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Youth Office

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Dear Madam President,
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The inaugural United Nations Youth Townhall will take place on 8–10 December 2026 in Heidelberg, Germany. The event is being organized by the UN Youth Office and will bring together some 1,000 participants, including young people, as well as representatives of UN Member States, UN entities, civil society organizations, academia, the private sector and philanthropic organizations. Structured around three phases – **Converge**, **Co-create** and **Commit** – it aims to strengthen inclusion and diversity, reduce fragmentation across the youth empowerment ecosystem by creating stronger connections among the actors working on the global youth agenda, and foster peer learning and shared accountability.

As part of the UN Youth Townhall, we are pleased to invite you to a **Parliamentary Session**, which will take place on **Tuesday, 8 December 2026** from 14:00 to 15:30. The session, entitled *Young parliamentarians round table: Shaping the future of AI with tech companies, youth leaders and UN experts*, will be jointly organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the UN Youth Office, and will bring together representatives of technology companies, youth leaders and UN experts. A concept note is attached.

Traditional interpretation will not be available for this session. Instead, the United Nations will provide a dedicated platform offering live AI-generated transcripts of the discussions in all six official UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish). Participants may speak in any of these languages and will be able to follow the discussions in their preferred language by downloading the platform on their own devices.

We warmly invite young MPs who are part of their countries' delegations to the UN Youth Townhall to join us for this important meeting. We also encourage your parliament to request, if this is not already the case, that your country's delegation include a young MP to ensure a parliamentary perspective at the event. Young MPs are, of course, encouraged to participate not only in the Parliamentary Session, but also in the various other sessions taking place throughout the UN Youth Townhall.

To participate, participants must register both for the UN Youth Townhall as a whole and, separately, for the Parliamentary Session on 8 December.

To register for the UN Youth Townhall as a whole (if you have not done so already), please complete this form on the UN website by 20 November 2026. All queries relating to the wider event – including visa enquiries, logistical arrangements and programme-related matters – can be addressed to the UN Youth Office at gracia.ortizquintilla@un.org.

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To register separately for the Parliamentary Session, please complete this form by 1 December 2026. All queries relating specifically to the Parliamentary Session can be addressed to the IPU at postbox@ipu.org.

We very much look forward to fostering a strong parliamentary presence at the UN Youth Townhall and to welcoming the young MPs to Heidelberg.

Yours sincerely,



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