Year In Review

Youth Network

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Amplifying Youth Voices in UArctic

The Youth Network's year of provisional status has come to an end this spring, with the network being accepted for official status as a thematic network. The Youth Network was formed as a response to growing need for youth voices and youth involvement in Arctic affairs. The voices of youth carry weight: as Arctic futures are changing and decisions made that will impact generations to come, it is imperative that the voices of the next generations of leaders are heard. As a newly established network focusing on youth, we have spent this year preparing materials and building presence, as we prepare to engage and uplift youth in the coming years.

Key Activities 2025-2026

- Youth Network Proposal submitted 2025
- Youth Lounge at UArctic Congress
- Youth Network Granted Official Thematic Network Status
- Youth Network Membership Meeting

Future Activities

- Hosting a session at Arctic Youth Conference in Nuuk, Greenland "Student Governance in the Arctic
- Webinars to be planned for 2027, based on member feedback
- Annual Membership Meeting Fall 2027



UArctic Congress 2026 - Youth Lounge Session "Crafts & Culture as Living Knowledge - Land, Language, Identity, and Youth Leadership"



UArctic Congress 2026 - Session "Arctic Futures through Youth Perspectives"

Impact of Activities: Youth Involvement in Arctic Futures

The establishment of the Youth Network in UArctic, as the first of its kind, shows a commitment to youth involvement in Arctic futures. The growing membership of the youth network will guide the progress and achievements,while ensuring youth voices and needs are our focus. We know from our rapidly growing membership that there is a need for space dedicated to youth engagement, while positioning youth as leaders. We hope that our network will allow more youth to collaborate and communicate across borders, for greater visibility and engagement of youth in Arctic futures.

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