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MAIN GOALS OF THE CICA YOUTH COUNCIL

• To promote effective regional cooperation among national youth organizations of the CICA Member States

• To promote the development of civil culture and gender equality in order to implement the youth projects of the CICA

• To promote direct contacts and communication among youth organizations of the CICA Member States



International youth cooperation of the CICA Member States is based on the following principles:

- Democracy
- Respect for the rights and freedoms of the youth
- Equal opportunities for the youth of CICA Member States, regardless of nationality, social status, gender, language and religion

• To elaborate recommendations and proposals to improve the conditions for cooperation in the interest of the youth in CICA

• To develop plans/ programmes of cooperation among national youth organizations/ associations/ movements of the CICA Member States in sensitizing about democratic norms of behavior, developing attitude of gender equality, cultural exchange, sports and education

• To implement projects and hold events for the youth of the CICA Member States, including public campaigns, intergovernmental youth activities, discussion clubs, roundtables, youth forums and conferences



HISTORY

31 MARCH
2014

The CICA Youth Council was established by the SOC decision

10-13 AUGUST
2015

BEIJING, CHINA

First meeting

Discussions were focused on:

employment and entrepreneurship of youth, prevention youth from involving in violence, fundamental rights of youth, promotion of youth exchange and people-to-people bonds

21-22 JULY
2016

BISHKEK, KYRGYZSTAN

Second meeting

Discussions were focused on:

role of youth in security and prevention of extremism, youth cooperation in promotion of peace and stability

13-14 APRIL
2018

BAKU, AZERBAIJAN

Third meeting

Discussions were focused on:

role of youth in meeting the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, contribution of international events to the development of countries and role of youth



**18 JUNE
2021**

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN

Fourth meeting (online)

Discussions were focused on:

democratic principles and norms, gender equality among the youth, cultural exchange, joint research projects, academic mobility, modern challenges, including the pandemic

**13-14 JULY
2022**

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN

Fifth meeting (hybrid)

Discussions were focused on:

youth and student exchange programmes, countering youth radicalization, preventive measures against harmful behaviors, prioritizing youth development in national and regional development agendas

**12 OCTOBER
2023**

SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN

Sixth meeting

Discussions were focused on:

causes of youth radicalization: prevention and necessary actions, the role of the media in countering the radicalization of youth, organizing meaningful leisure time for youth in the context of countering the threats of terrorism

**2-3 QUARTER
2024**

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN

Seventh meeting

Youth Council meeting at the ministerial level and the Rally of Volunteer Movement Leaders under its auspices



STRUCTURE OF CICA YOUTH COUNCIL



The CICA Youth Council is comprised of two representatives nominated by each Member State

The representatives of the Member States nominated to the CICA Youth Council are:

● One representative of governmental agency

● One representative of public youth organizations or other organizations/associations engaged in the youth policy

● CICA Secretary General and a representative of CICA Secretariat shall be ex-officio members of the Youth Council

FUNCTIONING OF CICA YOUTH COUNCIL

Meetings of the CICA Youth Council shall be convened when necessary, but not less than once a year and shall have the necessary quorum when a majority of CICA Youth Council Member States is present

The CICA Youth Council may hold extraordinary meetings at the initiative of any Member State and with the consent of all other participating Member States

The venue and date of a regular meeting shall notified by the host country

Decisions of the Youth Council shall be made according to the rule of consensus and be recommendatory in nature

Expenses for business trips of the delegates to CICA Youth Council meetings shall be covered by the sending side

CHAIRPERSON OF THE CICA YOUTH COUNCIL



Representative of the current CICA Chair shall perform functions of the Chairperson of CICA Youth Council. Coordinator and Co-coordinator of CICA Human Dimension shall be co-Chairpersons of CICA Youth Council. The Chairperson shall work under the guidance of, and, in close coordination with Special Working Group and Senior Officials Committee of CICA.

WORKING LANGUAGES



The working languages of the CICA Youth Council are English and Russian.

The language of the official documents shall be English.

CHAIRPERSON OF THE CICA YOUTH COUNCIL SHALL EXERCISE THE FOLLOWING DUTIES WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE CICA SECRETARIAT

prepare draft agenda of meetings of
CICA Youth Council

organize meetings of CICA Youth
Council in coordination with the host
county and provide technical support
to such meetings

oversee the implementation of
decisions taken at the meetings of
CICA Youth Council

provide the Focal Points (National
Coordinators) of the CICA Youth
Council with the copies of
documents adopted at the meetings
of the CICA Youth Council

The Chairperson may invite representatives of the relevant government bodies of CICA Member States, and/or youth organizations/associations/movements, who are not the members of CICA Youth Council to participate as guests in the meetings of CICA Youth Council, subject to the approval of SOC.

SEVENTH MEETING OF THE CICA YOUTH COUNCIL AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL AND THE RALLY OF VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT LEADERS UNDER ITS AUSPICES



At the 6th CICA Summit in October 2022 President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev put forward an initiative to hold a Rally of Volunteer Movement Leaders of the CICA Countries in Astana in 2024.

It is expected that the President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev will attend the Plenary session of the Youth Council meeting.



DISCUSSIONS WILL BE FOCUSED ON:



Trends and innovations in volunteerism: discussing new approaches to volunteerism, leveraging modern technologies and online platforms to attract and coordinate volunteers, and advancing virtual volunteering in Asia



Social and inclusive volunteerism: discussing accessibility and equal opportunities for all, considering the needs of all groups in society

The role of the volunteer community in mitigating the impact of emergency situations: discussing opportunities and development of volunteerism during emergency situations: experience and prospects



Environmental challenges: volunteerism and biodiversity conservation. Discussing innovations, practices and the role of volunteerism in maintaining environmental balance

Social accountability: volunteering and its contribution to healthcare. Discussing the role of volunteers in healthcare delivery. Innovation and technology: modern approaches to volunteering in medicine



Enhancing the effectiveness of volunteer activities through innovative approaches: international experience and prospects for the development of intellectual volunteering

EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT FOR VOLUNTEERS AND PARTICIPANTS:



1



Leadership skills training: learning effective leadership skills will help participants to take initiative and carry out volunteer projects;

2



Communication skills training: participants will be able to learn how to communicate and interact effectively with other volunteers, collaborate on projects and engage with the community;

3



Workshop on the design and management of volunteer projects: participants will be able to learn the basics of designing volunteer programmes, from setting objectives to evaluating outcomes.

FOR MORE INFORMATION



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