



One Young World
2024 Summit Report

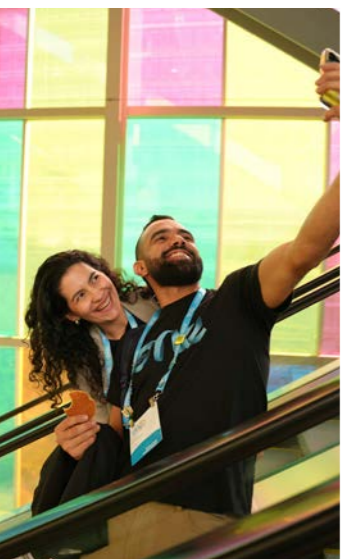
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Our mission is to
create a world where
leaders with integrity
are empowered to
**build a fair,
sustainable future
for all.**

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Introduction

One Young World is proud to have brought its Summit to Montréal/Tiohtià:ke in 2024.

The Summit brought together more than 2,500 attendees from over 190 countries to deal with some of the most pressing issues of our age. These included topics around elevating Indigenous Voices, the Climate and Ecological Crisis, Artificial Intelligence, Health Equality, and Peace.

All live content was streamed and is available on demand after the Summit, making it a truly historic and unforgettable experience for all.

2,500

In-person Attendees

25

Delegate Speakers

126

Partner Organisations who sent Delegates

156

Young Leaders Who Spoke on Stage

241

Presentation and Interactive Stage Speakers

63

Workshops including one Spanish speaking workshop

“In a divisive world, the One Young World Community is a rarity: an informed, compassionate group of young people, coming together to build a better future. Its Delegates are an unstoppable global network, fueled by the knowledge that their actions truly matter. It’s impossible to be cynical in their presence.”

- Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan



Delegate Feedback

The data is based on initial survey responses of 336 Delegates who attended the One Young World Summit Montréal/Tiohtià:ke, 2024 in person.

"I particularly enjoyed the level of high-quality choice that the Summit offered. With five plenary themes being highlighted, there were Delegates in attendance representing a vast array of industries and fields. The amount of choice that we had in how we learned ensured that everyone got the most out of the Summit."

- One Young World 2024 Delegate

96.9%

of Delegates reported that the Summit gave them a platform to discuss their work with potential collaborators or like-minded people

99%

of corporate Delegates were motivated by the Summit to generate impact as employees of their company

96.3%

of Scholars reported that the Summit improved their capacity for leadership

98.5%

of Delegates made promising connections with their fellow Delegates during the Summit

94.1%

of Delegates reported that the Summit assisted their professional development

4.64/5

average Delegate rating of the One Young World Summit 2024 Montréal/Tiohtià:ke



Scholarships

Since 2010, One Young World has worked to guarantee that young people from every country are represented at OYW Summits, regardless of their ability to pay. To ensure this, fully-funded scholarship places are awarded to outstanding young leaders with a range of backgrounds, skill sets and nationalities.

The One Young World Summit is a transformational experience for scholars; accelerating their leadership development, exposing them to innovative solutions they can implement in their own initiatives, and providing them with an unparalleled international network of potential collaborators.

These scholarships are delivered in partnership with global corporations, governments, and civil society. In addition to bringing employees to the Summit, companies will integrate external scholars into the Summit as part of their internal delegations.

It is these young leaders who work outside of big businesses that are critical in making progress on the issues that matter to organisations the most. Whether it's increasing the quality of education, improving financial literacy, expanding healthcare access, or reducing carbon emissions - there is no better way to solve strategic organisational challenges whilst also developing employees, than by connecting talent from around the world. Scholars are often paired with employees in a 'buddy' system that fosters enhanced collaboration to tackle challenges collectively from different perspectives.



74,847
Scholarship applications received



554
Scholarships awarded

47
Partners who supported Scholars

2024 Scholars - Case Studies



Jahnobi Rahman - Bangladesh Supported by the **Z Zurich Foundation**

Jahnobi Rahman is the Chief Executive Officer of Relaxy limited. Having experienced severe anxiety herself, she sought to change the lack of self care services for people with personal struggles and broaden the conversation around mental health in Bangladesh by creating the Relaxy app.

Relaxy is a data-driven mental health platform that offers free access to a supportive community and mood-tracking tools. By logging in, uploading your mood, and setting a topic of conversation, Relaxy provides personalised self-care spaces and access to mental well-being services. By subscribing to Relaxy Pro, users are also offered unlimited direct access to counsellors and cognitive-behavioural therapy at rates far cheaper than in-person alternatives. Relaxy makes it possible for everyone to get the help they need, anytime, anywhere.

To date, over 80 thousand people have downloaded the Relaxy app. They have helped improve the emotional well-being of over 70 thousand users, transforming 66 per cent of the negative emotions logged on the app into positive ones, and have received 1.8 thousand testimonials. Of these, they are known to have saved 12 lives.



Babatunde Adewumi - Nigeria Supported by **AstraZeneca's Young Health Programme**

After the loss of his mentor to late-diagnosed cervical cancer, Babatunde saw the devastating impacts that poor education and awareness, financial difficulty, and gender inequalities can have on cancer prognosis for women in Nigeria, where 8,000 women die from cervical cancer annually. This realisation informed his decision to create Quinta Health in 2017 to bridge the gender health gap for women living in underserved communities in Nigeria.

Quinta Health is made up of 66 dedicated volunteers who, partnered with state governments and NGOs, are working to establish permanent cervical and breast screening centres with trained nurses and community mobilisers. So far, they have established 60 permanent cervical and breast screening centres across three Nigerian States, training 180 nurses and 249 community mobilisers. Their most notable network is in Gombe, where 11 centres have conducted over 10,000 cervical screenings.

Quinta Health's core touring team has screened 8,600 women for breast and cervical cancer, provided treatment for 787 with cervical dysplasia, as well as administered 500 doses of the HPV vaccine to date. Their work continues to tackle cultural bias and gender inequality in healthcare systems and ensures that no woman is lost to preventable cervical cancer.



Royale Anne Kodio - Mali Supported by the **Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs** and **Orange Corners**

Whilst on a school trip to a rural village called Nianfala, Royale witnessed the challenges girls in the village were facing due to period poverty. Without money to afford underwear and no access to safe sanitary products, the girls were forced to stay home from school during the week of their period. They resorted to dangerous and unsafe sanitary techniques to manage them.

Royale was inspired to find a solution and left her job in 2023 to found So'Intim, a social enterprise tackling period poverty and environmental impact through reusable menstrual panties. So'Intim employs young women from underserved communities to create reusable, eco-friendly period panties from locally sourced cotton that can last for up to three years. The profits from online sales go towards making and distributing menstrual hygiene kits for women and girls in rural communities who are living in period poverty. Workshops are also conducted in these communities to educate women and girls on healthy practices to manage their periods with confidence and to reduce absenteeism in schools from period-related absence.

So far, So'Intim has disseminated 122 menstrual hygiene kits, enabling 122 girls to stay in school absent-free, and has conducted four workshops to 217 girls and women to combat the stigma of talking about periods and menstrual hygiene. They have also employed eight young women in full time jobs. So'Intim's reusable panties have stopped an estimated 50,000 disposable sanitary pads from entering landfills, saving 700kg of waste to-date.



Lead2030

Each year, One Young World runs our flagship grant-funding programme, Lead2030. Lead2030 is a global initiative that supports young leaders and entrepreneurs working to achieve the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by providing them with the critical financial support and mentorship required to scale their solutions.

Since 2019, Lead2030 has provided \$2.9 million in funding to 57 extraordinary young entrepreneurs tackling complex global challenges with their initiatives.

2024 Lead2030 Partners





Send-Off Events

Arranged by the Coordinating and Managing Ambassadors, One Young World organised 28 send-off events around the world to prepare Delegates for their Summit experience and connect them with other young leaders attending the Summit from their respective countries. These send-off events were hosted in 19 countries, and of the 28 Summit send-off events, 18 were in-person events.

Pre-Summit Global Leadership Programme

The Global Leadership Programme is designed to provide Delegates with enhanced and comprehensive leadership skills and principles, alongside expertise around the year's plenary themes. Delegates have the opportunity to find out what to expect from the Summit, how to prepare, and the chance to connect with their peers.

The One Young World Leadership Charter is made up of seven Leadership Principles. Drawing on deep-rooted wisdom from across the world, this Charter stands as a testament to our belief that humanity shares values that resonate across cultures, transcend political barriers, and drive our desire to build a fair and sustainable world, for the benefit of all.

The Global Leadership Programme comprised of a seven-part digital series which was held over the six months leading up to the Summit. Each session included a keynote lecture from an esteemed Counsellor, each recognised as an expert in the Leadership Charters' principles; as well as a presentation from a One Young World Ambassador on how they successfully embed the principles in their work.



Fortitude, April 30

Speakers:

Lord Michael Hastings - Member of the House of Lords, United Kingdom
Michael Showunmi - One Young World Ambassador; Raising Star Africa
Bana Itani - One Young World Ambassador; Be Brave Beirut



Kuleana, May 29

Speakers:

Michael Møller - Former Under-Secretary General, United Nations
Funke Adeoye - One Young World Ambassador; Hope Behind Bars Africa
Hon. Senator Isalean Philip - One Young World Ambassador; Saint Kitts and Nevis Politician from the Saint Kitts and Nevis Labour Party



Qian, June 27

Speakers:

Mark Tewksbury - Vice President, Canadian Olympic Committee
Phyllis Kyomuhendo - One Young World Ambassador; Co-Founder, M-Scan Uganda
Isaac Olufadewa - One Young World Ambassador; Slum and Rural Health Initiative Network



Ubuntu, July 17

Speakers:

Professor Thuli Madonsela - Director of the Centre for Social Justice, Stellenbosch University; Founder, the Thuma Foundation for Democracy Leadership and Literacy
Aashraya Seth - One Young World Ambassador; Founder, Impact91
Jenifer Colpas - One Young World Ambassador; Co-Founder, Tierra Grata



Satya, August 7

Speakers:

Angela Williams - President and CEO, United Way Worldwide
Trang Chu Minh - One Young World Ambassador; Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Communications, GIC
Elizabeth Njambi - One Young World Ambassador; Founder and CEO, Waliki.sha



Ihsan, August 27

Speakers:

Hasina Safi - Former Minister of Women's Affairs, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
Yi Jun Mock - One Young World Ambassador / Co-Founder and President of Advisory Singapore
Rufaro Mudimu - One Young World Ambassador / Founder and Lead Consultant, Tafara Advisory



The Seventh Generation Principle, September 9

Speakers:

Kimberly Teehee - Delegate-designate to US House of Representatives for Cherokee Nation; Senior Vice President of Government Relations, Cherokee Nation Businesses



Indigenous Youth Day

One Young World hosted our inaugural pre-Summit Indigenous Youth Day, for young Indigenous and First Nations leaders attending the Summit. We developed this event in collaboration with the One Young World Indigenous Council, and it brought together Delegates from over 60 Indigenous communities from 30+ countries.

Over the course of the day, attendees participated in panel discussions and workshops covering topics including Environmental Stewardship and Climate Change, Culture and Language, Intergenerational Trauma, and Land, Water and Ocean Rights. Speakers included **Regional Chief Joanna Bernard, Senator Michèle Audette, Kimberly Teehee, and Hana-Rawhiti Maipi-Clarke.**



Panel with Senator Michèle Audette



Members of the Indigenous Council



Māori performance

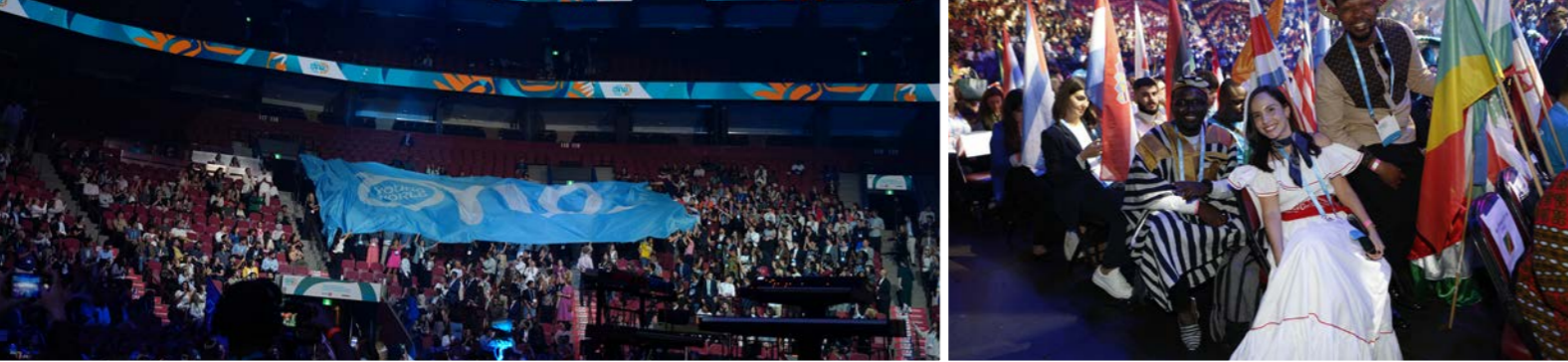


Workshop



Breakout session





The Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony was hosted at the Bell Centre, the largest ice hockey arena in the world and the home of the Montréal Canadiens of the National Hockey League. We welcomed Counsellors, Delegates and special guests to an evening of sensational entertainment, as well as keynote speeches from renowned leaders.

Hosted by long term One Young World Counsellor **Mark Tewksbury** and television and radio host **Isabelle Racicot**, this year's Opening Ceremony showcased young Canadian-based talent from across the creative and artistic industries. Highlights included performances by **Notorious Cree**, **Rupi Kaur**, **Carpe Diem**, **Alexander Stewart**, and **Clay and Friends**.

Speakers included **Ka'nahsohon Kevin Deer**, Director, Indigenous Knowledge Quality Learning and Teaching Excellence, First Nations Technical Institute, **Van Zorbas**, Chief Culture and People Officer, Deloitte Canada, and **Grégoire Baillargeon**, President of BMO Quebec and Vice Chair, BMO Capital Markets. The Opening Ceremony keynotes were delivered by **Margaret Atwood**, **David Suzuki**, and **Sir Bob Geldof**.

The Flag Ceremony brought together Delegates from all over the world, highlighting the global scale and impact of the Summit.



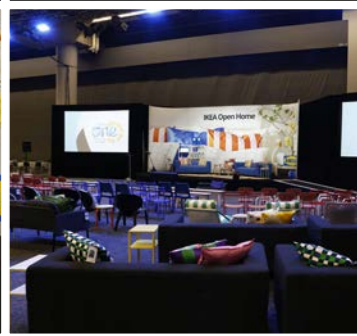
Keynote Speakers



Counsellors



Flag Ceremony



Deloitte

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Deloitte engages with One Young World each year locally and globally to design and deliver an integrated programme strategy. Since 2022, Deloitte has sponsored the Opening Ceremony as a core element of the partnership. This enables Deloitte to share their message with the One Young World audience and create large scale brand awareness and association in the host city.

In 2024, Deloitte also partnered with One Young World to implement a city branding opportunity to spotlight three of their attending Delegates.

Deloitte works to ensure global representation at One Young World, sending 70 Delegates from across participating offices as well as through Lead2030 grant funding.

IKEA



IKEA's partnership extends beyond a stage sponsorship. In addition to a delegation of 17 in 2024, IKEA sponsored the IKEA Open Home stage and donated an interactive stage session to raise the voices of Indigenous young leaders.

IKEA has also partnered with One Young World since 2022 to offer additional value and experience for event attendees by building lounge spaces, providing comfortable stage furniture and offering additional services like a nursing room and phone charging facilities.

All IKEA furniture is donated post-Summit to not-for-profit organisations in the Host City.

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Presentation Stage

There were more than 50 Presentation Stage sessions over the course of the Summit. These included keynote speeches, fireside chats, and panel discussions addressing some of the biggest global challenges. These sessions were delivered by Counsellors, guest speakers, Delegates and Ambassadors.

Highlights included:

- Fireside session on how humanity can make AI a force for good with the Prime Minister of Canada, **Justin Trudeau** and Founder and Scientific Director of Mila, **Professor Yoshua Bengio**.
- Panel discussion between **Maria Ressa**, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Co-Founder and CEO of Rappler, and **Takkawol Karman**, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Human Rights Activist, Journalist, Politician and Founder of Women Journalists Without Chains, titled *Fratelli Tutti/Peace is Possible - Engaging Young Leaders in a Global Movement for Peace*.
- Fireside session with Oscar winning actress, **Cher**, and the foremost primatologist of the last century **Dame Jane Goodall** - chaired by **John Simpson**, World Affairs Editor at the BBC.
- A special Keynote from **Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan** on how young peacebuilders can be supported to deliver lasting peace.

“I thoroughly enjoyed the diverse range of speakers and panel discussions that highlighted key global issues and innovative solutions from young leaders. The opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals from various cultural and professional backgrounds was invaluable. The sessions on climate action, social entrepreneurship, and global equity were particularly impactful. I left the Summit feeling inspired and motivated to implement the new ideas and collaborations fostered at the event.”

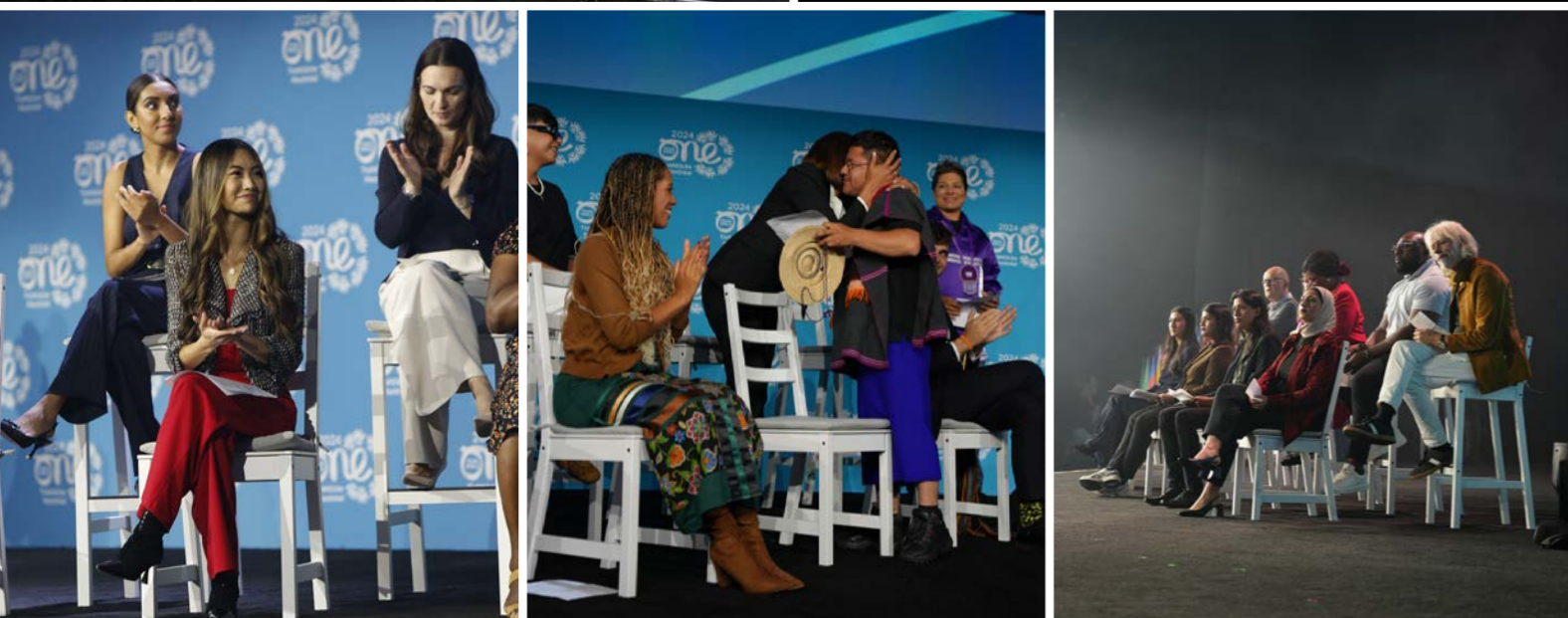
- One Young World 2024 Delegate

One Young World’s Indigenous Strategy

One Young World is committed to empowering young people from diverse backgrounds and cultures to become agents of positive change in their communities. We recognise the importance of partnering with, engaging, and supporting Indigenous and First Nations young people worldwide, and empowering First Nations and Indigenous youth was a strategic priority at the Summit in Montréal/Tiohtià:ke. To read our Indigenous Strategy in full, please click [here](#).

Alongside hosting our inaugural Indigenous Youth Day, we platformed Indigenous voices throughout the Summit, and facilitated various discussions bringing Indigenous perspectives to the forefront.

In this respect, we acknowledge that the Summit took place within the traditional unceded lands of the Kanien’kehá:ka peoples, part of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. Tiohtià:ke, or Montréal, has long been, and continues to be, a gathering place for many First Nations Peoples from all directions, and we thank the traditional custodians of this land for having us as visitors.



Plenary Challenges

The agenda for young leaders by young leaders

Each year, we select Delegate Speakers to speak on our plenary challenge topics, sharing their stories and extraordinary impact with their fellow Delegates. Each plenary challenge was introduced by a globally recognised figure.

Each Delegate Speaker was given a personal introduction by a One Young World Counsellor. This year, the Keynotes were given by:

- For the Indigenous Voices Plenary: **Senator Michèle Audette**, Senior Advisor for Reconciliation and Indigenous Education, Laval University
- For The Climate and Ecological Crisis Plenary: **Professor Johan Rockström**, Director, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research and Professor in Earth System Science, University of Potsdam
- For the Health Equality Plenary: **President Laura Chinchilla**, Former President of the Republic of Costa Rica
- For the Peace Plenary: **Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan**
- For the AI Plenary: **Prime Minister Justin Trudeau** and **Professor Yoshua Bengio**

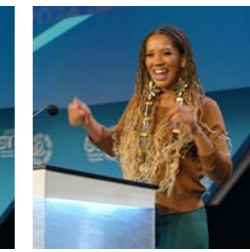
Indigenous Voices - How can we ensure Indigenous voices are at the heart of global decision making?



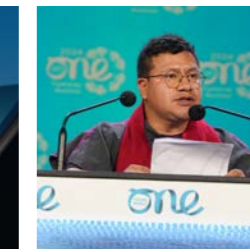
Vanessa Turnbull-Roberts



Maricelma Francelino Fialho Cândido



Larissa Crawford



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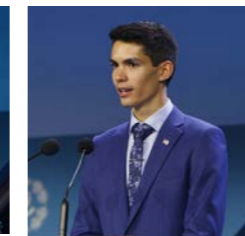


Justin Langan

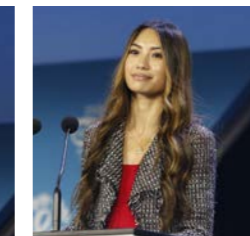
The Climate and Ecological Crisis - How can we protect the world's water systems?



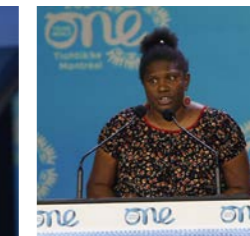
Adenike Oladosu



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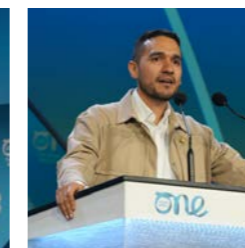


Sheherazade

Artificial Intelligence - How can humanity make AI a force for good?



Abideen Olasupo



Jose Zea



Adrianna Pinzariu



Arhum Ishtiaq

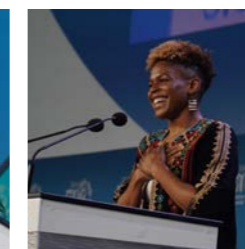


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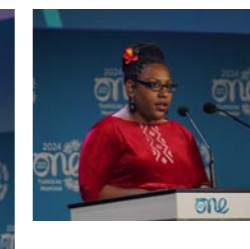
Health Equality - How can we eradicate gender inequality in healthcare?



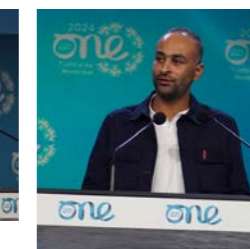
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Vanessa Paraka



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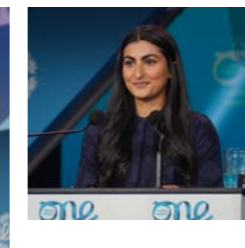


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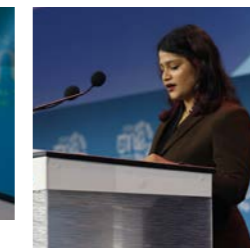
Peace - How can we support young peacebuilders to deliver lasting peace?



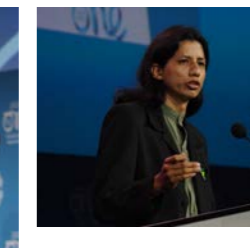
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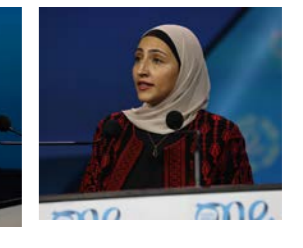
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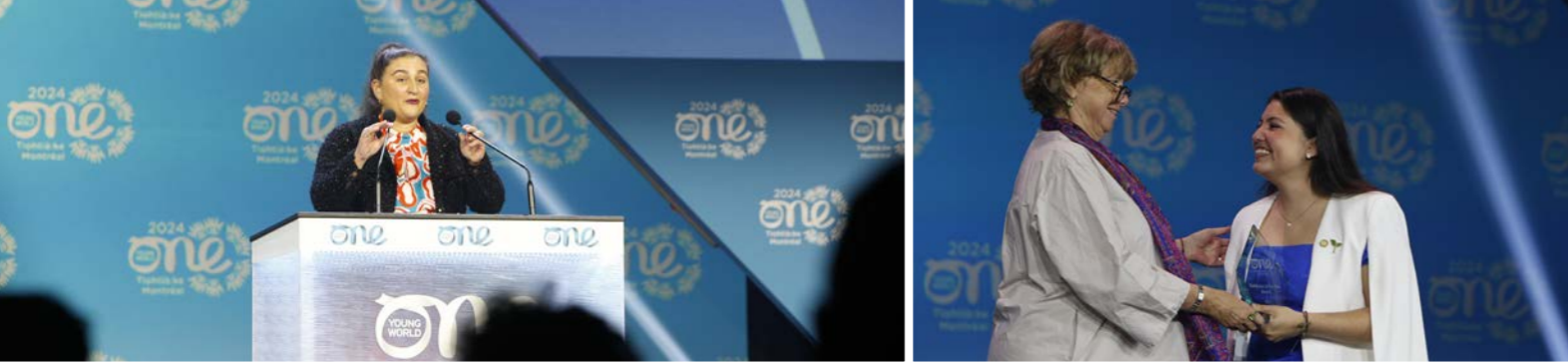
Jahnnobi Rahman



Johan Sebastian Chavez Mosquera



Lama Amro



Leadership Awards

Politician of the Year Award

The 2024 winners showcase the remarkable accomplishments of young leaders and the significant influence they have had in the realm of politics. The impactful efforts of these politicians underscore the advantages of involving young individuals in politics.

Presented by **Mónica de Greiff** - Former Minister of Justice of Colombia

The winners were:

- **Hana-Rawhiti Maipi-Clarke**, Member of Parliament for Hauraki Waikato, New Zealand
- **Elena Sofia Motta Kolleyff**, Member of the Congress, Guatemala
- **Kamal Khera**, Member of Parliament, Brampton West, Canada
- **Ryann Alshebl**, Mayor of Ostelsheim, Syria/Germany

Entrepreneur of the Year Award

This award recognises three young entrepreneurs, assessing them based on the positive societal contributions of their business endeavours and their capacity to motivate others through their leadership. Through their significant initiatives, these awardees are not just inventing convenient solutions but also proactively addressing some of the world's most pressing challenges.

Introduction from **Elio Leoni Sceti** - Co-Founder, Chairman and Chief Crafter, The Craftory

Presented by **Stephen Prince** - Chief Executive Officer of TFG Asset Management

The winners were:

- **Charlot Magayi**, Founder, Mukuru Clean Stoves
- **Kate Kallot**, Founder and CEO, Amini
- **Trisha Prabhu**, Founder and CEO, ReThink™

Campaigner of the Year Award

The Campaigner of the Year Award recognises the exceptional efforts of young leaders who are creating extraordinary impact through advocacy, marketing, or communications. This accolade honours individuals who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to their causes, amplifying their voices to effect profound transformation. Through their relentless campaigns, they serve as beacons of hope and catalysts for meaningful progress in their communities and beyond.

Presented by **Dee Dunne**, Senior Director, Global Lifecycle Marketing & Operations, Intuit Mailchimp

The winners were:

- **Chanel Contos**, Founder, Teach Us Consent
- **Elena Michael**, Co-Founder and Director, #NotYourPorn
- **Vanessa Mbonu**, NAACP's Vice President, Digital Marketing and Communications



Journalist of the Year Award

One Young World firmly holds that the upcoming cohort of young journalists plays a pivotal role in driving impactful and substantive transformation, serving as crucial advocates for upholding the principles of free speech and safeguarding rights across the globe. These emerging leaders fearlessly and resolutely serve as inspiring examples through their dedicated work.

Presented by **John Simpson**, World Affairs Editor, BBC

The winners were:

- **César Dezfuli**, Journalist and Documentary Photographer, Spain/Iran
- **Plestia Alaqad**, Journalist, Palestine
- **Shaneel Lal**, Columnist and Queer Rights Activist, Fiji/New Zealand

The Lyra McKee Award for Bravery

Lyra McKee was a courageous Northern Irish journalist whose life was tragically cut short in 2019. In honour of her indomitable spirit, One Young World has established the Lyra McKee Award for Bravery, inaugurated at the 2023 Summit in Belfast. This award pays tribute to her legacy and celebrates young leaders who exhibit extraordinary courage in their pursuit of positive change. The winner of this year's award was **Plestia Alaqad**.





Interactive Stages

We were proud to present a diverse range of content across our three interactive stages - touching on all five of our 2024 plenary challenges, and beyond. These stages give Delegates the opportunity to engage with Counsellors, Delegate Speakers, Delegates, and One Young World Ambassadors, posing questions directly to our expert panellists. Speakers represented every region of the world, a wide array of sectors, and perspectives.

Open Home

Sponsored by IKEA



The IKEA Open Home stage hosted a wide range of discussion, including a panel on 'Achieving Social Justice in Healthcare Systems', a conversation with Indigenous Creators on TikTok on 'The power of first-person storytelling', and a panel on 'A Global Approach to Combating Hate and Intolerance'.

This year, the IKEA Open Home stage also incorporated an immersive component, allowing the audience to engage with content through a 'silent disco' feature.

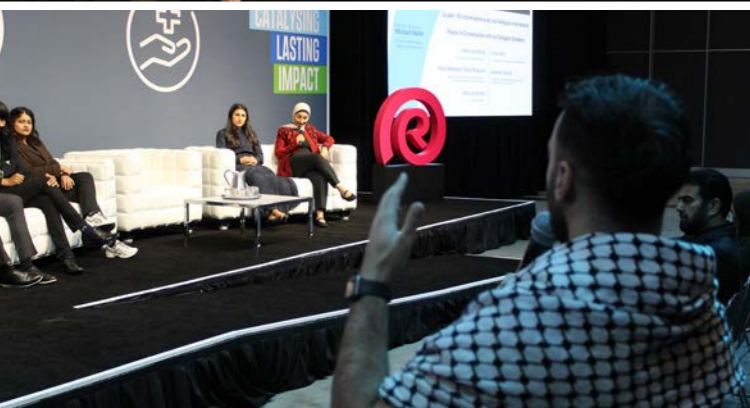


Accelerating Impact

Sponsored by Reckitt



The Accelerating Impact stage hosted a wide range of sessions, from Q&As and panel discussions, to presentations and interactive keynotes. Sessions ranged from 'Exploring Resilience and Resistance with Women from Afghanistan', to 'Inclusive Political Participation: Representing Minorities and Under-represented Populations' and 'Navigating the Dual Threats of Extremism and Exploitation' in AI.



JCCM Entrepreneur Zone

Supported by the City of Montréal and the Quebec Provincial Government



The JCCM Entrepreneur Zone hosted a broad range of sessions, including a Q&A with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, a panel on 'Advancing the Future of Disability Advocacy', and a discussion on 'Innovative Approaches and Sustainable Solutions in Refugee Support'.

Additionally, the JCCM Entrepreneur Zone hosted a live panel with the BBC Global News Podcast, where four One Young World Delegates discussed how global affairs might change if young leaders were in charge.





Government of Quebec



The Government of Quebec provided invaluable support in making Indigenous Youth Day a success by funding key logistical elements, which allowed One Young World to collaborate with Indigenous suppliers, including event organisers and caterers.

Their funding also supported Fondation Nouveaux Sentiers in bringing a delegation of exceptional Indigenous youth from across Quebec, ensuring their voices were represented at the Summit.

Additionally, the provincial contribution made it possible for the Jeune Chambre de commerce de Montréal (JCCM) to host an Interactive Stage, fostering engagement and connection among young leaders and Summit attendees.

Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs x Orange Corners



In 2024, the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs and their youth entrepreneurship initiative Orange Corners, selected 40 scholars to attend the Summit through the Enterprising Futures Scholarship. These young leaders from Africa and the Middle East work to improve young people's prospects and increase youth engagement in a number of developing countries and fragile states, by supporting local entrepreneurs and job creation.

Enterprising Futures Scholars participated in exclusive pre-programme sessions, organised by One Young World and run by The Next Lab. Each session had a distinct purpose, allowing Scholars to exchange insights about their initiative, and the challenges entrepreneurs commonly encounter. In Montréal, Scholars participated in an additional workshop, specifically designed for the Enterprising Futures Scholarship.

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Action and Mentor Sessions

Action Sessions

We invited interested and expert Delegates to explore actions and develop ideas within the different Sustainable Development Goals. These networking sessions are designed to give Delegates the space to connect, exchange ideas, and form impactful collaborations.

Following a short introduction by the host and a keynote speech by an expert speaker, conversations were led by Delegates and the session finished with a collaborative exercise to help Delegates build ideas and take action.

We hosted **31 sessions**, exploring topics including:

- Inclusive Societies: Supporting Refugees and Asylum Seekers
- Social Justice: Eradicating Violence Against Women and Girls
- Indigenous Allyship: Being An Ally to Indigenous Peoples
- Social Justice: Including and Empowering People with Disabilities
- 2SLGBTQIA+ Rights: Advocating for Better Protection
- Reclaiming Identities: Combatting Indigenous Stereotypes
- Mental Wellbeing: Improving Access to Mental Health Care

“The Action Sessions were great for having more in depth conversations in small groups, and for making deeper connections..”

- 2024 Delegate

Mentor Sessions

These exclusive invite-only sessions convened outstanding Delegates from across the globe to meet with Counsellors in a closed-door, intimate setting. As mentors, the Counsellors imparted their learnings and insight with the impressive collections of young leaders, who in turn shared their own experiences, challenges and questions.

The **35 sessions** were available to **201 Delegates**, exploring topics including:

- Climate Conscious Leadership with Paul Polman
- Mental Health with Gary Shaughnessy
- AI Ethics and Accountability with Dr Abeba Birhane
- Indigenous Knowledge Systems with Kimberly Teehee
- 2SLGBTQIA+ Rights with Matcha Phornin
- International Relations and Advocacy with Myron Brilliant
- Global East-West Dialogue with James Chau
- Empowering Women with Shudufhadzo Musida
- Fighting for Racial Justice with Thuli Madonsela
- Sport for Social Impact with Tendai Mtawarira
- Forced Migration with Per Heggernes
- Future of Africa with Ashraf Garda
- Restoring Trust in Media with Ilia Calderón

Workshops

Workshops at the Summit provide One Young World Delegates with practical insights into the subjects they are most passionate about and deliver immediately applicable skills, strategies, and actionable learning outcomes that help further Delegate projects and initiatives. This year's Montréal Summit offered a wide range of **63** in-person workshops for Delegates, including one Spanish speaking workshop.

230+

applications from over 70 countries

1,989

Delegates registered to attend workshops



The Community Square

The Community Square was a place for Delegates to eat, meet, and network.

The Community Square offers One Young World's trusted partners the ability to showcase their brand initiatives and engage Delegates in powerful and meaningful conversations on their booths.

In 2024, we introduced a Braindate lounge to facilitate 1:1 and small group discussions.

Leading topic searches included: AI, Sustainability, Entrepreneurship, Women's Empowerment, Health, Education, Innovation, and Climate.



146
1:1 Braindates

88
Group Braindates

3,027
connections

688
hours of learning



Z Zurich Foundation



In 2024, the Z Zurich Foundation supported 52 young leaders working on prevention-focused mental well-being projects, adaptation-focused climate resilience projects, or projects enabling social equity through education, employability or entrepreneurship solutions, to participate in the One Young World Summit.

In addition to the Delegate partnership, the Z Zurich Foundation secured an exhibition booth and donated the use of the booth to one of their social entrepreneurship/not for profit partner organisations.

The Z Zurich Foundation also sponsored a Delegate social programme event, which offered them the opportunity to engage with Delegates in an informal and meaningful way.

Holcim



Holcim works with One Young World each year to develop an integrated partnership.

In 2024, Holcim supported a delegation of 29 Delegates, six Scholars and five Partner Executives.

Each year Holcim designs and develops an incredibly unique Exhibition booth that both informs and engages Delegates. Since 2022, Holcim has found innovative ways to educate Delegates on sustainable development whilst keeping it fun.

Interested in sponsoring Partner Opportunities for 2025? Contact partnerships@oneyoungworld.com



Social Programmes

Delegates attended dinners across the city at seven locations. The social programme allows Delegates the chance to explore the local culture and network in an informal setting. Two of the evening events were kindly sponsored by the Z Zurich Foundation and the BrandTech Group.

Counsellor Community Events

During the One Young World Summit, both **Jamad Fiin** and **Tendai Mtawarira** participated in sports sessions within the City of Montréal.

Former South African Rugby World Cup winner Tendai Mtawarira went to McGill University to lead a Rugby Coaching session, where he was joined by over 50 players to help them prepare for their next league match. Tendai spent over three hours meeting and coaching the players, along with the coaching staff, and spoke on the importance of team unity and leadership.

Jamad Fiin, CEO and Founder, Jamad Fiin Basketball Camps, hosted a basketball session for 25 lucky One Young World Delegates on a rooftop court in Montréal. Delegates from around the world with a passion for basketball and Jamad's work were treated to three hours of coaching, skills work and games.



The Closing Ceremony

The Summit concluded with our Closing Ceremony at the Palais des Congrès. The Ceremony featured an incredible performance from One Young World Counsellor, Humanitarian, Author and Mental Health Champion **Shudufhadzo Musida**, before the One Young World traditional Ribbon Ceremony where Delegates make and commit their pledge for the year ahead.

During the Ceremony, seven prize funds were awarded to the Lead2030 challenge winners, totalling \$350,000.

The programme also featured an address from One Young World Counsellor and 2011 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate **Tawakkol Karman**.

We were pleased to welcome **Ericka Aleneus**, Member of Montréal Executive Committee, who passed the One Young World baton onto Munich. Representing Germany was **Kurt Kapp**, City Director of Munich's Department of Labor and Economics. The Ceremony concluded with a celebration party from **Kytes**, Munich based indie-pop band.

One Young World Summit Munich, 2025

One Young World is delighted to be hosted by the City of Munich - a global hub for innovation and technology with a rich history and vibrant culture.

Munich is renowned for its architecture and culture and has become a major international centre for business, technology, engineering, research, and medicine. It is home to several universities and is the headquarters for many multinational companies and world-class technology and science centres. We look forward to working closely with our world-leading partners to host the landmark leadership event of the year!

The Summit will take place from **3 - 6 November 2025**, where over 2,000 young leaders from more than 190 countries will gather across the city's well-known venues.



Media and Social Media Coverage

The Summit in Montréal received global media attention with 46 international journalists joining us on the ground.

Over the week, 41 broadcast interviews took place including 12 interviews with CNBC where anchor Tania Bryer carried out conversations with the likes of **Cher**, **Sir Bob Geldof** and Former President of Costa Rica **Laura Chinchilla**. The BBC World Service also sent a crew and conducted a podcast recording live on stage with four young Delegates and also recorded plenty of additional interviews exploring the key Summit themes. Another highlight was a CNN International live interview with **David Suzuki** and Delegate **Bodhi Patil** on how young leaders are needed to tackle climate change.

In addition, we arranged plenty more interviews for Delegates and Counsellors with the likes of Elle International, CBC Radio, BBC Africa Daily, Monocle, CTV News and Deutsche Welle.

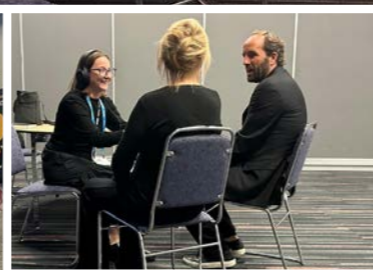


1,340 coverage pieces in 20 countries between September and October, 2024

50.84M
BBC World Service reach

28.75M
CNBC reach

16.8M
CNN reach

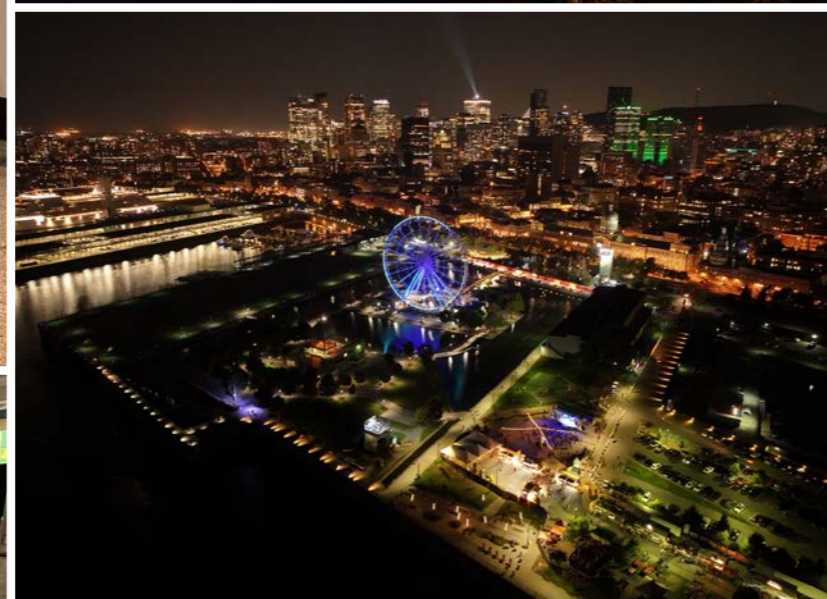
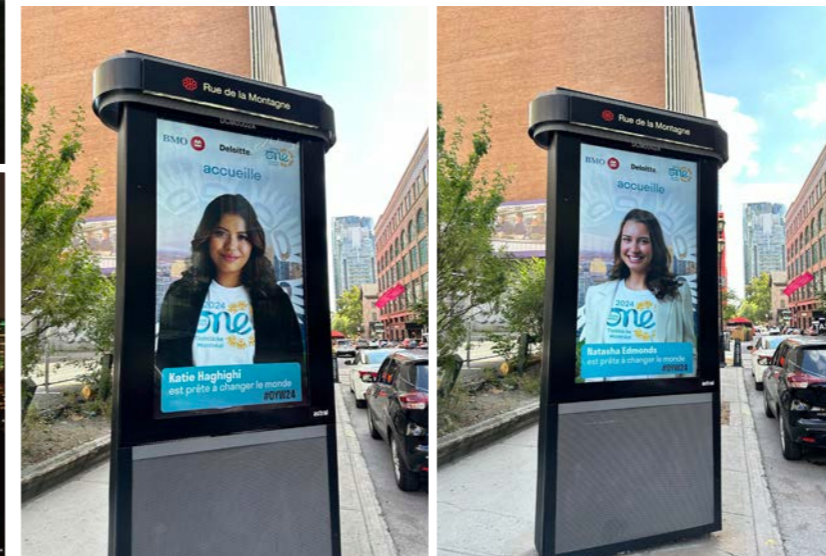
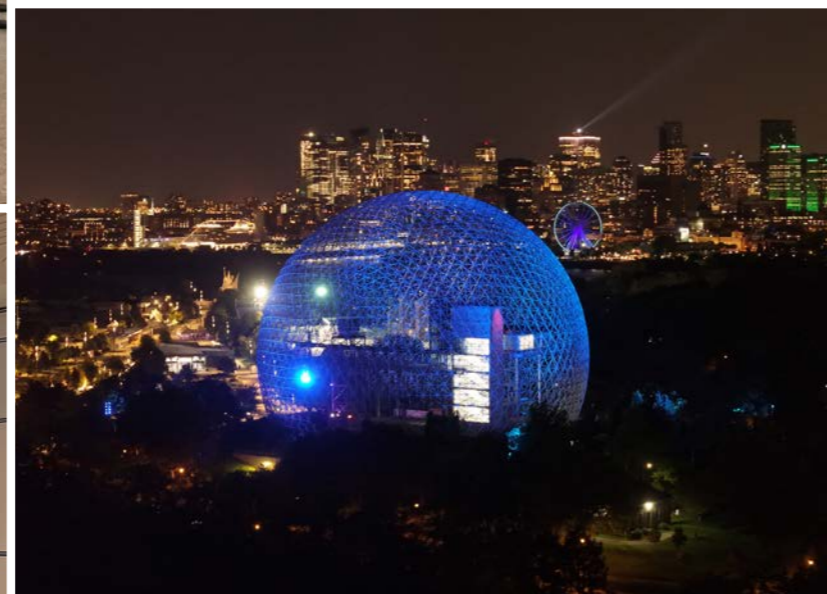


Social Media

At the Summit, the One Young World Digital Communications Team interviewed iconic figures like **Justin Trudeau**, **Cher**, and **Margaret Atwood**, and engaged with young leaders boldly tackling global challenges. The Opening Ceremony was broadcasted via live-stream to our global Community, and we shared live coverage across social media, uniting audiences through inspiring action.

1.3M
Total social media impressions at the Summit across Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Threads, and X

64,186
Total social media engagements at the Summit across Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Threads, and X



Montréal City Branding

The One Young World Summit had a branded presence across the City of Montréal. Highlights included La Grande Roue de Montréal and the Olympic Stadium lit up in One Young World colours.

One Young World also partnered with BMO and Deloitte to spotlight attending Delegates.



Accessibility at the Summit

Our aim is to make the Summit accessible to all and help to make Delegates' journeys as smooth as possible between all our venues and throughout the duration of the Summit.

In order to make the Summit as accessible as possible, One Young World implemented the following procedures at the Montréal Summit:

- All One Young World Montréal venues and stages were fully accessible.
- International sign language took place at the Opening Ceremony and on the Presentation Stage.
- Closed caption text was available on the Presentation Stage and Interactive Stages.
- Height adjustable lecterns on the Presentation Stage.
- A quiet room, male and female prayer rooms and a family feeding room were available at the Palais des Congrès.
- A buddy scheme was provided where requested.
- Personalised accessible transport schedules were provided where requested.

Sustainability at the Summit

Sustainability is a top priority at One Young World and is a core part of our operations. We are committed to playing our part in delivering on the Paris Agreement as rapidly as possible and upholding our ISO20121 Sustainable Events certification. Here are some of the steps that were taken this year:

- The Palais des Congrès was within walking distance of the majority of the other Summit venues and hotels around Montréal.
- Where car journeys were unavoidable, hybrid/electric vehicles and public transport were recommended.
- Badges and lanyards were made from paper and sustainable cotton.
- In the main exhibition, the stands were manufactured from reuseable materials. All furniture and structures were rented and reused. All carpet was also reuseable.
- All bins at the Palais des Congrès were multipurpose and took recycling, which was then processed and sorted by the venue.
- All catering was locally sourced and provided in recyclable/biodegradable containers with wooden cutlery. Where any food was surplus, this was donated to local food banks.
- Reusable drink bottles were supplied by Pernod Ricard to use at water and refreshment refill stations. Delegates were recommended to bring their own drink bottles and hot beverage cups.
- The One Young World merchandise store clothing is zero waste, made from certified organic cotton and printed in a renewable energy-powered factory.
- All the Summit venues had sustainability policies which met our strict requirements. All our suppliers were asked to sign the One Young World Sustainability Pledge and if this is not met would be removed from the site.
- Delegates were given the opportunity to email the dedicated One Young World sustainability inbox if they spotted anything they would like to change or have any ideas to make the Summit even more sustainable.

One Young World Counsellors



Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Andy Nulman - Co-Founder, Just for Laughs

Angela F Williams - President and CEO, United Way Worldwide

Ashraf Garda - Founder, Champion South Africa

Cher - Singer and Oscar Winning Actress

Dame Jane Goodall - Founder, Jane Goodall Institute

David Suzuki - Grandfather and Co-Founder, David Suzuki Foundation

Dr Abeba Birhane - Senior Advisor in AI Accountability, Mozilla Foundation and Adjunct Assistant Professor, School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin

Dr Fay Cobb Payton - Professor Emerita, Researcher, Entrepreneur and International Speaker

Felipe Paullier - Assistant Secretary-General for Youth Affairs, United Nations Youth Office

Ilia Calderón - Anchor, Host and Correspondent

Jamad Fiin - CEO and Founder, Jamad Basketball Camps

James Chau - President, China-United States Exchange Foundation, Goodwill Ambassador for SDG and Health, WHO

Jean Todt - United Nations Special Envoy for Road Safety

Jessica Gladstone - Partner, Clifford Chance

John Simpson - World Affairs Editor, BBC

Jurriaan Middelhoff - Ambassador for Youth, Education and Employment, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer - Former Grand Chief, Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

Ka'nahsohon Kevin Deer - Director, Indigenous Knowledge Quality Learning and Teaching Excellence, First Nations Technical Institute

Kaniehtiio Horn - Actress, Writer and Director

Kimberly Bryant - Founder and CEO, The Black Innovation Lab, Ascend Ventures

Kimberly Teehee - Delegate-designate to US House of Representatives for Cherokee Nation and Senior Vice President, Government Relations, Cherokee Nation Businesses

Margaret Atwood - Award-Winning Writer

María Juliana Ruiz - Former First Lady, Republic of Colombia

Maria Ressa - Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Co-founder and CEO, Rappler

Mark Tewksbury - Vice President, Canadian Olympic Committee

Matcha Phorn-in - Founder and Executive Director, Sangsan Anakot Yawachon Foundation

Myron Brilliant - Former Executive Vice President and Head of International, US Chamber and Founder, Brilliant Impact Group and Senior Counsellor to DGA-ASG

Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe - British-Iranian Author and Former Hostage

President Laura Chinchilla - Former President, Republic of Costa Rica

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau - Prime Minister of Canada

Professor Da Wei - Director, Center for International Security and Strategy, Tsinghua University

Professor Johan Rockström - Director, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research and Professor in Earth System Science, University of Potsdam

Professor Thuli Madonsela - Director, Centre for Social Justice, Stellenbosch University and Founder, the Thuma Foundation for Democracy Leadership and Literacy

Professor Yoshua Bengio - Full Professor, Department of Computer Science and Operations Research, Université de Montréal and Founder and Scientific Director, Quebec Artificial Intelligence Institute

Regional Chief Joanna Bernard - Regional Chief, New Brunswick, Assembly of First Nations

Ronan Dunne - Chair, Six Nations Rugby and Non-executive Director, Marks and Spencer

Rupi Kaur - Poet, Artist and Performer

Scott Wabano - IndigiQueer Creative Director and Stylist, CEO and President, WABANO

Senator Michèle Audette - Senior Advisor for Reconciliation and Indigenous Education, Laval University

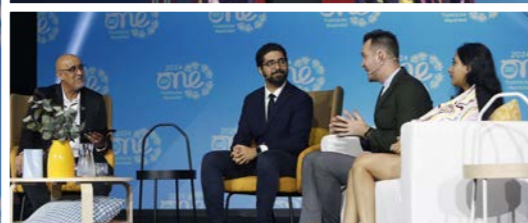
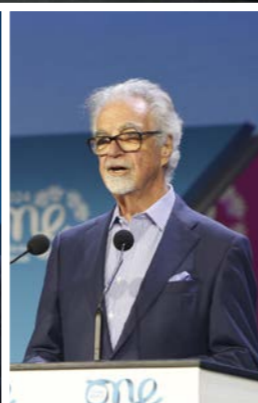
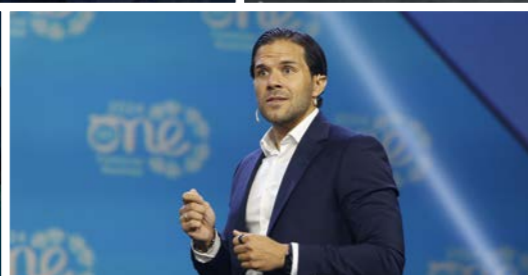
Shudufhadzo Musida - Humanitarian, Author and Mental Health Champion

Sir Bob Geldof - Singer, Songwriter, Author and Political Activist

Stephen Bronfman - Co-chair, Claudine and Stephen Bronfman Family Foundation

Tawakkol Karman - 2011 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

Tendai Mtawarira - South African Rugby Star and Regional Goodwill Ambassador, UNICEF



Corporate Counsellors

- Andy Pearson** - Vice President of Creative, Liquid Death
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Farah Délance Foundation	KatexPower	The People
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I am Montréal	R-SEAT (Refugees Seeking Equal Access at the Table)	Waves to Home
IKEA	SheFighter	Wish for WASH
Pan African Dance Heritage	Southern Africa Litigation Centre	Young Diplomats of Canada
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