



Youth Agvocate Summit

What: The Youth Agvocate Summit (YAS) is a unique opportunity for young leaders to be inspired by global opinion leaders, create a vision for the future of food and agriculture, and deliver lasting actions to one of humanity's greatest challenges: how to feed a growing world population in a sustainable manner. Young and hungry minds from around the world will have the opportunity to participate in the YAS, expenses paid, through an application contest. At the Summit they create lasting global networks, and define real solutions – whether large or small – that can be implemented in future careers and for the betterment of society as a whole. Till date, three editions (2013: Calgary, Canada; 2015: Canberra, Australia; 2017: Brussels, Belgium) of the Youth Ag Summit have taken place.

Why: The United Nations predict that by 2050, the planet's population will reach 9.7 billion people, which will create pressure on increasing the food supply in a sustainable manner with limited resources and less available arable land. Solutions that revolve around the UN Sustainability Goals (SDGs) are keenly debated in both rural and urban communities and depend on visionary thinking, courage and creativity.

Overarching theme: Feeding a Hungry Planet

When & where: The next Youth Ag Summit will take place from November 4-6, 2019 in Brasília, Brazil.

Who: 100 delegates, aged 18-25, from around the world who are personally, professionally and academically interested in agriculture, international development, environmental stewardship, food security, biotechnology and/or farming. The delegates have a social conscience and care about the welfare of others locally and around the globe, discussing the overall question on how to feed a hungry planet. Besides that, they have strong advocacy skills and an appetite to advocate for food and agriculture in their online and/or offline networks.

How: Our goal is to inspire these bright, young minds to not only think, but to act – becoming advocates and causing real change by implementing what they have learned. Our delegate promise is:

1. To challenge – by broadening their perspective and beliefs
2. To inspire – by giving them new tools and ways to succeed
3. To grow – by exposing them to a global community who cares and supports them

Initiators: The Youth Ag Summit is organized by the Agricultural Education Program team of Bayer's Crop Science Division, in conjunction with the Brazilian organizations of Nuffield and AIESEC.



About Nuffield International Farming Scholars

Nuffield International Farming Scholars program promotes, develops, and inspires leaders in agriculture. Nuffield Scholars are producers and agri-professionals between 25 and 45 years of age who travel globally to explore issues and opportunities in agriculture. With a network of more than 1.700 Nuffield Scholars around the world, participants are able to grow personally and professionally through experiential travel and investigation of contemporary issues in agriculture. Components of a Nuffield scholarship include participating in the program's annual conference, small group travel, and individual excursions to over 10 countries. For more information, go to www.nuffieldinternational.org and www.nuffield.com.br.

About AIESEC

AIESEC is a global platform of young leaders under the age of 30 (students and recent graduates), who strive to better themselves and the communities around them, and to explore and develop their leadership potential. They are passionate about world issues, leadership development and cultural understanding and want to develop themselves through practical experiences as a Global Volunteer, Talent or Entrepreneur. For more information, go to www.aiesec.org and www.aiesec.org.br.

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