

## **ADVOCATING FOR CLIMATE EDUCATION AT COP 28 IN DUBAI**

As the world struggles with the man-made climate crisis and a dramatic increase in climate disasters, it is imperative that we explore and implement all mitigation strategies.

EARTHDAY.ORG (EDO) strongly believes that climate education will be a crucial pillar in finding ways to deal with the challenges that the climate crisis presents to us all, head on.

We know climate education is key to reaching our climate goals. Throughout human evolution - the power of education and our hunger for knowledge - has shaped our planet. Now, more than ever, we need to harness this power to confront the climate crisis.

## With climate education, students will:

- Be given the tools they need to manage climate depression and anxiety
- Develop a Green Muscle Memory that guides them in making planet friendly decisions
- Learn the skills needed to innovate the path to net zero
- Become excited about their role in growing and shaping the green economy

COP 28 in Dubai provides an **important** opportunity for decision makers **from around the world** to learn more about the power and benefits of climate education.

As the leader in climate education, EARTHDAY.ORG will be participating in or hosting multiple events and we would be delighted if you attended them.

## **Events EDO is Participating in or Hosting at COP28**

Date & Time	Event Title	Location
Thursday November 30, 5:30-7:00 PM	Communication For Climate Action: Empowering Youth Voices and Engagement by the IULM (Milan) University	Italian Pavilion
Monday, December 4, 4:00 -5:30 PM	Last COPs Under 30, Strengthening African Youth Movement for Environment and Climate Action	Zimbabwean Pavilion
Tuesday, December 5, 10:30-11:30 AM	The Necessity and Potential of Climate Education: Fostering the Passion, Innovation, and Workforce Skills Needed to Solve the Climate Crisis	The Greening Education Hub – Al Fanar Room
Wednesday,December 6, 1:00 – 1.30 PM	An #education4earth activism event will be taking place with youth climate activists. If you would like your youth leaders to be invited, please email Johnny at: Dabrowski@earthday.org	Details TBC
Wednesday, December 6, 2:00-3:00 PM	Launching the Africa Youth Climate Action Plan Assessment Report: Accelerating climate action in Africa through data-driven approaches	Zimbabwean Pavilion

Wednesday, December 6, 4:00-5:00 PM	Music, Arts and Culture for Climate Awareness and Literacy	Climate Live Pavilion
Friday, December 8, 8:30-9:00AM	Launching Youth Day - the State of Play on Youth and ACE	Monash University Pavilion
Friday, December 8, 2:15 – 3:00 PM	RewirED COP 28 High Level Panel: Education as a Catalyst for People and Planet: Rewiring Our Common Agenda. Keynote Speaker: Kathleen Rogers, EDO President	TBC
Friday, December 8, 4:00-5:15 PM 6:30- 9:00 PM	The Urgent Need to Invest in Climate Education *Release of the EARTHDAY.ORG Climate Education Report* Followed by a networking and reception event co- hosted by EARTHDAY.ORG and IUCN	IUCN Pavilion
Friday, December 8, 5:00 – 6:00 PM	Intergenerational Climate Panel: From Disillusionment to Systematic Collective Action.*Presentation of EARTHDAY.ORG, Climate Education NDC Guide*	
Saturday, December 9, 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM	Financing, Educational and Cultural Responses to Climate Change-Climate Literacy and Adaptation for Heritage	SE Room 6

We are calling on all countries to include climate education in their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in line with <u>Article 12</u> of the Paris Climate Agreement. To support this effort, we have created a step-by-step Climate Education NDC Guide.

## **EARTHDAY.ORG COP28 DELEGATION**

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We don't have much time left to set in motion a course of action which will prepare and empower future generations to deal with the mess we have created for them.

We got our children into this crisis; now we must make the important decision that will help them deal with it. Climate education is one of the most important tools we can give them. Please join us in doing it.

See you there,

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