

FLYWAY YOUTH FORUM 2020

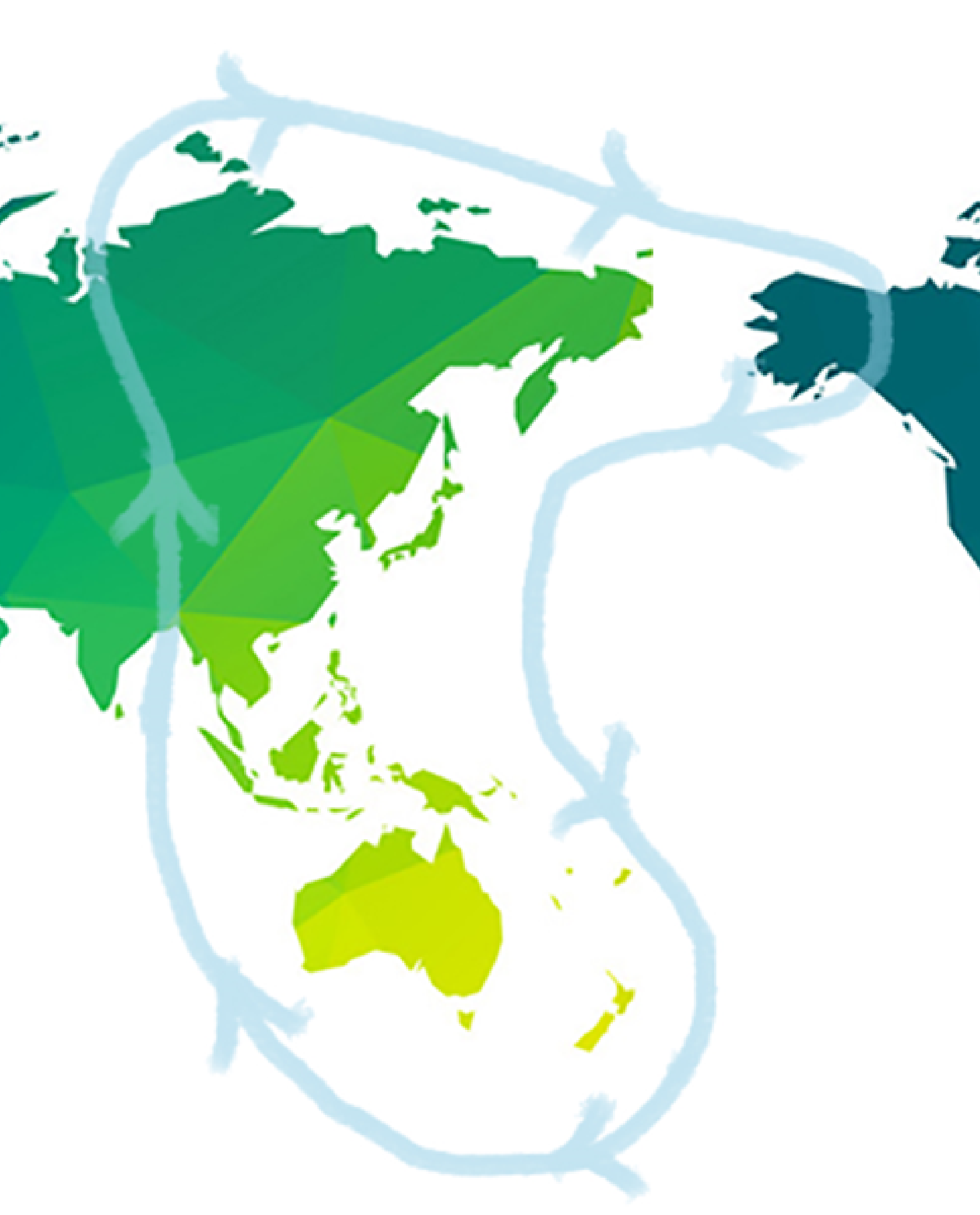
Program Brief



About FYF 2020

The Flyway Youth Forum is the first ever international youth event organized by the East-Asian Australasian Flyway and Youth Engaged in Wetlands, that aims to connect youth leaders, scientists, activists, artists, and conservationists in the East Asian-Australasian Flyway through a series of intensive virtual workshops, platform exchanges, and networking activities.





The Flyway

The routes that migratory waterbirds traverse on an annual basis are known as 'flyways'. There are nine major flyways around the world.

The East Asian–Australasian Flyway (EAAF) is one of the largest flyways in the world and it stretches from the Russian Far East and Alaska, southwards through East and Southeast Asia, to Australia and New Zealand. The EAAF encompasses 22 countries, and is home to over 50 million migratory waterbirds of more than 210 species.

The Organizers

Recognizing that no single site or country can protect all the migratory waterbirds along the flyway, international collaboration is vital. That is why, in 2006, a partnership was launched to conserve migratory waterbirds, their habitat and the livelihoods of people who depend on them. This partnership is called the East Asian — Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP).

As of 2020, the EAAFP is made up of 39 Partners and it continues to expand. This is a unique partnership which includes partners in all sectors and it provides a flyway-wide framework to promote dialogue, cooperation and collaboration among a range of stakeholders.

LEARN MORE AT: <https://www.eaaflyway.net/>



The Organizers

Youth Engaged in Wetlands or "YEW" is an international youth team committed to the conservation, protection, and wise-use of wetlands. YEW provides a global platform for young people to enable and empower them to help support the mission of The Ramsar Convention on Wetlands.

LEARN MORE AT: <https://www.youthengagedinwetlands.com/>



The Youth Forum will provide a platform for young people to share thoughts, ideas and experience. In small breakout sessions during the training sessions, each participant has a chance to raise and express their thoughts. An intergenerational dialogue will be created between youth and diverse actors in the field of conservation such as research institutes, organizations and governance bodies. At the end of the Youth Forum, the participants will engage in drafting a Declaration on wetlands and migratory waterbirds conservation which is proposed to be delivered mainly during EAAFP's 11th Meeting of Partners (MOP11) and the Ramsar Convention's 14th Conference of the Parties (COP).

Youth Voices & Dialogue

Capacity Building & Empowerment

The Youth Forum will include a series of capacity building and training workshops to provide key introductory training sessions on topics related to the field of W&MW Conservation. By filling basic capacity building gaps of youth around engaging in conservation on wetlands and migratory waterbirds, we hope to build greater confidence among young people, and provide a starting point for further training and opportunities for coordinated action at the level of the Flyway and beyond.

From Discussion to Action

One of the key objectives of this Forum is to capacitate and empower an active group of youth as agents of change and provide a starting point for coordinated action at the level of the Flyway and beyond. This forum provides the space for the development of coordinated action by youth themselves.



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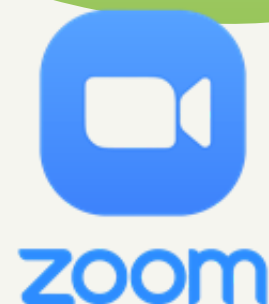
Pre-forum Session:
November 21, 2020

SETTING THE SCENE

Pre-forum

introduction and preparation 1.5 week
before the official start of the Flyway
Youth Forum

made possible by Online Event Platforms:



Day 1: November 28, 2020

SETTING THE SCENE

- Opening Ceremony
- Flyway Youth Forum Introduction
- EAFFP & YEW Presentation
- Youth Group Presentations

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Day 2: November 29, 2020

TRAINING

- Introduction & Ice breakers
- Plenary workshop: "Youth Advocacy in Global Policy Agendas"
- Plenary communication workshop: "A Voice for Our Wetlands"

Day 3: December 5, 2020

TRAINING

- Introduction & Ice breakers
- Plenary workshop: "Local Community Engagement"
- Breakout session A: "Field & Research Monitoring"
- Breakout session B: "Environmental Justice & Engaging Marginalized Youth"

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Day 4: December 6, 2020

Post-forum session

INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE

- Introduction & Ice breakers
- Intergenerational Dialogue
- Action Planning
- Youth Declaration
- Closing Ceremony

**Final Youth Declaration Announcement &
Next Steps**

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Deadline: October 30, 2020



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