



# Education for Sustainable Development through the Foundation for Environmental Education

Eco-Schools, Learning about Forests & Young Reporters for the Environment

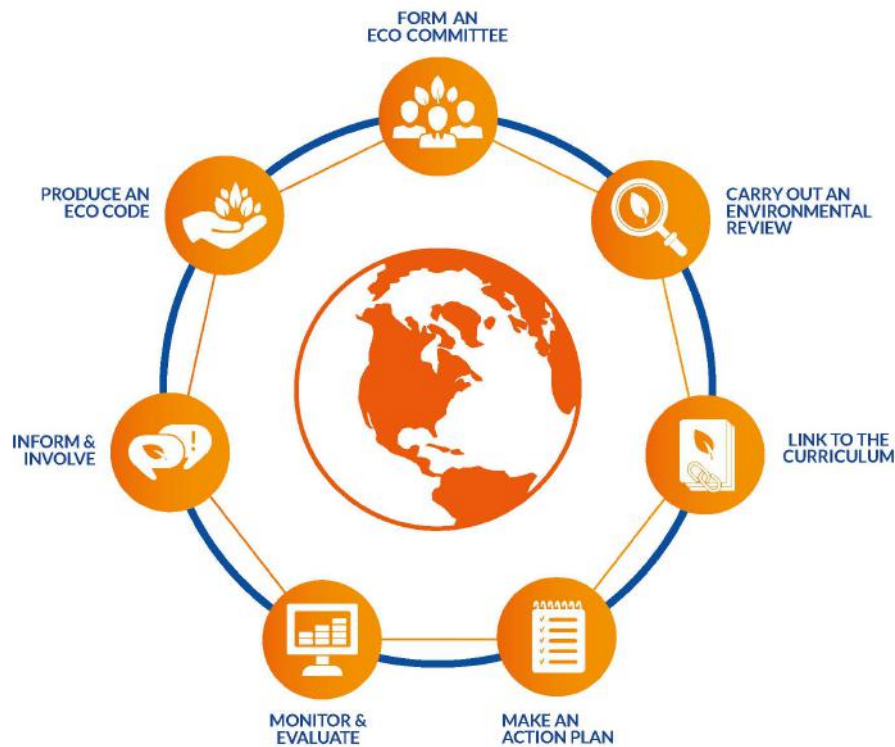




# About the Eco-Schools programme

The Eco-Schools programme is a growing phenomenon which encourages young people to engage in their environment by allowing them the opportunity to actively protect it.

Through this programme, young people experience a sense of achievement at being able to have a say in the environmental management policies of their schools, ultimately steering them towards certification and the prestige which comes with being awarded a Green Flag.



## THE GREEN FLAG

Upon completion of the Eco-Schools Seven Steps and reaching a high level of performance in compliance with the performance indicators schools can apply for the Green Flag. Before receiving their first Green Flag, schools must be assessed by means of a visit.

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**Eco-Schools is the largest global sustainable schools programme. It starts in the classroom and expands to the community by engaging the next generation in action-based learning.**

– A unique network of 59.000 schools in over 68 countries





# About the LEAF programme

The Learning About Forests (LEAF) programme engages young people in Climate Actions through educating them on the role of forests. One of the main goals of the LEAF programme is to enable young people to understand and make decisions on environmental issues.

An important thrust of the programme is training and capacity building of teachers and students on conservation of natural wealth. The programme encourages environmental education through awareness raising among students, teachers and the wider community.

LEAF initiatives often involve activities which take place outside the school grounds and involve the local community either directly (parents and friends) or indirectly (community members who benefit from the actions of the Forest Committee).



## Implementing the LEAF programme

The LEAF programme aligns itself with Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), the Global Action Programme (GAP) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The programme looks at all the functions of the forest.

The Forest Cycle methodology is a series of carefully created measures to help schools maximise the success of their LEAF ambitions. The method involves a wide diversity of individuals from the school community - with students playing a primary role in the process. Schools work through the cycle and once they have successfully completed the cycle the school applies for the LEAF Award.



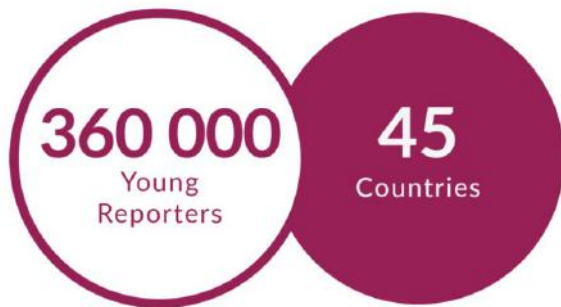


# About the YRE programme

Young Reporters for the Environment (YRE) is a network of passionate young people educating for sustainable development by producing engaging, creative, environmental journalism. YRE is implemented in more than 40 countries worldwide and growing!

The main goal of the YRE programme is to educate and empower youth to investigate environmental issues and report on them through different media channels, spreading awareness and inspiring people to take action. YRE students are supported by teachers and National Operators to ensure a high level of learning and to help make their voices heard.

YRE develops participants' skills and knowledge by giving them a deeper understanding of sustainable development, enhancing their communication and citizenship skills, critical analysis, social responsibility and leadership abilities.



# The YRE programme offers

- 4-Step YRE Methodology
- Development of life-long skills
- Educational webinars
- Annual YRE Competition
- Participation in international conferences and workshops
- Access to the publishing platform YRE Hub
- Global network of more than 40 countries



## Annual YRE Competition

Every year, the most inspiring, well-researched and creative YRE entries are assessed by a professional jury and have the chance of being recognised on a global scale.

The YRE competition consists of:

- Three age groups: 11-14; 15-18, 19-25 years
- Three media categories: article; photo; video
- International Collaboration category

## BENEFITS FOR PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

- Access to resources & webinars
- Teacher training & professional development
- Outdoor education
- Participation in competitions & conferences
- Ongoing support
- Mentoring by experts in the field of ESD
- Possibility to twin with schools globally
- Access to application for certification (Green Flag, YRE competition awards, LEAF award)
- Raising the profile of the school as part of a large network

## LEVY INFORMATION

International Schools in countries with a FEE National Operator register nationally and comply with the national procedures.

International Schools in countries without a FEE National Operator may register for the fee of 500 EUR/year, paid in advance for 2 years. The registration renewal fee (after 2 years) reduces to 850 EUR every 2 years.

We strongly believe that savings from the programme activities will help meet this cost! [Register here](#)



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