# THIRD WEBINAR UNDR SERIES "ENGINEERING THE FUTURE"

YOUNG ENGINEERS VOLUNTEERING FOR THE FUTURE







# ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUNG

# **ENGINEERS / FUTURE LEADERS**

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May 7, 2021 - WFFO Committee Chairs Meeting



World Federation of Engineering Organizations Fédération Mondiale des Organisations d'Ingénieurs



Engineers have a unique skill-set which can be valuable in a range of different areas. This session shared the experiences of young<br/>engineers who are committed to volunteering in their local communities and around the world to inspire the next generation and share their<br/>engineeringengineeringexpertisetomakeadifference.Panelistssharedbackgroundandtheirvolunteeringexperiences.

# **COLLOBORATION WITH EUROPEAN YOUNG** ENGINEERS (EYE)

## WATER REUSE FOR A SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRY - CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN A CIRCULAR ECONOMY

This session defined the barriers existing between politics, industry, and academia in regards to the promotion of water reuse in industry, to create a sound cohesion between the technical and natural world. The webinar promoted SDG 6 and young engineers.



## **WORLD ENGINEERING DAY (WED) 2021**

#### YOUNG ENGINEERS LEADING THE WAY: VIDEO CAMPAIGN

In celebration of the World Engineering Day (WED) 2021, the Young Engineers / Future Leaders Committee (YE/FL) and the Engineering for Innovative Technologies Committee (CEIT) of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO) invited young engineers from around the World to submit a video to showcase contributions that young engineers are making towards a more sustainable, resilient, and inclusive world. More than 40 young engineers from more than 20

countries, including many from the leading engineering universities of



the world, showcased their videos that highlighted the important role that young engineers play towards accelerating action towards sustainable development. All videos answered one of the following three questions:

- 1. What is the importance of engineering in working towards a more sustainable world?
- 2. What advice do you have for young engineers interested in making a positive impact in their community?
- 3. Share an example of how young engineers are already contributing to sustainable development.

Winner of **#YoungEngineers** Leading the Way: Video Campaign competition is:

Roshan TEELUCK, from The Institution of Engineers Mauritius (IEM) https://fb.watch/44LLZOfVB2/

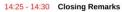
Runner up: Ludvig Vraadal from Association of Nordic Engineers, ANE. https://fb.watch/44LNZLQWJP/

## WORLD ENGINEERING DAY – ENGINEERING FOR A HEALTHY PLANET: CELEBRATING THE UNESCO ENGINEERING REPORT

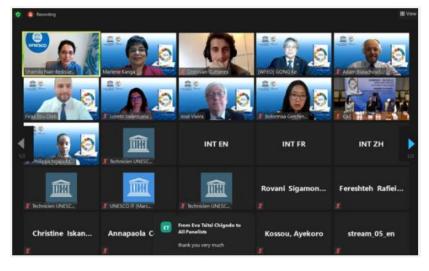
WORLD ENGINEERING DAY - YOUNG ENGINEERS PANEL DISCUSSION AT THE MAIN EVENT







Shamila Nair-Bedouelle, ADG/SC



Screenshot of speakers at the UNESCO-WFEO launch of the Second UNESCO Engineering Report, 4th March 2021

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The Next-Generation Mauritius: Smart, Resilient & Sustainable

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Introduction Mauritius celebrated its 50 years of independence two Mauntus cenebrate its 30 years of interpendence two years ago. It has been more than fifty years of nation building premised on the core values of good governance, rule of law, and also upholding human rights, and territorial integrity. Implementation of the Stuarinable Development Goals (SDG) is key to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is key to Mauritus future development. The Country moved from being a low income with the target of reaching a high-income country notwithstanding its inherent vulnerabilities as a Small Island Developing State devoid of natural resources, subjected to the oppression of distance, natural disasters and the officient of distance, natural disasters and the effects of climate change and highly vulnerable to external shocks. It has simultaneously invested in its welfare system spanning free education, health care, universal old age pension and other measures aimed at providing a minimum social protection to citizens.

Since the 1990s, countries have invested in information and communication technology and infrastructure renovations to create smart, machine-to-machine interactions aimed at achieving cost to-macine infractions anneed at achieving cost savings and imporving efficiency, governance and transparency within their communities. The smart city concept initially meant at dealing with numerous urban problems, in specific, those related to the urban environment and infrastructure. As it developed, the concept is now broadly used to Senior Transportation Engineer, Chair, Young Engineers / Future Leaders Committee at the World Federation of Engineering Organizations yefl-chair@wfeo.net quicken the process of urban management by using

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quicken the process of urban management by using IT technology with the availability of thig data. RCT and modern technology are considered the key aspect of the smart city concept. The developing world is in a motivating position to help lead the way forward as new models are defined and shaped. Phrases such as climate proceeding, empowerment, disaster planning and recovery, information access, resiliency, social equality, sustanability, technology justice and uthan competitiveness are finding their way into today's language.

The Country as a complex system should have the ability to be resilient, especially when technology fails either due to technical or natural disasters. This article aims to redefine the smart country concept in article aims to rederine the smart country concept in the context of planning using a resilience approach. Factors of resilience will lead to a soft infrastructure approach, such as enhancement in many aspects, e.g., knowledge inclusion, participation, social innovation, and social equity.

Small Island Developing States The concept of sustainability is very important in Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and this was primary recognized at the Earth Summit in 1992. The vulnerabilities of SIDS arise from a number of physical, socio-economic and

# FOURTH WEBINAR UNDR SERIES "ENGINEERING THE FUTURE"

### **YOUNG ENGINEERS = BOARD MEMBERS**

One of the challenges facing young engineers is having a "seat at the table" and understanding how organizations and companies operate. This discussion provided young engineers insights and a starting point to understanding company structure, in particular the role of the board and how young engineers can get involved.



## **4** COLLABORATION WITH FIDIC FUTURE LEADERS

FIDIC Future Leaders is the group of young professionals of the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC). Participation in the Future Leaders Management Certificate (FLMC) programme to strengthen the business expertise of young engineers and other professionals working in the field of consulting engineering. It also offers networking opportunities and an insight into FIDIC global activities



