Common Futures Conversations

Objectives

- To address the disconnect between young people and traditional policy-making processes at both a national and international level.

- To use digital dialogues to give young people the opportunity to enhance their understanding of major international policy challenges, connect with peers and develop their own ideas on how to solve these challenges in an international space.

- To give young people a ‘seat at the table’ in discussions on major international policy challenges where their voices are presently overlooked or absent.

- To foster more global co-operation on controversial and highly-debated issues.

Tools & Methodology

- 27 Country Representatives

- 3 Workshops for survey design, content and format ideation, and beta testing

- Social Media and local campaigns

- Results analysis and reporting

SOLUTION

- Digital hub (peers & stakeholders)

- CFC communities for local events

SDGs in Focus

1. NO POVERTY
2. QUALITY EDUCATION
3. DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
4. CLIMATE ACTION

PILOT TIMELINE

FEBRUARY 2019 - FEBRUARY 2020
The Common Futures Conversations survey asked 3,487 young people from 13 countries across Africa and Europe to consider a list of political issues, and then prioritize them, including which issue most affects their own country and which most affects the world. When comparing global with national concerns, the survey data shows their answers were significantly different.

**Figure 3:** What do you see as the most important issue facing the world in 2019?

![Bar chart showing the most important issues facing the world in 2019](image)

Dataset: CFC13.

**Figure 1:** What do you see as the most important issue facing your country?

![Bar chart showing the most important issues facing countries](image)

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**Figure 2:** What do you see as the most important issue facing your country?

![Bar chart comparing Africa and Europe](image)

Dataset: CFC13, Africa–Europe Comparison.