

# ExCEL Activity Report Session 2020/2021

## **Youth Speak Forum 3.0**

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#### Justification in joining the activities

After successfully conducting 2 Virtual Youth Speak Forums in 2020, AIESEC in Johor Bahru was planning to conduct another Youth Speak Forum at the beginning of 2021 but this time as a physical event depending on the current MCO restrictions. However, due to continued COVID-19 restrictions, the entire event was forced to be conducted virtually. The primary goal of the Youth Speak Forum is to #ASPIREtoINSPIRE more young people to understand how they can contribute to SDGs and activate their role as the changemakers contributing to the people around them.

In September 2020, I applied to be part of the organizing committee of the event and after the recruitment process, I officially got accepted to be part of the organizing committee of the event although I was not an AIESECer part of AIESEC in Johor Bahru at the time. Then, we got started with our preparations for our event since October 2020 although the planned date for the event was on 2nd and 3rd January 2021. I was part of the speaker's team which consists of 2 members and one leader.

My role in YSF 3.0 as a member of the Speakers team was to identify relevant topics that engage the youth with the current global and local issues in relation to the SDGs as well as to collaborate with potential speakers who could deliver valued information regarding the topic to the delegates. After 3 months of intense preparation, we managed to gather about 100 delegates for Youth Speak Forum 3.0 where they got to attend various keynote sessions and workshops throughout the 2 days of the event.

#### Graduate Attributes focussed on

#### (a) Communication Skills

Throughout the preparation for the event, we had had numerous meetings and discussion sessions among the team members to make sure everyone are on track with the progress that's happening with the event preparations. Besides, this opportunity also gave me the chance to improve my communication skills as I need to present my ideas among the team also need to approach and manage our programme speakers who we have invited for the event.

### (b) Leadership and Teamworking Skills

The event actually helped me to brush up on my teamwork skills as I've got to work together with members of different departments working on different things related to the event. Thus, an excellent teamwork skill is vital to ensure all the member are in coordination with the event objective and be able to complete their respective tasks efficiently. Apart from that, Youth Speak Forum was also a platform for me to develop my leadership skills through the keynote sessions and workshops which I got to attend focussing on issues related to Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

### (c) Adaptability

The experience in Youth Speak Forum improves my adaptability skills as we got to shift our entire plan to conduct the event from a physical one to a virtual one. A drastic change happened within the organizing committee structure. Besides, there were several changes happening with the event agenda while requiring everyone in the team to be adaptable be able to make quick changes to their tasks to be able to deliver the desired output within the timeline of the event preparation.

#### (d) Enterprising Skills

Another Graduate Attributes this event contribute was the enterprising skills in terms of how we market our event to attract our potential event delegates. Thus, this skill is enabled by our extra efforts to understand the delegates' expectations coming into the event and how we could fulfill their expectations through our event content delivery. This will eventually help us to plan our programme move in a line and close to the participants as well as attract the participation of more people in the event.

#### **Content of the Activities**

On the 3 main themes for Youth Speak Forum to Empower, Engage & Commit there were several keynote sessions, capacity building workshops and panel discussion sessions about Leadership was conducted throughout the 2 days of the event. All the event contents were aligned to 3 main Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) which are SDG8: Decent Work and Economic Growth, SDG4: Quality Education & SDG14: Life Below Water. We the speaker's team manage to invite notable speakers and activists throughout Malaysia to deliver sessions during the event.

Day 1	2/1/2021 (Saturday)				
	Time		Session		
	09:00	09:15	Welcoming Note		
	09:15	9:30	Opening Speech		
	9:30	10:10	Keynote Speaker 1: Koh Wyhow (S) - SDG 4&8		
Empower	10:10	10:50	Keynote Speaker 2 : Jasmin (S) - SDG 13		
	10:50	11:30	Keynote Speaker 3 : Dato Wei (S) -SDG 8		
	11:30	11:45	Break		
	11:45	13:00	Panel Discussion: Andrew (S), Faizul (S), Prof. Durrishah (E)		
	13:00	14:00	Lunch + Prayer		
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	15:00	16:00	SDG 8 - Veronica Low (S)	SDG 13 - KAMY (E)	
	16:00	16:10	Break		
	16:00	17:00	Workshop 3 - Dyson (E)		
	17:00	17:30			
	17:30	18:00	Announcement + YSF Del	Announcement + YSF Debrief + Closing Plenary	

Agenda of Day 1 in Youth Speak Forum



Agenda of Day 2 in Youth Speak Forum