

Youth Connect

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

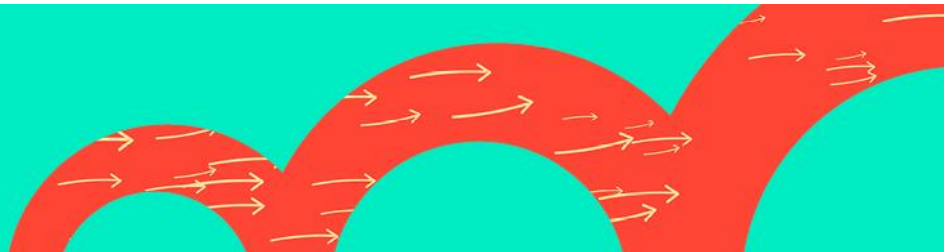
Project's phase Two recap

Building on the success of phase One, phase Two continues to generate inclusive impacts and enhance community resilience to climate change through various activities.

Phase Two expands the beneficiaries to university lecturers, students and communities to maintain and develop the youth network in the VMD (Vietnamese Mekong Delta).

Time	Activities
12–13 January 2024	<p>Y-CoRe project stakeholder meeting on integration of climate change and environmental literacy into education and training activities in general and higher education in the Mekong Delta</p> <p>The meeting was held among students, academic staff and representatives from governmental/ non-governmental institutions to discuss the integration of sustainable development, climate change, and environment education into the university curriculum in the Mekong Delta.</p>
31 March – 4 April 2024	<p>Training the Trainers (TOT)</p> <p>24 lecturers from four universities and one District Youth union in the Mekong Delta joined a four-and-a-half day training course based on the British Council's Climate Skills Toolkit. The training was delivered by a UK trainer and national Youth Connect Programme facilitators of the British Council in Viet Nam. Afterwards, the lecturers were equipped to cascade training to their students and initiate social action projects together to tackle climate change and gender inequality challenges in their communities.</p>

June – August 2024	Cascade training A series of cascade training sessions was conducted in Can Tho University, Tra Vinh University and Dong Thap University for 118 participants from June to August 2024 to develop ideas for climate and gender equality action projects using difference approaches (arts, communication, scientific innovation, education, etc.). The training was delivered by national Youth Connect Programme facilitators and previously-trained local facilitators.
1–5 July 2024	90 Youth Voices for the Future Through this programme, the young leaders (Phan Ky Trung, Tran Nguyen Hoang Long and Nguyen Tran Mai Chi) had the opportunity to take part in both online and in-person workshops, exploring themes such as building inclusive communities and spaces, using digital technology for positive impact and introducing green spaces to urban areas. During the journey, the three Vietnamese participants listened to inspiring insights from policymakers and youth organisations across the UK. They also enjoyed cultural immersion through visits to historic landmarks in the cities they travelled to, including London and Cardiff.
16 November – 7 December 2024	Y-CoRe Youth Exchange Programme with the University of South Wales, UK Three Y-CoRe network members (Nguyen Duc Trung, Nguyen Hoang Tan and Le Thi Mai Thy) represented Viet Nam in an exchange programme at the University of South Wales. They had the chance to share their innovative social action projects addressing climate change issues in the Mekong Delta and their commitment for a sustainable greener future. They also connected with young leaders from the Youth Forum at Grange Pavilion in Cardiff to exchange ideas on youth empowerment in both Wales and Viet Nam.
6 December 2024	Stakeholder meeting and discussion on Lower Mekong region sustainable development Over 200 Vietnamese youth and experts from the UK, Indonesia, Thailand, Laos and Myanmar attended the event to exchange knowledge on cross-border sustainable development challenges. In addition, the Youth-centred UK-Mekong Actions for Sustainability network was officially launched to foster collaboration and co-create solutions for the region's key sustainability challenges.



3 April 2025

Y-CoRe project dissemination, youth action showcasing and dialogue

Over 100 youth delegates participated in the Y-CoRe Dissemination Workshop. The event featured dynamic discussions, numerous youth-led initiatives and valuable lessons learned from the project. Through this event, young participants had the opportunity to engage with experts, distinguished delegates and relevant stakeholders, contributing practical solutions to enhance community resilience, particularly in the Mekong Delta, against the impacts of climate change. This marks another step forward in the youth journey toward sustainable local development.