

Dear Principal/ Civic Education Panel Chairperson:

Plan International Hong Kong – City University of Hong Kong
‘Girls Get Equal’ Youth Conference 2019:
Open for Application (Application Deadline: 10 July 2019, Wednesday)

Foreword

Plan International Hong Kong has organised Youth Conference since 2015 with the Department of Asian and International Studies of City University of Hong Kong for local young people to meet, reflect and exchange ideas on international issues, especially girls’ situation in low income countries, through desktop research, discussion, public speaking, and poster design.



Plan International is one of the world’s leading development organisations specifically focusing on children, with expertise on girls’ rights. ‘Girls Get Equal is a global social change campaign of Plan International to advance children’s rights and equality for girls – especially girls’ equal power, freedom, and respect. ‘Youth Conference 2019’ will continue to encourage and inspire young people to speak out in support of girls’ rights, to nurture global citizenship, and to become powerful forces for change in their communities. Youth Conference 2019 will also include ‘University Section’ with participants from the Department of Asian and International Studies of City University of Hong Kong.

Invite applications from students of Form 3 or above to join the Secondary School Section



Students of Form 3 or above in this academic year (2018-2019) from the same school/organisation can form teams to participate in the ‘Secondary School Section’, each team should consist of 3 to 4 students. Longlisted teams will be invited to attend the interview to be held on **13 or 20 July 2019 (Sat)**, not more than 13 teams will be selected to participate in the youth conference to be held on **28 September 2019 (Sat)**. The students will act as

representatives of low income countries to introduce local girls’ situation and make suggestions for improvement. Students are required to join two training workshops on **3 August (Sat) and 17 August (Sat)** to enhance the knowledge of global citizenship and girls’ issues, as well as desktop research and presentation skills, through the advice of professionals. Participants will also visit and use the collections of the library of City University of Hong Kong. Training workshops and conference are full-day activities which will be held in the City University of Hong Kong.

Awards

The award scheme for ‘Secondary School Section’ is listed as follows:

- Best Presentation Team – Champion
- Best Presentation Team – Merit
- Best Presenter
- Best Poster Design

Awardees will receive certificate and trophy, as well as priority invitation to join the local or oversea activities of Plan International Hong Kong’s



'Be a Change-maker' programme. All participants who have fulfilled the attendance requirements will receive a certificate of participation and Youth Conference 2019 T-shirt.



'Social Media x Social Campaign' Workshop and Practical Training

A 'Social Media x Social Campaign' introductory session on using digital technologies and social media for social campaigns will be included at the pre-conference workshop. Winning teams of Youth Conference 2019 will be invited to join the Practical Training from October to December 2019. Under the guidance of professionals, participants of the practical training will transform their Youth Conference research into social campaigns to raise public awareness towards girls' issues in developing countries.

Fee

Free of charge. Refreshment and lunch will be provided at the 3 full-day events.

Adjudicators/ Workshop speakers

	Dr. Kanie SIU Chief Executive Officer Plan International Hong Kong
	Dr. Linda Yin-nor TJIA Assistant Professor Department of Asian and International Studies City University of Hong Kong

Application Method

Please download the application form at 'Youth Conference 2019' webpage: <https://www.plan.org.hk/en/youth-conference-2019-application-en/>

Completed application form and student information sheets should be submitted to Plan International Hong Kong through one of the following methods by **10 July 2019 (Wednesday)**. Please specify 'Youth Conference'.

- By post: Room 201, Marina House, 68 Hing Man Street, Shau Kei Wan, Hong Kong
ATTN: Angela So
- Fax: 2893 3619
- Email: Angela.so@plan.org.hk

Important dates

Deadline of application: 10 July 2019 (Wed)
Interview: 13 or 20 July 2019 (Sat)
Training workshops (full day): 3 August (Sat) and 17 August 2019 (Sat)
Mock Practice Session: 7 September 2019 (Sat)
Youth conference (full day): 28 September 2019 (Sat)
'Social Media x Social Campaign'
Practical Training (by invitation only): October – December 2019

For enquiries, please call Ms. Angela So, Campaign Officer of Plan International Hong Kong at 3405 5322 or email Angela.so@plan.org.hk