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Call for Applicants

Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme
June 25– July 14, 2018 onboard Peace Boat's 98th Global Voyage

Project Description: The Ocean Pathway to New York

After the success of the first edition, Peace Boat is pleased to announce the second edition of the Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme. Peace Boat will invite a group of people from the Pacific Ocean, Indian Ocean and Caribbean to travel from Stockholm (Sweden) to New York (United States) with stops and activities in Copenhagen (Denmark), Bergen (Norway), Reykjavik (Iceland) and Halifax (Canada).

The goal of the programme is to bring youth leaders from states on the front line of climate change and marine degradation to travel onboard Peace Boat's ship, engaging in capacity building and bringing their message to citizens and government representatives through the voyage. The program will highlight SDG13 (Climate Action) and SDG14 (Life Below Water) as part of Peace Boat's commitment to the Ocean Pathway Partnership. A COP23 Presidency ocean initiative, the Ocean Pathway embodies the important relationship between the Ocean and Climate Change. Fiji and Sweden co-chaired the first UN Ocean Conference in June 2017 and the Call for Action underlined the urgency for a healthy ocean and the critical relationship between the ocean and climate.

The programme will start in Sweden, a country who has demonstrated a strong leadership in climate action. Sweden was one of the main organizers of the Ocean Conference last year and, with Fiji, they are leading the Ocean Pathway. The programme will conclude in New York where the group will report their experience the United Nations community.

Description of tasks

Under the overall coordination of Peace Boat, the Youth Ambassadors will undertake the following:

- Create a community/network of youth from the Pacific Ocean, sharing similar concerns and challenges.
 - Share experiences and best practices and develop their capacity as leaders in their communities.
 - Increase awareness in countries visited with Peace Boat of the challenges faced by Small Island States, and the efforts made by local youth and communities to take action to mitigate climate change and ocean degradation.
 - Interact on both a formal and informal basis with other participants onboard Peace Boat.
 - Share their community's culture, heritage and way of life with people they meet to increase awareness of both the role of the ocean and the importance of protecting island states.
- *Contribute articles and other pieces of work including videos and photographs about the programme to be shared publicly and used in media including Peace Boat websites, publications, social media, newsletters, press releases, etc.

Outcomes

This programme will highlight the stories and experiences of young people at the forefront of injustices brought about by climate change, amplifying their voices calling for action. Press conferences, public events and meetings with government representatives will be organized in the different countries that the youth will visit with Peace Boat. The ambassadors will be given the opportunity to present their experiences to different media to amplify their message. They also will use their own social media channels to outline the programme and conclusions. After the voyage, participants will use the experience and knowledge gained to contribute to their communities and internationally, organizing different events with young people to pass the message and keep raising awareness.

Requirements for Applicants:

- *Relevant experience in climate change and/or ocean health
- *Relevant experience of organizing and campaigning.
- *Fluency in English, both spoken and written.
- *Good interpersonal skills in relationships with partners: government authorities, UN agencies, NGOs, and others.
- *Priority given to those with experience in creative media such as film, photography, arts and poetry.
- *Core competencies: communication, alliance-building, and drive for results

The selected candidates must be from a country which is a member of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS). They must be between 18 and 29 years old and be available for the full entirety of the programme.

Expenses

Expenses covered by Peace Boat

- Accommodation in shared cabins onboard the ship for the duration of the voyage including meals
- Port charges
- Tips while onboard
- Accommodation in Stockholm and New York
- Expenses related to programmes in ports including transport to in-port activities where necessary

Expenses covered by Participant

- Travel to and from the participant's place of residence and Peace Boat's vessel
- Travel insurance for the duration that the participant is away from home
- Personal expenses while onboard including laundry and internet
- Personal expenses while in ports including meals
- Visas required for the programme (Schengen and United States)
- Expenses incurred to obtain necessary visas (transportation, postage, etc.)

How to Apply

Please submit to pbglobal@peaceboat.gr.jp or media@ecoship-pb.com with the title "The Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme" by April 15, 2018 the following:

- 1) CV/Resume detailing relevant work and life experience.
- 2) Cover Letter including why you wish to participate in this project, how will you will specifically contribute to the programme and how the experience will be used in the future.
- 3) A description of a workshop or seminar of 90 minutes you will facilitate for your fellow participants. Onboard capacity training will draw on the experiences, skills and knowledge of participants themselves and each participant will prepare before at least one session that they will lead during the time onboard.
- 4) A link to 1 minute video posted online (Youtube, Vimeo etc) answering this question:
What are you doing to address the problems related to climate change and ocean degradation?

Applicants are advised to make the link private and send a password with the link to the selection committee.

Applicants are also requested to answer the questions in the following google form:
<https://goo.gl/forms/HPLDPiz7Gv8y9l1G3>.

The selection committee will evaluate the application materials based on the "eligibility" to be laid out in the call for participants. Skype/phone interviews will be conducted.