Youth Connect

Youth Community Resilience to Climate Change in the Mekong Delta (Y-CoRe)

Project's phase One recap

During phase One (from March to November 2023), an inclusive platform was constructed to develop a network of young people willing to act for the sustainability of the VMD (Vietnamese Mekong Delta) under complex climate change impacts.

Time	Activities
28 March 2023	**Project Launch** The Y-CoRe project was introduced at an opening ceremony on 28 March 2023. During the event, measures were discussed to promote youth participation in response to climate change, with the aim of building a network of young people equipped with the knowledge, skills, ambition and readiness to act, in the Mekong Delta in particular and the region in general. The event attracted 150 participants.
29 March – 2 April 2023	**Training the Trainers (TOT)** TOT included six-day interactive training sessions with two UK master trainers and two Vietnamese trainers for 36 students from the VMD. Through this event, core youth leaders were equipped with the necessary skills and knowledge to implement climate change action innitiatives.
20–23 April 2023	**Cascade training on youth-led initiatives to respond to climate change in the Mekong Delta** The cascaded training aimed to develop a cohesive and effective group of young leaders to lead and support climate change action initiatives. 174 young people joined three-day training sessions to gain

	a better understanding of climate change and gender equality, as well as to develop ideas for collective social action projects.
1 August 2023	**Mid-term dissemination event** The mid-term dissemination event adopted a creative marketplace concept structured around three lenses of approach – science, art and communications – to showcase project progress, offering 28 social action projects the opportunity to share ideas and collect suggestions for their mid-term report. The meeting played an important role in inspiring, motivating and connecting members of the Y-CoRe network to optimise resource mobilisation for the final month of Phase One with optimal efficiency.
24 October 2023	**Youth forum on promoting youth engagement in climate actions in the Mekong Delta and exhibition showcasing 15 social action projects** This forum created an open, direct discussion between youth participants and relevant stakeholders on their roles and responsibilities in climate change response, and how to engage youth activities and actions in response to climate change impacts. It also showcased 15 social action projects in a public exhibition. There were multiple presentations and a panel talk on the current state of climate change and how to improve youth capacity to respond to climate change impacts in the Mekong Delta. The Forum recognised 61 participants of the Y-CoRe project, and attracted an audience of 642, including one Key Opinion Leader, Le Nguyen Bao Ngoc, Miss Intercontinental 2022.
24–25 October 2023	**Media Training** A two-day media session was hosted for Can Tho University students to provide an overview of the media system in Viet Nam and media trends on digital platforms, and to equip them with the necessary skills to work in the industry, including video filming and editing, presentation skills and communication with the press.
1 November 2023	**Closing ceremony of the Y-CoRe project phase One on facilitating youth engagement to promote community resilience to climate change in the Mekong Delta**

	The event re-emphasised the important role of young people in response to climate change and summarised all the achievements obtained in phase One, as well as setting out the strategy for phase Two, focusing on raising awareness and enhancing partnerships to expand the scale of the project. At the event, 71 young leaders and stakeholders also had the opportunity to share their experience and opinions relating to climate change.