

Promoting the role of youth in political and democratic spaces

S4D2 Costa Rica Co-Host event

 Thursday 30th March

 [Tribunal Supremo de las Elecciones, San José](#)

10 AM to 12 AM - Roundtable of the Youth Democracy Cohort: "Strengthening civic and political engagement of young people in Central America." By EPD/NIMD (*Hybrid*) (90mn)

This morning session will consist of a panel of young activists and politicians from the Latin American region. The speakers and moderators are from NIMD Democracy Schools Alumni from El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras.

Panelists :

- [Nestor Ventura](#) - El Salvador,
- [Abner Abisaid Brito Ferrera](#) - Honduras,
- [Maria Fernelly Arroche](#) – Guatemala, Alumni from NIMD Democracy Schools.

Moderated by [Kristel Ward Hudson](#), Vice Minister of Culture & Youth of Costa Rica.

Closing address by [Mileydi Guilarte](#), Deputy Assistant Administrator at USAID.

1:00 PM to 2:30 PM - Review of the Year of Action and future steps of the Youth Democracy Cohort (hybrid)

Master of Ceremonies : [Laura Reyes Restrepo](#), Ministry of Culture & Youth of Costa Rica.

Presentation of the deliverables of the youth cohort :

- The Menu of Possible Commitments, [Aisha Dabo](#), AfricTivistes
- The Handbook on Youth Engagement, with [Daryna Onyshko](#), EDYN president and [Anne Badji](#), European Partnership for Democracy.

Panel discussion: Youth Forward, implementing commitments for more youth engagement : *What are the opportunities for advocating for adoption by participating countries ?*

With

- [Kathy Addy](#), Chair person at NCCE Ghana,
- [Jean Costedoat-Miossec](#) from European Commission
- IDEA international representative
- moderated by [Ken Godfrey](#) European Partnership for Democracy Executive director

Useful links:

More complete program available [here](#)

Toolkit of the Youth Democracy Cohort [here](#) (set of logos, visual guidelines)

General program of the day available [here](#) (last update: 16/03/2023)