

# 5<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Youth Summit: Stakeholder Forum

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Recommendations

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# Policy and Research

1. Explore with CARICOM a database for existing programmes and policies (budgetary allocations as well for youth development).
2. Regional Symposium for the sharing of best practices/research or evidence based initiatives among stakeholders and youth development workers.
3. Review youth related aspects of the 2030 agenda and its SDGs and how to capitalise on mainstreaming of resources available for its implementation.
4. Identify youth priorities across the different layers of governance frameworks.
5. Conduct organisational self- assessments of youth ministries and other youth organisations

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6. Link national planning process with national statistical programme to address youth related issues and priorities – to improve data gathering and disaggregation
7. Setup database of youth-related research in the region to be circulated among stakeholders
8. Support 50/50 Cluster to advocate for disaggregated data for youth especially from marginalised backgrounds
9. Explore the development of guidelines for safety and security especially for youths
10. Advocate for a concrete approach to increase youth participation including affirmative action forms

# Legal and Regulatory

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1. Each country should set up a working committee to examine the legal and regulatory framework for youth work sector
2. Explore and/or Implement a Code of Conduct for youth workers within each country.
3. Explore regulation related to youth participation/inclusion in Decision making bodies (e.g. working committees, statutory bodies, national planning processes)
4. Examine the existing legal framework to determine whether it is conducive to youth development mechanisms.

# Human Resource and Financing

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1. Capitalise on innovative financing models and partnerships
2. Conduct and explore GAP and opportunity analyses for funding opportunities.
3. Share model of the establishment of the Jamaica Youth Worker's Association with other countries within the region.
4. Foster a highly trained and professional workforce in the field of youth development.
5. Support academic institutions in the development of high levels of qualification in youth development within the Caribbean context.

# Other relevant recommendation

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- 1 Explore with CRYC their legal status
- 2 Finalize a regional strategy to enhance the technical and professional capacity of youth development workers.
- 3. Enhance the quality and impact of Caribbean youth leadership ethos through access to quality training in leadership skills and competencies for youth leaders, particularly young women.