

# Next Generation Fellows

2022-2023



## Inés Yábar – Next Generation Fellows Lead

Inés is a young activist from Peru who's been actively working towards a more sustainable future since she was 15. By volunteering in beach cleanups in the coastline of Peru, she helped collect data and organise thousands of volunteers to help inform policies in Peru: leading to the country banning single use plastic bags!

She is currently the Global Youth Power Manager for Restless Development helping young people achieve a more just and sustainable world and sits on the leadership team. In 2021, she led the Youth Power Hacks helping young people find solutions to the issues in their communities.

Inés is on the board of L.O.O.P. (a grassroots women led Peruvian social impact company conserving the marine ecosystem) and of Ensemble pour TECHO which she co-founded (an organisation seeking to overcome poverty in Latin America). Her previous experiences include working with organisations in France, Lebanon and Japan to reach the 2030 agenda.

She was a part of the peruvian delegation in COP25 following the topic of deforestation and represented the Missing Majority at COP26. Inés is also a Global Shaper (Lima Hub), a Plastic Action Champion and sits on the Global Plastic Action Partnership Advisory committee.

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# Transforming Education



## Alice Mukashyaka – Transforming Education Fellow

Alice Mukashyaka is a UN Fellow and the Advocacy Manager for Livelihoods and Education at Restless Development. In this role most recently, Alice coordinated the biggest youth-led study on global education since the pandemic hit, the 'By Us, For Us' and convened the #MakeEducationWork campaign in partnership with the RewirED Summit, reaching nearly 13 million young people. She is the co-founder of Starlight, a Rwandan Ed-tech social enterprise that makes STEM learning kits and introduces high school students to STEM careers, mentorship, and role models. Previously, Alice was a Mastercard Foundation Youth Ambassador where she coordinated meaningful youth participation for the MasterCard Foundatio's report on Secondary Education in Africa. She was also a Youth Think Tank researcher, exploring barriers women and girls face in STEM and construction fields, delivering a report with a call to action of linking women to new industries as a way of driving social and economic change in Africa. Alice advocates for meaningful youth engagement and access to quality education for all. Her education background covers global challenges from the African Leadership University and she lives to witness a sustainable world with equal access to opportunities and safety.

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## Thaís Queiroz – Transforming Education Fellow

Thaís is a Next Generation Fellow for the Transforming Education Summit and a Youth Representative of World Scouting. She has dedicated her studies and career to the causes of education, migration and human rights and worked in Geneva pursuing her Masters Degree at the Graduate Institute Geneva in Development Studies, with a focus in education in humanitarian settings.

As a proud member of the Scout Movement for most of her life, she learned the power of volunteering to transform societies, through shared values and active citizenship. Thaís was part of the core planning team for the World Non-Formal Education Forum, a first-of-its kind event that convened the biggest players in non-formal education to take stock of trends and define the future of non-formal education.

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## Gender Equality



### **Anita Dywaba – Gender Equality Fellow**

Anita is a 23-year-old qualified journalist and human rights activist, now working in the development field. Anita currently works as an Innovation Analyst at the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) as part of their Young Innovators program.

Anita is leading the first Girl Up coalition in South Africa and co-founder of nkwenkwezinfo, a non-profit focusing on SDGs 4 and 5.

One of her most outstanding achievements was when she spoke at a side event of the first-ever Summit For Democracy hosted by the President of the United States. At the event, she spoke about how voting in local elections is essential for sustaining local democracies and economies and why positive civic engagement, especially amongst youth voters, is crucial.

Another highlight for Anita was when she executive produced a current affairs show called Politics Today for the Rhodes University TV (RUTV) Channel, which highlighted the rise in political apathy in the youth; using her media skills as an activism tool.

Anita has spoken on various panels at Youth Summits, including the 2021 and 2022 GirlUp Leadership Summit. Anita describes herself as an avid campaigner and researcher, having worked on various international campaigns including with USAID's YouthLead project on the importance of female representation in peacebuilding, as well as working on a youth research paper with the APRM project.

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## Future Generations



### Jacob Ellis – Future Generations Fellow

Jacob Ellis is a Next Generation Fellow from Wales. He is 29 years old and is a Lead Change Maker at the Office of the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales. His responsibilities include international outreach with strategic partners (including the United Nations, UNFCCC and intergovernmental agencies) and advising public institutions with their implementation of the Well-being of Future Generations Act across Wales.

As a proud futurist, Jacob works with policymakers, leaders, youth activists and agencies to advocate for the needs and interests of future generations and has spoken at international events including COP26, World Government Summit, One Young World and UN High-Level Political Forum.

He is also a member of the Sustainability Strategy Working Group for the Football Association of Wales and a Climate Justice Campaign Advisor for the Museums Association. Jacob is a Non-Executive Director at Literature Wales and a Trustee at Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru.

Jacob is also an alumni member of the Unite 2030 Youth Delegate Programme. He is a former BBC Wales Journalist and served as President of Aberystwyth University Students' Union. He is a former Trustee of Cardiff Third Sector Council and Scouts Cymru. Jacob holds a BA Degree in Welsh and International Politics (Aberystwyth University) and an MA Degree in Broadcast Journalism (Cardiff University).

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