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**WEBINAR
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COVID-19 AND GLOBAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP

TAPPING INTO THE POTENTIAL OF
1.2 BILLION YOUNG PEOPLE

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According to the 2018 World Youth Report, 1.2 billion people are aged between 15-24 years and it is predicted that this number will grow by 7% by 2030. Youth are hardly 'the future': they are 'the now'.

Join us and the 17-year old founder of the world's most popular coronavirus-tracking site ncov2019.live, a Forbes 30 Under 30 Asia laureate, a 21 year old United Nations Green Ticket recipient, a 12-year old CEO, and many more at this exciting event.

This webinar is free-of-charge and open to all participants after registration on
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**14 May 2020 @ 4pm (Geneva time)/
10am (New York time)/ 7:30pm (Delhi time)**

THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2020

4pm (Geneva time)



Moderator: Alexander Taylor, President & Founder of Artem NexGen, Youth Ambassador of GCF
• Age: 21

1M2030 SPOTLIGHT SPEAKERS FROM 4:15 TO 5:00

Each young speaker will have 5 minutes to talk about a concrete project or idea they are working on in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic.



Madhavi Shankar, Forbes Asia 30 under 30, Co-Founder & CEO of SpaceBasic, Inc.
How SpaceBasic, a bootstrapped company is coping with COVID
• Age: 30



Collins Nnabugwu, Special Envoy Ambassador for the State of the African Diaspora
The African Diaspora's Response to Covid-19
• Age: 32



Burak Eren Taşkın, Lead Product Manager of Ecoriding to Nature, Student of BAU
#StayHomeForest campaign - using social media and drones for afforestation works during the pandemic



Megan Kobnitz, Nursing Honors Student at KSU
Lending a hand at the forefront of the fight against a global pandemic
• Age: 21



Petrider Paul, Commonwealth Point of Light Award Recipient, Member of the AU Youth Advisory Council
Insights from the Africa Youth Front on COVID-19
• Age: 26

ANALYSIS BY SENIOR EXPERTS FROM 5:00 TO 5:30

The experts will speak about the role of young people during the pandemic and analyse the talks of the youth speakers. This will be expanded during the Q&A session.



Mr. Sameer Chauhan, Director, UN International Computing Centre



Mr. Ademola Adesina, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Expert, AU Youth Division



Dr. Binbin Jiang, Executive Director of the Division of Global Affairs at Kennesaw State University, USA



Prof. Ahmet Aydemir, Psychologist & Professor of Business Administration, Bahçeşehir University, Turkey



Prof. Brendon Noble, Head of School - Life Sciences, University of Westminster, UK



4:00-4:05 – Welcome remarks
Dr. Beatrice Bressan, Executive Director of GCF



4:05-4:15 – Situational COVID-19 Overview
Mr. Alex Mejia, Director of the Division for People and Social Inclusion at UNITAR, Editor-in-Chief of UN Today Magazine

Samaira Mehta, Kid CEO, Youth Entrepreneur of the Year, Founder of CoderBunnyz
One Billion Kids Can Code - now more than ever
• Age: 12



Natasha Sichula, Founder of Her Empowerment Race Zone (HERZ)
Empowerment of menstruators during the pandemic
• Age: 21



Sebastian Story, Student at Florida International University
3D Printing Respirators for COVID-19 Relief
• Age: 20



Avi Schiffman, Founder of ncov2019.live, 1M2030 Tech Ambassador
Creation and evolution of the world's most popular coronavirus-tracking site www.ncov2019.live
• Age: 17



Q&A SESSION AND NEXT STEPS FROM 5:30-6:10

Youth speakers and senior experts will discuss concrete pathways towards leveraging the contribution of youth in the world's response to the pandemic. Questions from the audience will be addressed

6:10-6:15 – Closing remarks
Dr. Walter Christman, Founder, GCF

