

The Community of Democracies and Youth Empowerment

The Community of Democracies (CoD) is a global intergovernmental coalition comprised of Member States that support adherence to the shared values of democracy and human rights outlined in the Warsaw Declaration.

Youth engagement in public life is an important element of sustainable democracies and inclusive societies. For the Community of Democracies, youth empowerment is one of the cross-cutting themes mainstreamed into all activities undertaken by the CoD.



CoD YOUTHLEADS

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CoD Youth Leads

Established in 2020, CoD Youth Leads is a group of democracy advocates and leaders across the globe from countries within and outside the CoD Governing Council. The Youth Leads actively engage in CoD activities, including its Ministerial Conference, Youth Forum and global events.

CoD Youth Forum

The CoD Youth Forum brought together representatives of youth-led organizations and networks to share ideas, best practices, and experiences on youth participation in public life in different parts of the world.

Global Events

The CoD works with youth from across the world to discuss country-specific as well as global democracy and human-rights related issues. Young people participate and contribute in a number of CoD activities, from thematic discussions and development of youth statements to major gatherings including the CoD Ministerial Conference and the Youth Assembly for the Summit for Democracies.

CoD engagement in the Summit for Democracy Youth Assembly on the margins of the Summit for Democracy | December 6, 2021

Championed by the CoD YouthLeads, the virtual Youth Assembly for the Summit for Democracy brought together 18- to 35- year olds from across the world. The Assembly kicked off with a conversation with USAID Administrator Samantha Power. During the event, youth participants focused on the three main areas of the Summit as well as voiced their democracy priorities.

