



The Global Youth Letter on Climate Action

The Global Youth Letter on Climate Action was a global research exercise to garner the aims and aspirations of 8,000 young people, across 23 countries, about the future of their planet.

The aim was to give a platform to the unheard voice in the climate conversation: young people.

Their contributions were used to create a global call for action, directly addressing the leaders attending COP26 – the 26th UN Climate Change Conference, in Glasgow, November 2021. Read the [Global Youth Letter on Climate Action](#).

Vietnam's young people and the climate challenge

The following messages represent Vietnam's young people's contribution to the Global Youth Letter on Climate Action.

They were gathered from the [British Council's Next Generation research in Vietnam](#) and the [United Nations Development Programme Vietnam's Special Report 'Youth for Climate Action'](#) (2021).

Staying informed: we rely on social media for news and current affairs. We encourage decision-makers to utilise social media to engage with young people and to provide better internet access in rural areas to reach more young people. We need more access to information and opportunities through online platforms, mobile applications and other forms of media and technology.

Raising our voice: more than 50 per cent of us are concerned about a lack of opportunities and struggle to make our voices heard. We encourage government and business to create sustainable green job opportunities for young people. Community support: we feel we have greater agency at the community level, and more than 50

per cent of us feel supported by our communities on environmental issues. We need to empower youth to play an active role through volunteering and professional work, starting from a community level.

Our needs: we require better access to the relevant knowledge and skills for tackling climate change. We believe that climate lessons should be integrated into formal training programmes across all education levels and learning materials should be contextualised for specific communities and disadvantaged groups.

Our view on climate change: We consider climate change to be one of the largest and most unprecedented threats to the entire world. We believe that with more engagement to raise our awareness and mobilise us towards climate action, and a better understanding of the government's work in this area, our focused and co-ordinated efforts can be key to addressing this.

[Please click here to read the full Vietnam Youth Statement.](#)

If you agree with these demands, please [support the Global Youth Letter](#).