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# Call for Applicants

## Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme

September 21– October 16 2017 onboard Peace Boat's 95<sup>th</sup> Global Voyage

### Project Description

Peace Boat's "Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme" will bring youth leaders from Small Island 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. Peace Boat is seeking youth active in their communities on issues relating to ocean welfare and/or climate action, who can share their message through various means of expression. The youth will embark upon the 95<sup>th</sup> Voyage in Europe in September 2017. There, they will connect with civil society organizations and government agencies in ports visited, including Spain, France, the United Kingdom and Iceland. Their voyage will end as Peace Boat docks in New York in October 2017, where the youth ambassadors will report on their efforts to both the United Nations community and the broader public. This will be a highlight of the events held in New York for the 95<sup>th</sup> Voyage.

### Description of tasks

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

- Create a community / network of youth from geographically distant islands, 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.
- Make a Youth Call to Action for concrete action on 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 reflecting about their experience, to be 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. The programme will result in a “Youth Call for Action”, which will be distributed widely.

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.

During the program, a videographer will accompany the group to film a documentary.. This informative piece will gather the testimonies of the young people, and their experiences both onboard Peace Boat and in the countries visited. It will explain their personal stories, and what they learn through interaction with each other and the people they meet. The result will be a documentary of approximately 20 minutes that will be presented at COP23 and be available online for wide dissemination for awareness raising and education.



## 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 output - including through creative means such as arts, film, photography, poetry etc
- Core competencies: communication, alliance-building, and drive for results

*The selected candidate must be from one of the AOSIS countries aged, between 18 and 29 years old and be available for the full entirety of the programme..*

## Expenses

### Expenses covered by Peace Boat

- Flights to and from the participant's place of residence and Peace Boat's vessel
- Accommodation in shared cabins onboard the ship for the duration of the voyage including meals
- Port charges
- Tips while onboard
- Hotel in Barcelona and New York
- Expenses related to programmes in ports including transport where necessary

### Expenses covered by Participant

- Travel insurance for the duration that the participant is away from home
- Personal expenses while onboard including laundry, internet
- Personal expenses while in ports including meals

## How to Apply

Applicants are asked to submit:

- CV/Resume detailing relevant work and life experience
- Letter including why you wish to participate in this project, how will you will contribute and how the experience will be used in the future.

Please include any references to online work, videos, media that is relevant to the position.

Please submit to [pbglobal@peaceboat.gr.jp](mailto:pbglobal@peaceboat.gr.jp) with the title "Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme" by **July 24, 2017**.