



2019 MAB Youth Action Plan

Regional Action Plan: IberoMAB Youth Network

IberoMAB Youth Declaration

1. Create the Ibero-American and Caribbean Biosphere Reserves Youth Network.
2. Establish multidisciplinary work teams under the three functions of the biosphere reserves (conservation, development and logistic support) that are balanced in terms of interculturality and gender.
3. Support the creation of proposals and action plans at the national level that strengthen the development of an effective agenda in the biosphere reserves.
4. Select a in a democratic way and with parity criteria a youth representative from each biosphere reserve and one representative by country, to participate directly in the governance bodies of the biosphere reserves and the IberoMaB Network.
5. Request the official presentation of our network in UNESCO mechanisms.
6. Create a virtual platform for IberoMAB youth to include information on projects, financing, education opportunities, exchanges and research to address the challenges facing youth.
7. Follow up and support through joint participation the work of the IberoMAB youth network by UNESCO.
8. Generate communication material to disseminate the importance and work of the IberoMAB Biosphere Reserves.
9. Promote the use of virtual platforms and social media as empowerment mechanisms to transmit information about biosphere reserves and the contributions of youth.
10. Promote the exchange of knowledge among young people through biennial participatory meetings and virtual seminars at all levels.
11. Contribute and promote traditional ecological knowledge and good practices in biosphere reserves.
12. Be part of initiatives that promote the development of the Biosphere Reserve brand in the different countries that make up IberoMAB.
13. Influence institutions in the generation of employment opportunities and entrepreneurship for the youth of the IberoMAB biosphere reserves, which are in accordance with the values of the MAB Programme and the Sustainable Development Goals.
14. Support actions and initiatives that condemn crimes against the environment and the integrity of those who defend it; so as to ensure the protection of natural resources

Communication issues

- **Social Media: Facebook, Instagram, Gmail**

3 community managers (Chile, El Salvador y San Cristobal)

- **Share Information**

Application to network – Zapiens- 3 months try 7 countries

Google Drive – Web Library – Format Uruguay

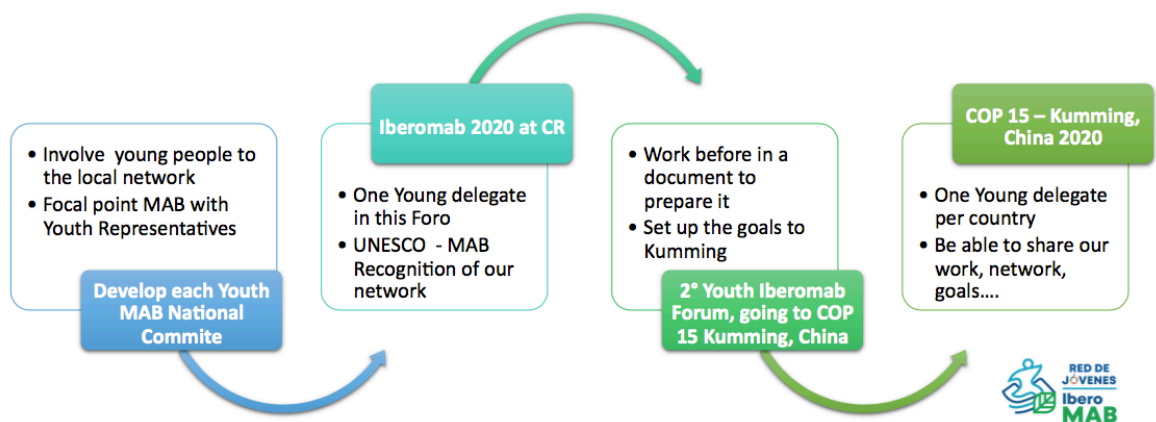
- **News and Activities**

WhatsApp group, already created

- **Conferences and group calls**

Zoom application

Timeline Action Plan



Regional Coordinators

South America: Diego Aguirre Gonzalez (Ecuador)

Central America and the Caribbean: Cassandra Saint Jean (Haiti)

Iberian peninsula: Rodrigo Lopez Piquin (Spain)

MAB – GYBN Facilitator: Cecilia Laporte (Uruguay)

EuroMAB Youth Action Plan

Platform of coordination: Whatsapp

Sharing: Slack

Meetings: via skype, 1st meeting in one month (doodle)

Coordination:

- Alicia May (Norway)
- Mario Benkoč (Slovenia)
- Ana Victoria Magalhaes (Portugal)

Actions:

Timeline	Actions
September 2019	<i>Build up internal communications and coordination of EuroMAB Youth</i>
October – November 2019	<i>Presentation of the 2019 MAB Youth Forum declaration and EuroMAB Action Plan + youth advocacy on MAB declaration</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biosphere reserves;• MAB National Committees;• CBD National Focal Point;• Local Youth Groups.
Spring 2020	<i>Advocacy campaign for Youth seat at MAB National Committees</i>
Autumn 2019 early 2020 before COP15	<i>Scientific and Academic outreach</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Giving talks + events in higher education institutions (advocacy for BR higher education)• Sharing existing resources (database – smart biosphere, etc.)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing article/paper about the MAB Youth results and the declaration
2021 2020 - 2021	<p><i>Youth events at EuroMAB 2021</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EuroMAB event in Austria • Subregional Youth meetings / conferences / workshops
Oct.-Nov. 2019 -> Oct.-Nov. 2019 Spring 2020	<p><i>Public outreach & external communication</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newsletter (sharing stories about our work, BRs etc.) • EuroMAB Facebook page • EuroMAB website
Early winter 2019	<p><i>Capacity building</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional webinars & networking (sharing ideas, knowledge and experience) • Working groups creation
November – winter 2019/20	<p><i>Strengthening relationships for international policy & action</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating GYBN chapter

Regional Action Plan: AfriMAB

AfriMAB Youth “Creating a momentum for BRs in Africa For Youth By Youth”

Priority Actions to implement MAB Youth Forum 2019 Declaration in AfriMAB

- 1- Dialogue with the MAB Committee (National and Regional) to share the declaration and the action plan.
- 2- Dialogue with CBD and Climate focal point to share our declaration and identify space for collaboration
- 3- Raise-awareness on BR and role of youth community by engaging AfriMAB Youth in different international processes (Biodiversity: OEWG2, OEWG3, COP15, COP25 (Climate Change) and others, e.g IUCN congress, ...) using different platform such as social media
- 4- Build our capacities to get deeper understanding on the different international policy (such as CBD and UNFCCC,...) by collaborating with other constituencies within these conventions (GYBN, Youngo,...) to spread our BR concept

Timeline	What
Back from Forum	-Reach out AfriMAB Committee and Our respective National MAB Committee to have dialogue (declaration and action plan) through online or in person meeting
30 Sept AfriMAB Forum in Cote d'Ivoire	- Present the MAB Youth Forum 2019 at AfriMAB Forum (delegate from Cote d'Ivoire) - Online advocacy using the AfriMAB Forum # “Story telling on BRs and Youth in AfriMAB” (lead by the delegate here and their community back their country”
UNFCCC December COP25	- Before UNFCCC, Build our capacities on policy processes (Climate, Biodiversity,...) by working closer with the existing youth constituencies in these processes through Webinars or workshop/Training - Before UNFCCC, Dialogue with Climate Focal point to present declaration and seek a joint meeting with MAB National committee - Seek possibilities to have delegates in UNFCCC to bring our key messages from our declaration to the process through side event, plenary or any open space for youth to engage
OEWG 2 Feb	- Before meeting, Build our capacities on policy processes (Climate, Biodiversity,...) by working closer with the existing youth constituencies in these processes through Webinar or workshop/Training - Before meeting, Dialogue with CBD Focal point to present declaration and see a joint meeting with MAB National committee - Seek possibilities to have delegates in meeting to bring our key messages from our declaration to the process through side event, plenary or any open space for youth to engage - Have an online campaign how BR and young have played a role to achieve the Aichi Targets
GYBN Summit	- seek a space for AfriMAB Youth Community to show case on how BR and young people activities to achieve “Living in harmony with Nature” (for side event, plenary,...)
IUCN	- seek a space for AfriMAB Youth Community to show case on how BR and young people activities to achieve “Living in harmony with Nature” (for side event, plenary,...)

OEWG 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before meeting, Build our capacities on policy processes (Climate, Biodiversity,...) by working closer with the existing youth constituencies in these processes through Webinar or workshop/Training - Before meeting, Dialogue with CBD Focal point to present declaration and see a joint meeting with MAB National committee - Seek possibilities to have delegates in meeting to bring our key messages from our declaration to the process through side event, plenary or any open space for youth to engage - Have an online campaign how BR and young have played a role to achieve the Aichi Targets
COP15	- Work Closer with GYBN

The volunteer committee to ensure the momentum is there:

Committee Members

- Prosper- Rwanda
- Oumou- Mali
- Chim- Malawi
- Vanessa- Central Africa Republic

Platform of coordination: Facebook and Whatsapp

Regional Action Plan: ArabMAB

TIMELINE	WHAT	OUTCOME
End of Sept.	Contact national focal point	Inform about declaration, contact regional focal point
First Week of October	Contact the BR's in the country	Share the declaration with the BR's
Mid October	Contact MoE, MoA, MoT	Share the declaration with ministries
Mid October	Contact UNESCO	Send invitation to youth in BR's to form a national platform
Mid November	Contact all youth from BR's and other environmental Ngo's and stakeholder	Create a national platform
Dec	Contact MAB focal point and CBD focal point	Meeting between national network and focal points for an update about CBD
Dec	Communicate on national platform	Create videos and posters on climate change (UNFCC visibility)
Jan -Feb	Communicate on national platform	Conduct environmental awareness activities in schools, some videos and posters for social media (CBD summit visibility)

Regional Action Plan: ArabMAB

Members:

Reem Abdalgium – Sudan

Nourhan Ahmed – Egypt

Yusra Aissadui – Tunis

Rawya Bou Hussein - Lebanon

Regional Action Plan: Asia Pacific Man and Biosphere (MAB) Youth Network

Priority Actions

1. Establish MAB Youth Networks at the national level
2. Build capacities of the members of the Asia Pacific MAB Youth Network on the UNESCO MAB Programme and on various international agreements and processes (Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Post 2020 Framework) on biodiversity conservation and climate change
3. Connect with MAB National Committee and CBD National Focal Point to present the 2019 MAB Youth Forum Declaration and identify areas of collaboration
4. Launch database for Biosphere Reserves (BRs) research through active engagement with the academe
5. Collaborate and partner with other regional MAB youth networks (EuroMAB, IberoMAB, AfriMAB, and ArabMAB)
6. Raise awareness and promote programmes and activities of Asia Pacific MAB Youth through active social media campaign (Facebook and Instagram pages)
7. Establish an online platform for communication among the members of the Asia Pacific MAB Youth (Facebook Closed Group/WhatsApp)

The network shall also ensure its active participation in various international agreements and processes and lobby consultation results towards the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP15):

Timeline	Action Plan
Back from Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Connect with respective National MAB and Regional MAB Committees to present the declaration and action plans through meetings online and offline - Contact CBD National and Regional Focal Points to present the declaration and action plans through meetings online and offline - Create online platform for communication among members of the Asia Pacific MAB Youth Network
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) COP25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Online campaign to reduce plastic waste - Youth consultations at the national level in partnership with GYBN
Open-ended Working Group (OEWG) 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth consultations at the national level in partnership with GYBN
Global Youth Biodiversity Summit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Showcase consultations results - Hold essay/photo/video competitions - Youth consultations at the national level in partnership with GYBN
International Union for Conservation of Nature -World Congress Convention (IUCN-WCC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct a monitoring survey on BRs within Asia and the Pacific - Launch database for BRs research - Publish results of the monitoring survey to feed to the IUCN red list - Youth consultations at the national level in partnership with GYBN
OEWG 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth consultations at the national level in partnership with GYBN - Consolidate outcomes of youth consultations by May 2020 in lieu of COP15
COP15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage volunteer platforms in universities at the national and regional levels for BRs

Asia Pacific MAB Youth Members

Australia -	Paul Mukhin
Bhutan -	Ngawang Lekdhen Samten
Cambodia -	Nara Chan
China -	Yun Ha
India -	Hima Nair
Indonesia -	Radisti Ayu Praptiwi
Japan -	Tomonori Tasaki
Malaysia -	Carol Alexius
Mongolia -	Enkhgerel Batkhuyag
Philippines -	Kathereen Jane Sapungen
Republic of Korea -	Miyeon Yoo
Sri Lanka -	Dilan Rasika Dissanayake
Uzbekistan -	Mamanbek Reimov
Vanuatu -	Filya Alexi Bill
Vietnam -	Yen Ha

Asia Pacific GYBN Focal Points

Philippines -	Josefa Isabel Tauli
	Kier Mitchell Pitago
Singapore -	Karl Png
	Mika Mei Jia Tan

Social Media Managers/Moderators (FB/IG)

Yen Ha – Viet Nam
Tomonori Tasaki – Japan
Hima Nair - India

Regional Coordinators

Kathereen Jane Sapungen – Southeast Asia (SeaBRnet)
Mamanbek Reimov – Central Asia (SACAM)
Paul Mukhin – Pacific (PacMAB)
Yun Ha – East Asia (EABRN)