

2014 JCI World Congress Declaration

Inspired by the Spirit of Leipzig, Germany

We, the Chief Delegates, representatives of JCI from 127 countries, at the 2014 JCI World Congress in Leipzig, Germany;

Inspired by the spirit of Leipzig, the city of the peaceful revolution that led to the collapse of the Berlin Wall transforming the history of the world;

Conscious of the global challenge of youth unemployment;

Driven by the fact that secure, clean and affordable energy is necessary for the sustainable development of communities for future generations;

Embracing the need for a passionate spirit of collaboration between people, communities and nations;

We hereby call on local, national and global leaders to take action as follows:

1. Develop a strong commitment to fight youth unemployment.
2. Set an agenda for secure, clean and affordable energy preserving our planet for the next generation.
3. Ignite a renewed sense of collaboration between people, communities and countries.
4. Provide an educational system that drives entrepreneurial spirit and builds a culture of economies founded on business creation.

As active citizens dedicated to local, national and global development, and inspired by the collective commitment of young people across 127 countries and 5000 communities, we hereby declare our commitment to:

1. Develop and implement programs enhancing vocational skills and providing job training knowledge to young people worldwide.
2. Work toward inspiring, educating and taking action for the acceptance and development of efficient and renewable energy.
3. Uphold core values of societal development as we enhance collaboration and support between countries, especially those experiencing socioeconomic changes.
4. Empower young people with entrepreneurial skills enabling the creation of small and independent businesses.

As we embark on our journey to 2015 and beyond, we make these commitments to ensure the voices of young people are heard across the globe and to take action for sustainable positive change, as we JCI celebrate 100 years of impact.

Dated this 28th day of November 2014 in Leipzig, Germany