

Youth in Action Land for Life Day

At the United Nation Convention to Combat Desertification 12th Session of
Conference of Parties,

Ankara, Turkey

22 October 2015

Young people are the future guardians of the mother earth. This event intends to provide an opportunity for the university / college students and youth groups to understand how high level policy makers address global issues (particularly land related) and how decisions are made in the UN conventions. It aims to raise their awareness about land issues and how sustainable land management could help to mitigate global issues such as food insecurity, water scarcity, climate change impacts, loss biodiversity, national political instability and more.

WHAT? The event enfolds a tour to the premise where 12th session of UNCCD Conference of Parties, COP 12 will be held in Ankara; introduction to UNCCD; COP and its processes; briefing on Turkish government's initiatives in combating land degradation and opportunity to interact with TEMA, a national CSO and 2012 Land for Life Award winner who has successfully mobilized public in conserving the nature and rehabilitating degraded land; participating in the COP12 side events and exhibition centre. The event will be conducted in English.

WHEN? 22 October 2015 (10:00—16:30)

WHERE? Exhibition Centre ↔ COP 12 Premise

WHO ? The event opens to: Universities / colleges' students in Turkey and youth members of CSOs (age: 20-30 year old). Number of participants: 30 max.

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