

# Young ICT Leaders' Forum



## Busan Global Smart Cities Challenge

27 - 28 September 2017 APEC Hall, BEXCO, Busan, R.O. Korea

### Young ICT Leaders' Forum 2017

The Young ICT Leaders' Forum 2017 will take place in Busan city, Republic of Korea from 27 to 28 September 2017. It will be held in conjunction with **ITU Telecom World** (<https://telecomworld.itu.int>), the leading UN tech event for governments, corporates and SMEs focused this year on "Smart digital transformation."

The Young ICT Leaders' Forum 2017 is jointly organized by ITU and Busan Metropolitan City and gathers together youth from worldwide in order to learn and to share ideas about ICT development and innovations. It is also a platform where the participants can pursue their career advancement and opportunities to realize their entrepreneurship through a network of professionals and experts as well as capacity building programme.

The Forum will be conducted in English. To participate, please complete the online application form available at the website. ([www.youngictleadersforum.com](http://www.youngictleadersforum.com))

The Young ICT Leaders' Forum is open for participants in the age group of between **18 and 35 years old** and from any sectors and organizations such as public sector, industry and private sector, academia and R&D organizations, media and journalists, and etc. ITU and Busan Metropolitan City will provide **10 fellowships** which cover round-trip air ticket, full accommodation, transportation and meals throughout the period of Young ICT Leaders' Forum 2017.

Those who wish to apply for fellowships must complete the online registration form with an essay describing an issue or problem in their respective home country/town and suggest an idea how ICTs can help address the problem. Selection for fellowship awards will be made based on these essays and qualifications of applicants. Application must be submitted online through the website no later than **28 August 2017**.

The Young ICT Leaders' Forum (YILF) is a **platform for the Youth** from worldwide to gather together in order to **learn and to share ideas about ICT development and innovations**. It is also a forum where they can pursue their **career advancement and opportunities to realize their entrepreneurship through a network of professionals and experts as well as capacity building programme**.

- Promoting the engagement youth in the field of Information and Communication Technologies
- Promoting research on emerging ICT technologies, particularly Internet of Things (IoT)
- Narrowing the digital divide

YILF 2015



YILF 2016



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### Application & Fellowship

Application must be submitted online through the website no later than **28 August 2017**. A copy of passport and Resume/CV must be submitted together with the online application. Application with an endorsement from a government or an organization/company must have a letter of endorsement submitted together with the online application. Application can be submitted as an individual person or a team. However, only one fellowship will be provided to a selected application. If other team members wish to participate in the Busan Global Smart Cities Challenge 2017 and/or Young ICT Leaders' Forum 2017, s/he must register in online registration and stating that s/he is a team member of the selected application.

ITU and Busan Metropolitan City will select and provide **20 fellowships** including round-trip air ticket, hotel accommodation, transportation and meals to applicants who submit most feasible and interesting ideas.

The Young ICT Leaders' Forum 2017 will incorporate "BusanGlobal Smart Cities Challenge" which is an open competition platform for young people to present their innovative ideas on harnessing the power of digital technologies in making a city smarter, safer, and friendlier to the environment, thereby improving the quality of life of the citizens.

The competition divides into the following categories in that competing ideas should be relevant to one of them:

- Building Smart Cities: transforming lives
- AI/FinTech for Smart Cities
- IoT and Security
- CSRs and the SDGs

Four winners (one for each category) who have outstanding ideas will be awarded cash-prizes supported by forum sponsors.

### Busan Global Smart Cities Challenge

Busan Global Smart Cities Challenge (BGSCC) is a global competition platform for young people to present their innovative ideas on harnessing the potentials of digital technologies in making a city smarter, safer, and friendlier to the environment, thereby improving the quality of life of the citizens.

Since 2016, BGSCC has been part of the annual Young ICT Leaders' Forum an open competition.



### Website & Contact

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