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# Youth Engagement Community of Practice (CoP) Co-Champions



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### **About Youth Engagement CoP**

We promote Positive Youth Development (PYD) approach to advance outcomes in youth programming through:

Creating a

member-led

collaborative space

to share ideas about

resources and

knowledge on youth

engagement

Promoting

peer-to-peer

experience sharing

of best practices and

existing resources

Murture a

member-led

technical network

within the community
offering practical tips
to challenges faced by
members





# Why we are here today...

To learn about the positive youth development (PYD) components that builds up to the Global LEAD Framework

To learn how to apply the Global LEAD framework in designing youth programs

To identify the roles we can play as youth programmers in adapting the framework within our programs





# Part 1: Global LEAD Toolkit & Framework





#### Global LEAD





# Global LEAD Initiative

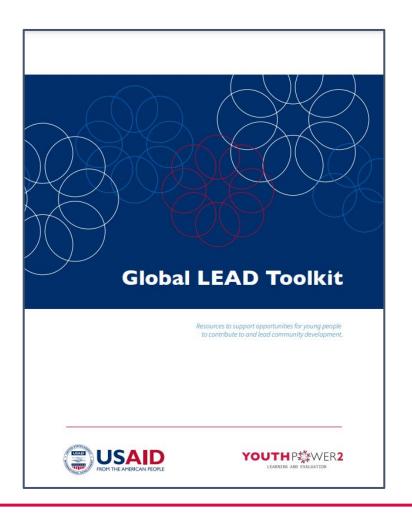
Activating and Supporting the Collective Impact of One Million Young Changemakers

Global Leadership and Education for Advancing Development (Global LEAD) is USAID's initiative to partner with young people and meet development objectives and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through enhanced education, civic/political engagement, and leadership opportunities across sectors





#### Global LEAD Toolkit



- Consolidates resources, templates and links to useful reports, guides, and other toolkits across youth programming sectors
- Targets USAID staff, implementing partners and young changemakers as they plan and design new activities, measure project performance, and coordinate communications





#### Global LEAD Framework



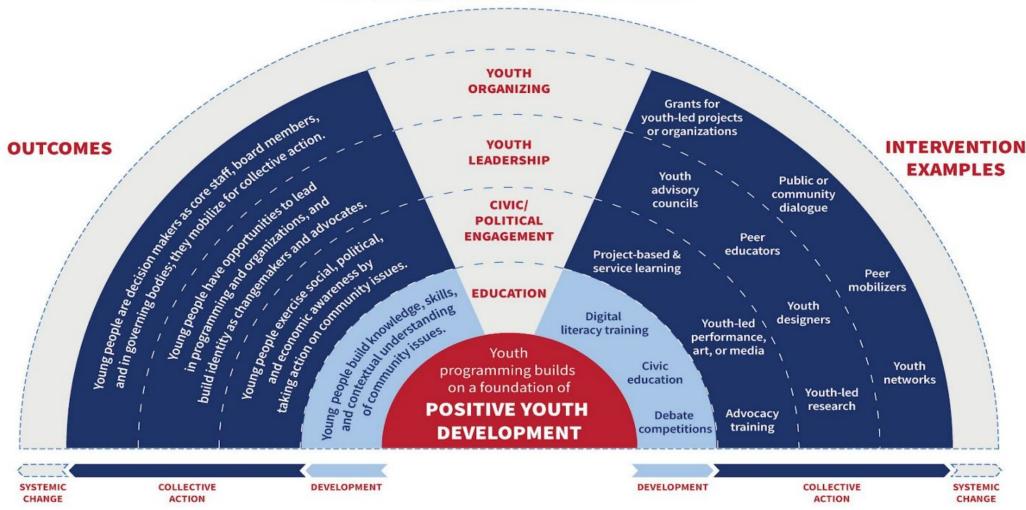
Programs that help position young people as partners in development can include a range of approaches with different intervention models that contribute to positive outcomes, such as:

- Education
- Civic/Political Engagement
- Youth Leadership
- Youth Organizing





# Global LEAD Framework for programs across sectors







# Part 2: Applying the Global LEAD Framework





#### **Maria Malomalo**

Maria Malomalo is a pan African feminist who is passionate about Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights. She is the Founder and Director of Mwana Pwo (meaning girl child in the native Tchokwe language), an Angolan organisation whose mission is to promote and protect the sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) of girls and young women through evidence based interventions. She has led research in Angola on Adolescent Sexual Behaviour, sexual exploitation in mining communities, child marriage and HIV/AIDS among young people.



Founder & Director Mwana Pwo, Angola





#### **Oscar Kimaro**

Oscar Kimaro is a Youth Development Expert with passion and strong background in policy advocacy and youth programming. He has over 8 years of experience in designing and implementing youth programmes as well as running impactful youth-led campaigns such as #StandWithEva and Ending Child Marriage Campaign. He has worked in the areas of youth policies and advocacy to mobilize and engage youth in taking active roles to address challenges they face through designing and implementing youth-led action research, forming networks as well as engaging in accountability dialogues with decision makers at local and national levels.



Policy Advocacy Manager Save the Children, Tanzania





# **Breakout** rooms

#### Room I:

Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Maria
Maloma

#### Room 2:

Policy and Advocacy, Oscar Kimaro



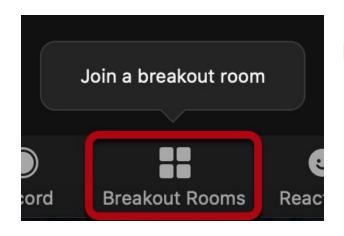
#### 25 minutes for breakout rooms

- 10 minutes presentation
- 15 minutes discussion, questions





#### **Selecting Your Zoom Room**



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- Click Breakout Rooms in your meeting controls at the bottom of your screen. It looks like four boxes and will show the breakout rooms.
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#### **Breakout Questions**

- How does youth leadership show up in your work?
- How can the framework be adapted for program design and implementation?
- How can this framework help to engage youth and stakeholders, especially in Health (Room I) and Advocacy (Room 2)?





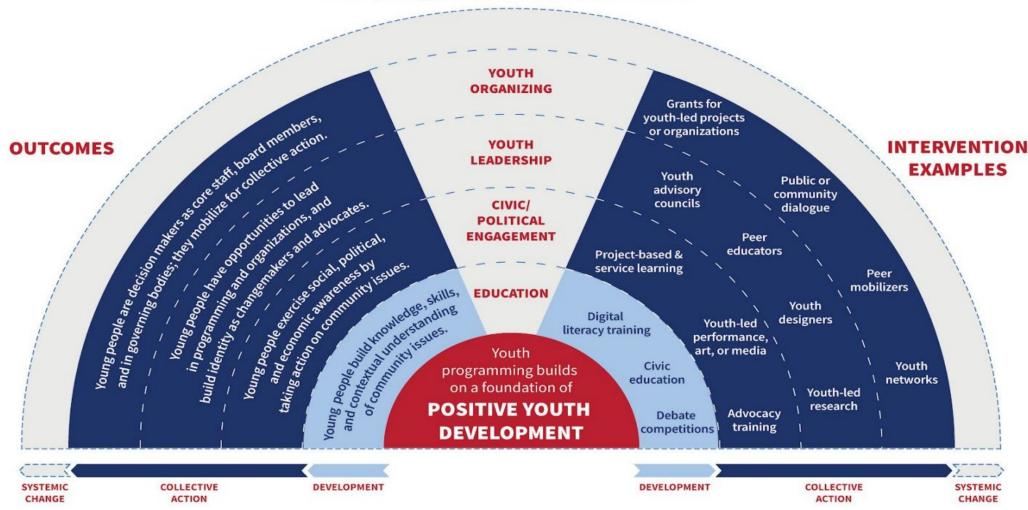


# Breakout Room I: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights





# Global LEAD Framework for programs across sectors







# Adapting the Global LEAD Framework in SRHR

Project: My Voice my Rights

Funder: European Union

Area of Focus: Family Planning during emergencies and

disasters

Young leaders: Young women and girls who underwent leadership training under Brilha! (Shine)





## STAGE: DEVELOPMENT

## Education

Training on SRHR, advocacy and leadership



Increased knowledge on SRHR and leadership

Baseline Study in targeted communities



Improved knowledge of the problem and sustainable intervention strategies





# STAGE: COLLECTIVE ACTION

# Civic or Political engagement

Advocacy training on SRHR



Young people are equipped with the necessary skills to actively participate in their communities





# STAGE: COLLECTIVE ACTION

# Youth Leadership

Encouraging and accompanying young people to seek family planning services from hospitals (mobilizers)



Young people lead interventions

Educating peers on family planning



Young people as changemakers





## STAGE: COLLECTIVE ACTION

# Youth Organizing

Built a network of community leaders



Young women are involved in the board of directors, employees and volunteers

Young people engaged in public and community dialogue



Young people organize for collective action





# STAGE: SYSTEMIC CHANGE

Increased number of young people using family planning services

Increased access to youth friendly services





## Is it practical? YES!

- Young people are at the forefront of designing, implementing and evaluating projects
- Education is the base of the framework
- Using the framework allows for design of sustainable projects





#### Points for reflection...

- How do we include intersectionality in youth projects development?
- How do we ensure the recognition and involvement of sexual and gender minorities in youth development projects?
- What does the context tell us? What are the challenges and opportunities?
- How do we ensure sustainability of our projects and youth groups?





#### **Breakout Room 2:**

Policy and Advocacy





# Why youth-focused and youth integrated programming?

- Youth are the majority and are disproportionately affected: we are the majority but we are faced by generational and prioritisation gap
- Youth are excluded in decision making platforms
- Leave no youth behind: We know who we are and what we face, we are in it all together, and we should be at the table
- It matters when we are part of the solution: We have voice and agency, and the outcomes of choices lives with us

Youth as partners of development





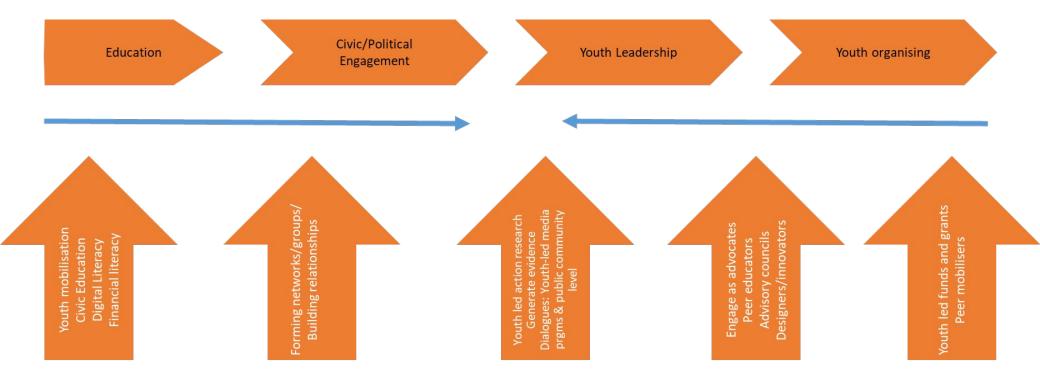
#### What do we know?

- Information gap due to digital divide and lack of digital literacy (options, monitoring, holding decision makers into account to honor their commitments. Youth do not always know what is planned but affects youth.
- Youth are oftentimes the most literate among all other generations
- Youth are the leaders of today: If we can make decisions to vote in leaders that means we can lead





#### How does this relate to the Global LEAD framework?



Youth-driven establishing baseline; Building Trust; Income Generation Needs; Communications & Feedback Mechanisms trusted by young people; Building agency (recognised coalitions)





# Part 3: Reflections





#### Reflections



What is your reaction to the Global LEAD Framework?

How will you adjust your work based on what you heard about today?





## Next steps & Wrap up





# How to engage with our Community of Practice

- Get involved as a speaker or panelist in any of the upcoming CoP webinars and events
- Share your expertise from your program in small working groups
- Joining discussion groups with other members to review literature on Youth Engagement
- Attending and participating in the quarterly webinars

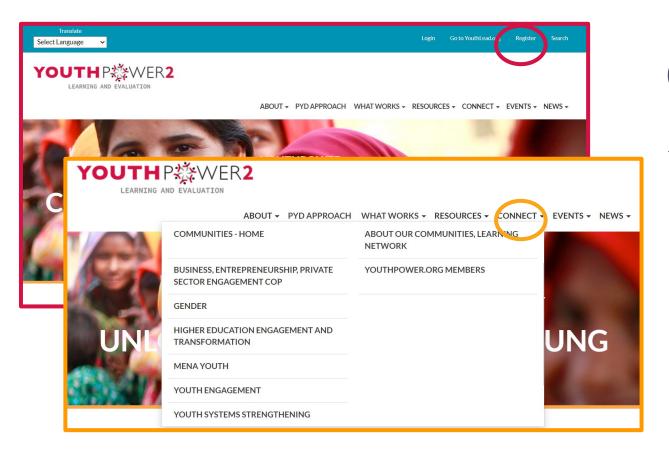
#### Interested?

Contact our CoP Champions <u>farida@restlessdevelopment.org</u> or <u>cnetondo@gmail.com</u>





## Joining Youth Power 2: Learning & Evaluation





Register on YouthPower.org



Connect with others through the CoP pages, discussion groups, and future events





#### **Upcoming YP2LE Events**

Find details and register on the YouthPower.org Events page



Wednesday, April 20: Youth Engagement in Breaking Gender Stereotypes: Experiences from Tunisia (Middle East and North Africa Youth CoP)

**Thursday, April 21:** Climate Change and Higher Ed: Education Outcomes and the Roles of Universities (Higher Education Engagement and Transformation CoP)

**Thursday, April 28:** Localizing Labor Market Assessments: Process not Product (Business, Entrepreneurship, and Private Sector Engagement CoP)





## What do you want to see next?

When sending the webinar materials, watch for a poll to get your input about the next CoP webinar topic!







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