



To:	YEFL Members
CC:	Jacques , WFEO Executive Director;
Subject:	YE/FL STC Meeting Minutes 2017
From:	Eng. Zainab Garashi, Chair, YE/FL STC;
Date & Time:	November 26, 2017- 29:00-13:00
Location:	Sheraton Roma Hotel, Rome

1. Welcome & Opening Remarks

1.1. Welcome Addresses

- Chairman

Thanked all the attendees for attending the meeting and urged the attendees to be the voice of YEFL and support all of the members who could not make it by trying to reach out to the other committees members and try to convince them to sponsor Young Engineers to attend such annual meetings and conference.

1.2. Presentation of Members

Attendees list attached

1.3. Presentation of Guests

Attendees list attached

2. Committee Internal Organizations

2.1. Committee Membership

Eng. Zainab showcased the existing list of YEFL members, currently 30 delegates have been named to the committee and but only a handful come to committee meetings each year. Further, we lack consistency in seeing the same faces year after year. This has created a revolving door effect within the committee and makes accomplishing committee goals quite difficult.

2.2. Summary of Year

- **2016 YEFL Peru Meeting**

- *Eng. Zainab mentioned that around 29 participants were present in this meeting. Gratitude towards the Peruvian YE's to participate in this meeting.*
- *Manual Asmat discussed the topics that took place over several items during the Peru Meeting.*
- *Eng. Zainab discussed the roundtable participation of a workshop with UNESCO in Egypt, as the workshop was about YE in the Arab Region and how we they can support 17 SDGs of UN for 2030.*
 - **WFEO YE/FL International Strategic Planning Forum, Stakeholder Collaboration for Global Integration of Youth in Industry - South America Region -**
- *Manuel Asmat discussed about the 3rd forum for the South America Region which was covered by Questionnaire as due to lack of participants we had to circulate a questionnaire among the students,*



university professor and Industry professionals to get their inputs for the forum in order to prepare a white paper for the South America Region.

- **ECOSOC Youth Forum**

- Eng. Zainab talked about how YEFL was approached by UN Major Group for Children & Youth through Donovan Guttieres- Focal point for Science – Policy Interface Platform from US and one of our YEFL member, to be a co-organizer for a side event “Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world” during the ECOSOC Youth forum by providing the YEFL logo.

- **UNESCO NGO Forum 2017 Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)**

- Eng. Zainab presented a report for her participation at the forum on 8th UNESCO NGO forum “Youth Social Impact” which took place in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 3-4 May 2017. Following are the highlights of the report:
- It was organized in partnership with MISK Foundation in KSA.
- There were several sessions held with high level panelist.
- The overall event was a very good forum in which you get an opportunity to open discussions and connections for collaborations.

- **UNESCO Plenary Session "Knowledge and Science for Development within LAS Arab SD week in Cairo (Egypt)**

- Eng. Zainab presented a report for her participation at the UNESCO regional Bureau for science and technology in the Arab states which was held from 14 - 18 May, 2017 in Cairo. Following are the highlights of the report:
- Eng. Zainab was invited as A panelist in the plenary session on the “transfer and localization of knowledge and technology in the Arab region” within the Arab week for Sustainable development.
- The focus of the participation was to bring the view of young generation during this event.
- Presented a Presentation on WFEO, focusing on the Arab Countries in WFEO.
- The session gathered with more than 1000 participants.

- **Preparation for this year activity**

- Eng. Zainab talked about the running of the activity for this year and our collaboration with our Italian organizers in particular our Special thanks to our friends Roberto & Francesco.

2.3. Involvement in other STC activities

- Eng. Zainab urged the members to attend the other standing committees meetings.
- Jafar filed out a list of members who are willing to attend other committee meetings so the YEFL would have a presence in the other committees and the chair requested the members to introduce themselves and mention that they are part of the YEFL when speaking at those meetings. Few of the attendees already have slots in the other committee meetings to present a presentation in their meetings.

3. Review & Comments on Committee meeting minutes in Peru, Dec 2016.

3.1. Matters rising from the minutes of the committee meeting in Peru Dec 2016.

3.2. Approval of Minutes of the committee meeting in Peru, Dec 2016.



Approved

4. International Strategic Forum Workshop

4.1 3rd International Strategic Forum Workshop, Peru- Dec 2016

Eng. Zainab discussed and explained the purpose of the forums is that to minimize the gap between young engineers and the industry needs and the target is to come out with a white paper for different ideas from different views. Attendees would be from the students, academia, and industry professionals to get the perspective of each category.

Eng. Zainab then mentioned the following previously held forums:

- 1 – Kuwait- Middle East region: 3 days event, each day was dedicated to certain area*
- 2- Japan- Asia Pacific Region: 1 day event*
- 3- Peru: Was covered by a questionnaire due to lack of attendance.*

5. YEFL events during WEF 2017, Rome

Eng. Zainab mentioned the brief description on organizing the 4th international strategic forum workshop focusing on Europe Region. And the participants were encouraged to attend this forum.

6. Cooperation with other Organizations

- Feras from Kuwait Suggested having an internship exchange program between member countries and societies which would benefit everyone and work as a way to help engineers grown and learn.*
- Ming Ming from China: We manage to organize some seminars for employees every week from professors to spread knowledge and that would sometimes be remote via video calling between countries from Oxford and California for example], We also have an annual conferences for students.*
- Mr. Marwan AbdelHamid- Past President WFEO added that training for young engineers to prepare them for the work field, for example, in china there are 42 million engineers that are members of [CAST China Association for Science and Technology] which acts as a national program for training.*

7. UN Goals

Eng. Zainab discussed about the UN Goals and its focus in particularly the two Goals which YEFL is committed on which are:

Goal 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Goal 8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

These goals are inline with our on going strategic forums.

8. Request to discuss various topics

8.1. Regional Updates

- Manuel Asmat- Peru (Peruvian National Association of Engineers)- Presentation Attached*
- Eleonora Smargiassi- Italy (International Federation of Consulting Engineers) {FIDIC}- Presentation Attached*
- Jaffar Abdulrasol- Kuwait (Engineers Without Boarder-KW) Presentation Attached*
- Carolina Herrera- Colombia (Colombian Society of Engineers) Presentation Attached*



- German Munoz- Colombia (Pan- American Engineers Association Union)- Presentation Attached
- Milène Guermont- Ingénieurs et Scientifiques de France (IESF) Presentation Attached

9. Matters Arising

10. Website & Social Media

Eng. Zainab mentioned that our YEFL secretary Christopher Chukwunta from Nigeria is responsible for handling our website and does the needful. If anybody has any comments or ideas they are welcomed to share with us.

11. Next WFEO YE/FL Meetings

11.1. United Kingdom- 2018

A discussion took place among the attendees of the meeting and a proposal was given to have a networking event during the conference since the Europe region has been covered in Italy.

12. Any other business

South Africa volunteered and agreed to host the YEFL strategic forum 2019 for Africa Region during one of their events.

13. Closing Remarks

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