

RONG CHANG CUP
YOUTH INNOVATION COMPETITION
ON GLOBAL GOVERNANCE

YICGG2023

「荣昶杯」青年全球治理创新设计大赛



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Vision and Mission

Youth Innovation Competition on Global Governance

- ❑ YICGG is a global competition that aims to provide an opportunity for those aspiring students who are interested in **global governance** to interpret and spread their ideas.
- ❑ YICGG was launched in **2007** by Fudan University, sponsored by **United Nations Development Programme(UNDP)** in China , **Shanghai Rong Chang Public Welfare Foundation** and organized by the **School of International Relations and Public Affairs (SIRPA)** of Fudan University.
- ❑ In the past years, we have brought together more than **2000** top students from **96** countries and regions to present their ideas to professional researchers and innovation leaders.





Initiative and Reputation

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- The initiative to start YICGG is to build a platform for the youth to **meet each other** and **debate on global affairs** as well as to **communicate and explore all possibilities for human development**. The process of YICGG appears differently with that of the debates in daily life or on the Internet.
- YICGG values young people's passion on global issues. With face-to-face discussions in the spirit of science, YICGG encourages **critical and logical thinking** in order to help young people produce more innovative proposals with high academic value and practical significance.





Something About YICGG2023

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YICGG2023 Theme

Global Biodiversity: Youth Involvement and Initiatives

Biodiversity animates the planet, and humans depend on nature for survival and development. However, climate change and biodiversity decline have come to the fore in recent years, and the interplay between the two is threatening the integrity, health and sustainability of natural ecosystems. Biodiversity protection is an immediate necessity.

On the crucial issue of biodiversity for human living, the High-Level Segment of the UN Biodiversity Conference 2020 (Part 1) held in Kunming, China, in October 2021 formally adopted the Kunming Declaration, committing to ensure the development, adoption and implementation of a practical post-2020 global biodiversity framework to reverse the loss of biodiversity. At the 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China in 2022, President Xi Jinping also outlined a roadmap for China's eco-environmental governance and biodiversity preservation in the coming years.

Youth play an increasingly important role in the cause of biodiversity and ecological protection. The global youth are invited to work together to make ecology a consciousness and biodiversity conservation a way of life. In light of this, YICGG 2023 cordially invites young people from around the world to think of innovative solutions and propose feasible governance frameworks around the theme of biodiversity, so that we can put on a path to recovery by 2030 at the latest, towards the full realization of the 2050 Vision of “Living in Harmony with Nature”.



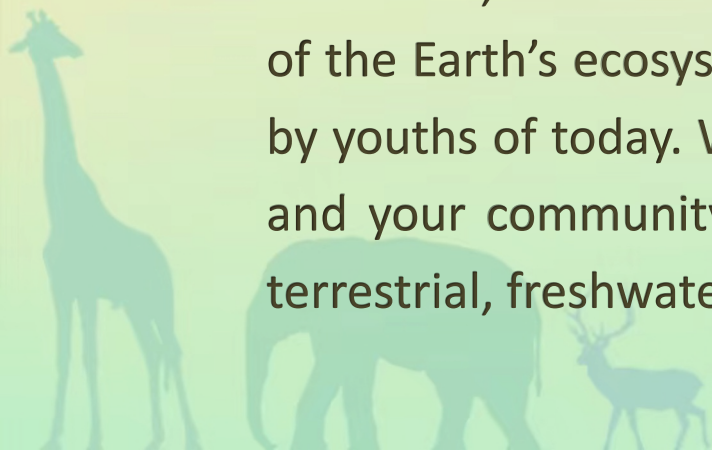
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Global Biodiversity: Youth Involvement and Initiatives

Recommended Topics: **1. Evolving Environments: Climate Change and the Conservation and Restoration of Ecosystems**

The Kunming Declaration is committed to enhancing cooperation and coordination in existing multilateral environmental agreements, such as the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change UNFCC, to promote conservation and restoration of terrestrial, freshwater and marine biodiversity. Changes in the structure and functioning of the Earth's ecosystems caused by climate change remains a challenge to be addressed by youths of today. We welcome you to design governance frameworks, authentic to you and your community, to mitigate the impacts of climate change on the biodiversity of terrestrial, freshwater and marine ecosystems.





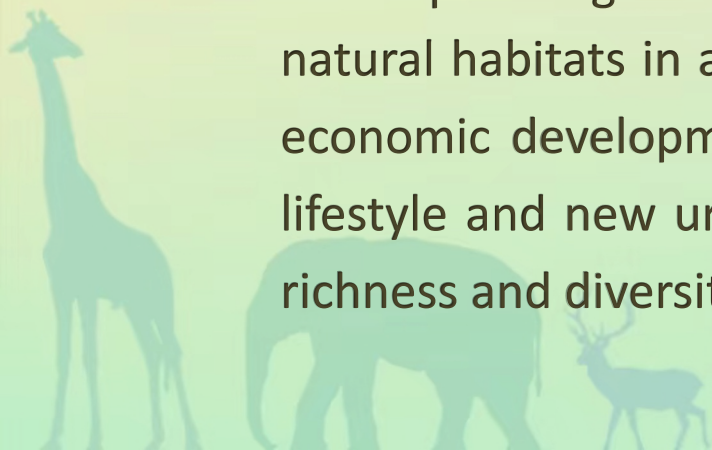
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Recommended Topics: **2. Reforming Relationships: Urban Biodiversity and Exploring New Models for Development**

As we continue to develop our cities, it is essential to adopt new solutions that make cities livable not just for humans, but also for animals. Repairing the broken human-nature relationship requires us to integrate biodiversity and ecosystem services into urban planning and decision-making processes; protect and restore biodiversity and natural habitats in and around cities; in addition, foster green growth by coordinating economic development with environmental protection. By formulating a sustainable lifestyle and new urban development model, we hope to usher in a world filled with richness and diversity for all.





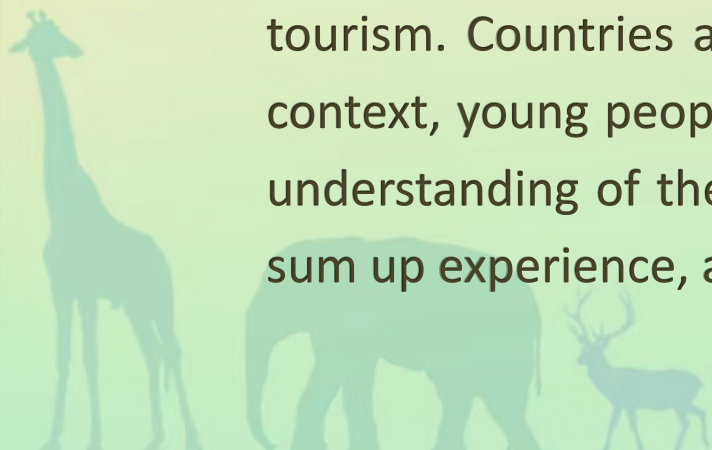
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Recommended Topics: **3. National Action - National Parks and Green Development**

Since 2012, China has gradually promoted the establishment of the national park system, moved faster to establish a protected areas system with national parks as the mainstay, and stepped up efforts to protect the nature. Cultural landscapes and biodiversity are not only the resource base for sustainable tourism, but also one of the basic characteristics of tourism. Countries around the world have different innovations and experiences. In this context, young people from different countries should be encouraged to gain an in-depth understanding of their country's biodiversity governance mechanisms and achievements, sum up experience, and pool wisdom to form a world plan with broader value.





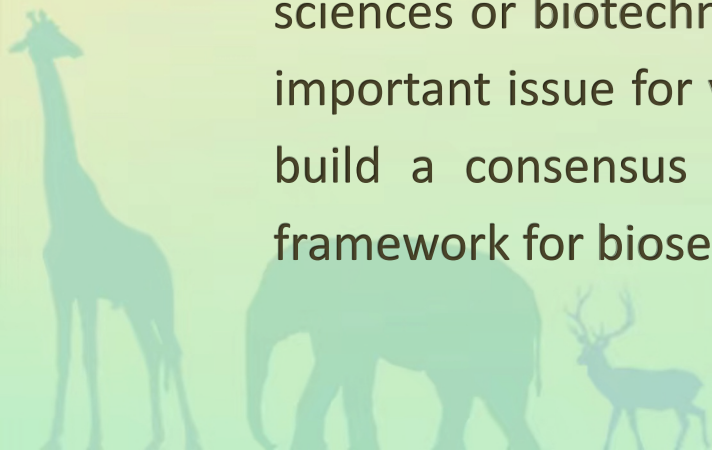
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Recommended Topics: **4. International Collaboration - Global Governance of Biosecurity**

Entering the 21st century, biotechnology has been advancing rapidly with new technologies emerging such as synthetic biology, gene editing, and artificial intelligence. While driving human progress and development, these new technologies also imply new biosecurity risks. The most pressing threat to biosecurity does not originate from the life sciences or biotechnology itself, but rather from microorganisms. In this context, it is an important issue for youth around the world to consider how to view biosecurity, how to build a consensus on biosecurity governance, and how to think about a universal framework for biosecurity governance.





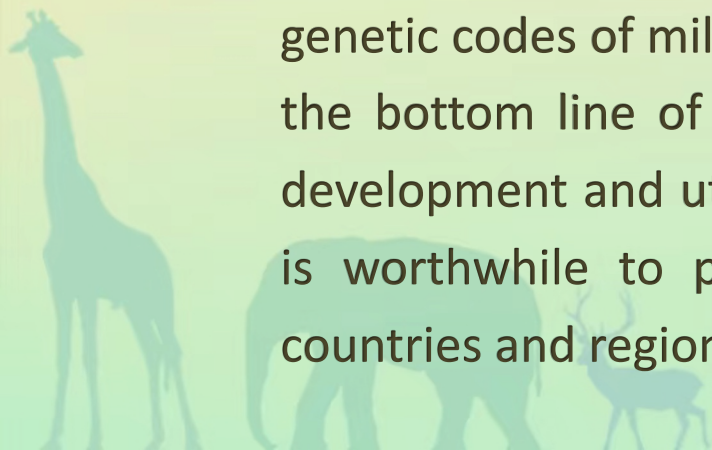
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Recommended Topics: **5. International Practice - Global Experience on Seed Biodiversity and Rural Development**

The 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP15), held in December 2022, passed the milestone Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, which proposed ambitious goals to reverse the curve of biodiversity loss. Currently, various types of "seed banks" around the world store the genetic codes of millions of species on Earth, protecting global biodiversity, safeguarding the bottom line of food security, while also providing an important platform for the development and utilization of biological resources. As youth from around the world, it is worthwhile to pay attention to how seed biodiversity is protected in different countries and regions and how this is reflected in rural development in the countries.





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Recommended Topics: **6. Global Vision - Sustainable Development**

Biodiversity provides various resources for human beings, but due to excessive exploitation, biodiversity has been harmed, resulting in a decline in the number of species and environmental damage. So how to strike a balance between exploitation and conservation to achieve sustainable development? How can we promote the development of sustainable products based on biodiversity that provide social, economic and environmental benefits to people, especially those who are vulnerable and most dependent on biodiversity benefits? It is of positive value for young people to provide sustainable development programs and wisdom from the perspective of biodiversity.





Participants

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1-2 leading roles in global governance will be invited as distinguished guests to deliver speeches on the opening ceremony of the final.

6-7 professional scholars and experts will form the jury. 50-60 students around the world who are keen on global governance will be selected as the finalists. Meanwhile, 3-5 excellent former participants (MVP, ITK) will attend the final as youth representatives.

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Special
Guests

6-7

Professional
Judges

50-60

Youth
Competitors

3-5

Youth
Representatives



Competition Process (Round 1)

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2023/04/30

- Deadline of preliminary registration

2023/05/28

- Announcement of preliminary results (Before this day)

2023/05/07

- Submission deadline of preliminary scheme

2023/05/31

- Confirm attendance in the final





Competition Process (Round 2)

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Day 0

- Arrival in Yunnan
- World Youth Talk

Grouping

Day 2

- We Youth Common Agenda
- Field Trip

Day 4

- Free Discussion
- World Youth Talk

Day 1

- Opening Ceremony
- Ignite Talk
- Culture Night

Day 3

- World Café
- Free Discussion

Day 5

- Proposal Submission & Final Presentation
- Closing Ceremony





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Round 1: Based on the theme of the preliminary round, participants are expected to formulate global-governance proposals with creativity and foresight, either individually or in a group. The YICGG Committee will then strictly follow the experts' evaluation and welcome the most competitive candidates to enter the second round. The **“Most Innovative Team(MIT)”** will be selected in this round.

Round 2-1: "Ignite Talk" is an optional part for the participants. Applicants are required to submit their Talk outlines(150-200 words) focused on their chosen topics. **20 applicants** will be selected by the judges to share their insights in the Talk. The most impressive participant will be honored with the individual award **“The Ignite Talk King/ Queen (ITK/ITQ)”**

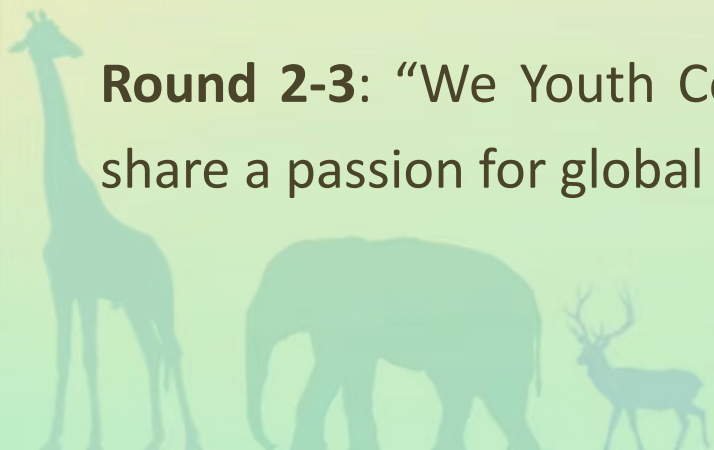


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Round 2-2: “World Café” is a **form of brainstorming**. The World Teams engage in round-table discussions under the guidance of judges, focusing on proposals developed within the finalist theme. Each discussion lasts 15-20 minutes. When the time is up, the World Teams rotate to the next table, where another judge leads the discussion, and so on, allowing contestants to interact with all the judges. The judges and contestants continuously exchange their ideas, igniting sparks of thought.

Round 2-3: “We Youth Common Agenda” aims to nourish the common goals of the youth who share a passion for global governance.



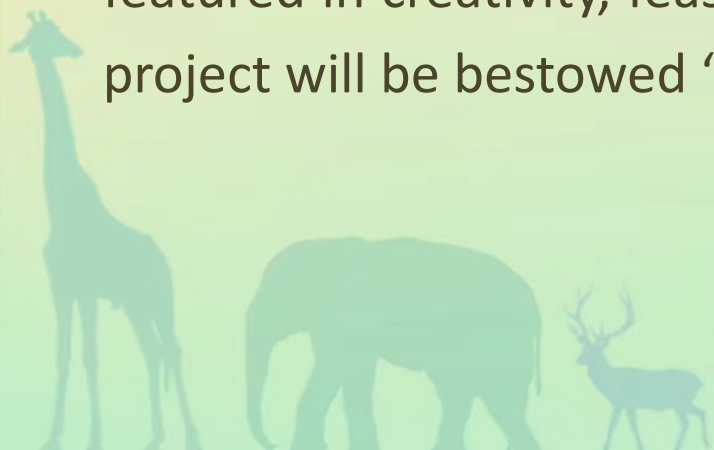


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Round 2-4: This year YICGG will add up a new round called "World Youth Talk". If you are willing to participate in this session, please wait for further specific notice.

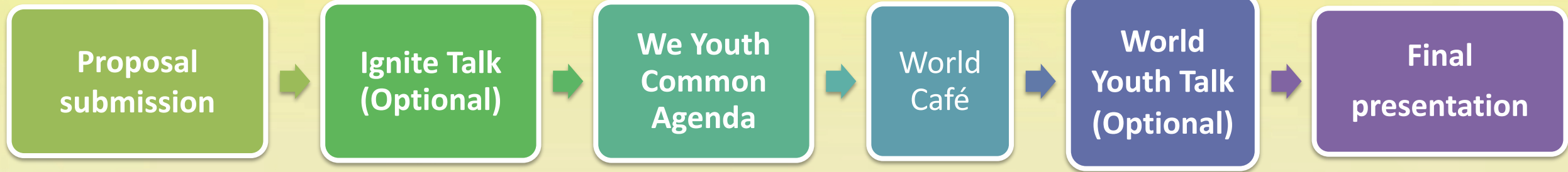
Round 2-5: A more targeted topic will be announced in the final session. Every "World Team" is expected to write a project report based on the topic and finally present it. The project should be featured in creativity, feasibility, and effectiveness. Among all the candidates, the first-ranking final project will be bestowed "**The Most Valuable Project(MVP)**"





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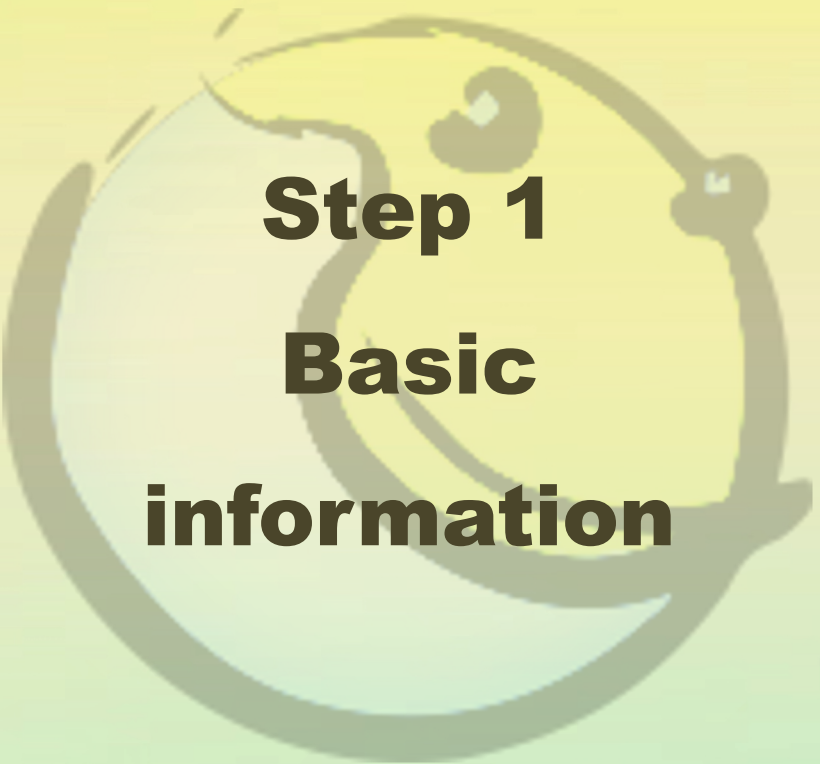
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Application Process

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Step 1 Basic information

- ❑ If you are interested in YICGG, please register as soon as possible. This will ensure that you receive the latest information from YICGG2023 Committee.
- ❑ For registration, please complete the form in the attachment named “YICGG2023-personal info-preliminary round”. Send this form with your CV(curriculum vitae) to our official mailbox: yicgg@hotmail.com
- ❑ You can also visit our website for more details: www.yicgg.fudan.edu.cn
- ❑ Deadline for registration: April 30th, 2023





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Step 2

Group Design for Creative Projects

- ❑ To participate in the first round of competition, you/your group need to submit your **proposal** to our official mailbox: yicgg@hotmail.com
- ❑ Deadline for submission: May 7th, 2023



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Step 3 Assessment & Result Release

- Based on your papers, the professional jury will decide the finalists who will be able to travel to Yunnan for the final, which will be released in May.
- Deadline for result release: May 28th, 2023



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Step 4 Confirmation

- All candidates will have 3 days to decide whether to participate in the second round. YICGG2023 Committee, on behalf of the School of International Relations and Public Affairs of Fudan University, will send an invitation letter to the participants after their confirmation.
- Deadline for confirmation: May 31st, 2023





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Step 5

Registration for Ignite Talk

- ❑ Candidates who want to participate in “Ignite Talk” ought to send an email to the official mailbox yicgg@hotmail.com attached with the speech outline based on the theme of the first round, approximately 150 to 200 words. Judges will select 20 candidates as “Ignite Talk” talkers.
- ❑ Deadline for the above two: June 11th, 2023



Eligibility Requirements

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Participant Requirements

- ❑ Participants should be undergraduates or graduates currently enrolled in any accredited colleges around the world.
- ❑ The YICGG2023 Committee reserves the right to verify the identities of the applicants.



Individual/Team Participation

- ❑ It is up to the applicants to decide whether to participate in YICGG2023 individually or as a team, which should be no more than 3 members. Both the individual and the team candidates will be assessed under the same criteria.



Format & Requirement

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- ❑ The report should be written in **English** with page numbers and the project title.
- ❑ The title page should include your/your group members' name , university, design date, and issue area. Set the font of main title to **20-point** Times New Roman, and that of the subtitle to **16-point** Times New Roman. Center the titles. The outline page should include the theme sentences and the outline.
- ❑ Set the font to **16-point** Times New Roman. Mark the main outlines in capital Roman numerals, and mark the secondary outlines in lower case English letter. Set the font of the text to **12-point** Times New Roman. Single spaced. Each paragraph should indent 1 each at the beginning of each paragraph.
- ❑ Reference pages should be appended after the main body on a separate page. Set the font to **12-point** Times New Roman and keep single spaced.



A. Text Format



Format & Requirement

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- ❑ The content and form of your project is variable. They can be conceptual discussion, policy suggestion, mechanism design, model building, simulated demonstration, etc.
- ❑ **【Compulsory】** The project should contain practical cases in your own country or city to give an overview relatively closed to practice. For multi-member groups, you can either choose to summarize cases from only one country or to review the practice of different countries.



B. Requirement



Format & Requirement

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□ **【Optional】** Candidates need to choose one of the following.

A. Theoretical Project (conceptual discussion, policy suggestion, etc.)

Please submit a research report of 8-10 pages of A4, including title, outline, text and references.

B. Operational Project (mechanism design, model building, simulated demonstration, etc.)

Please include background literature references. Please submit a design report of 3-4 pages of A4, including title and text, with syllabus and references optional. The design report should give a clear explanation on the structure, function and operation of the system. Were to present a physical model, participants should illustrate its making process including necessary pictures and materials.



B. Requirement

FAQ

Question 1:

Is there any fee for the YICGG2023?

- ❑ There is **no application fee** for YICGG2023. And YICGG2023 will **cover the overall fees generated during the 5-day final** including on-campus accommodation fees, facility fees, as well as certain meals.
- ❑ YICGG2023 will **buy just the single-way tickets to Yunnan** for participants, so participants should **cover their own probable travel expenses** from **Yunnan** to their home place.
- ❑ We strongly suggest you **seek funding support** from your home university, and supply subsidies which will be verified and allocated during the final in **Yunnan** according to our coupon policy.



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FAQ

Question 2:

Can teams be built across different universities?



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- Yes. Teams can be formed across schools if they can ensure that all team members are eligible for the competition.

FAQ

Question 3:

Will YICGG2023 provide long-term support?

- Yes. The research center for YICGG in Fudan University has been established to support mentorship and communication among all YICGG participants.



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FAQ

Question 4:

What prizes will the winners receive in YICGG?



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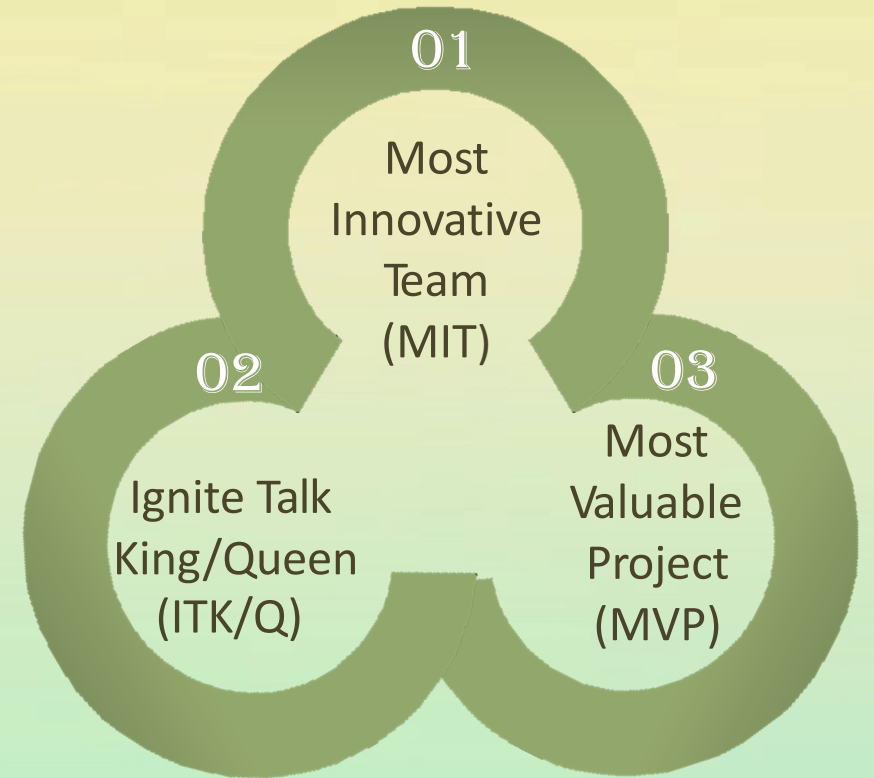
- ❑ All participants will receive **physical certificates** verifying their participation in the summit.
- ❑ According to the results of the 3-round selections, the first-place team/individuals will be awarded as follows:

FAQ

Question 4:

What prizes will the winners receive in YICGG?

- ❑ **MIT(Most Innovative Team):** According to your paper in the preliminary round.
Award: Guaranteed participation in YICGG2024.
- ❑ **ITK/Q(The Ignite Talk King/Queen):** According to personal behavior in Ignite Talk.
Award: Access to the final next year as youth representatives and a generous bonus.
- ❑ **MVP(Most Valuable Project):** According to world team proposals.
Award: Access to the final next year as youth representatives and a generous bonus.



We sincerely invite alumni who have participated in YICGG to fill out questionnaire “YICGG

Questionnaire to Alumni”

<https://f.wps.cn/g/SSaWveLh/>

If possible, please help us publicize YICGG in one of the following ways:

1. Form a team or participate as an individual.
2. Forward the invitation e-mail to the international relations/ engineering/ environment/ social science departments of your university.
3. Forward the invitation e-mail to the student communities on campus.
4. Forward the invitation e-mail to your university social network.
5. Invite more students to participate.

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