

## Klagenfurt Leadership Declaration on Global Challenges, Youth and ICT



On World Environment Day 2014,

Aware of the utmost importance of United Nation (UN) system's emerging post2015 Sustainable Development Agenda for the wellbeing and intergenerational and international justice of present and future generations

Building on the Outcome document of World Conference on Youth 2014 (Colombo, Sri Lanka)

Recalling the '15/15/15 Rio+20 UN System and Civil Society Resource Mobilization Partnership' as presented by IAAI at UN Conference on Sustainable Development on 14 June 2012 in Rio de Janeiro and at 6th Session of UN Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals December 2013 in New York with its main message that "Everybody Can and Shall Contribute to Sustainable Development on Local and Global Level"



Recalling the outstanding youth engagement success of Rio+20 Global Youth Music Contest which started with a preparatory workshop and a conference at Maria Loretto Palace in Klagenfurt in September 2011

Having received the Call for Connectivity and ICT based Global Community building of West African Youth (IAAI Accra WS May 2014)

Aware of the abundance of availability of social, natural and financial capital in Carinthia/Austria/Alps-Adria region/Central Europe that can potentially be channeled towards high social impact investment for the benefit of all humanity *while impacting positively regional development here (formulation?)*,

Determined to strengthen the United Nations system through innovative multistakeholder action and youth engagement

Declare our support for the plan of IAAI and its local, national and international private and public partners to establish in Klagenfurt at Lake Wörthersee in Austria a

"Global Youth Hub on Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) and Innovation for Sustainable development"

which aims to develop into a leading global competence and resource center for fostering action oriented civic engagement and social entrepreneurship of young people in post2015 Sustainable Development Agenda by

- building through research and ICT tools and infrastructure development (Global Challenges Actionpedia) the evidence base for the high global and local added value of youth engagement in post2015 sustainable development agenda and connecting (young) micro social entrepreneurs with innovative public and private sources of funding
- providing capacity building for global youth leaders in the fields of ICT, governance and innovation
- establishing a global network of Global Challenges Youth and ICT Centers,
- organizing competitions (like e.g. Global Youth Music Contest and Global Challenges World Cup)
- promote free access to knowledge

We declare our personal commitment to support above stated initiatives and we call on public and private institutional stakeholders and global citizens to contribute intellectual and financial resources as well as social energy to help this initiative to develop its huge potentials.

*Individual signatories , Klagenfurt am Wörthersee /Austria 5 June 2014*

The document will be sent to envisaged partners for endorsement: City of Klagenfurt, Regional Government of Carinthia, ministries, UN agencies (UN Habitat, ITU, UNIDO, UNESCO, UN Volunteers,...), Youth networks, ... and shall serve as an argument in fundraising efforts in Carinthia, in EU, The Giving Pledge, Crowdfunding platforms, etc.