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TO: PIDF MEMBERS

FROM: SECRETARY GENERAL

SUBJECT: CALL FOR APPLICATION: YOUTH TRIANGULAR COOPERATION ACADEMY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA (YTCA4SDA)

Dear Members,

Warm greetings from the Secretariat.

I am pleased to announce that the UN Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and Shenzhen Haohan Technology Information Ltd have co-developed the *“Youth Triangular Cooperation Academy for Sustainable Development Agenda (YTCA4SDA).”*

Each year, YTCA4SDA will provide training focusing on sustainability education and run student competition for the youth from the Global South in Asia-Pacific.

Following training, student participants will develop their own initiatives to tackle a specific problem within the scope of one SDG. Student participants will develop valuable transferable skills through YTCA4SDA’s Project Based Learning (PBL) approach. The YTC4SDA will be implemented under UNOSSC’s Youth4South Platform.

PIDF recognizes the importance of harnessing youth enthusiasm and ingenuity for the observance towards attainment of, and further acknowledges youths as the main beneficiaries of, the SDGs, through:

- Targeted policies and resources to develop digital skills;
- Specific programmes to ensure youths have access to education, health and employment opportunities; and
- International cooperation, strategic partnerships and technology transfer, succeed in and adapt to rapidly-changing workplaces.

Find **attached** an information brief on this initiative and please do contact the following staff for further information:

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- Dr Leba Salusalu, Research Specialist, UNOSSC Pacific sub-regional Office, Email - leba.salusalu@unOSSC.org

The Secretariat acknowledges all members for your continued support and we look forward to further collaboration towards this initiative.

Sincerely,



Ambassador Solo Mara
SECRETARY GENERAL

