

The International Youth Journal

For The Next Generation Experts And Leaders



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1. General Information and Vision

The International Youth Journal offers interested youths the unique possibility to publish articles online on an international level! Most articles are written by high-class students who are specialists and have successfully proven their knowledge in a given discipline. Award winners, young scientists, political activists, or motivated writers: Everybody is welcomed to read the International Youth Journal and to publish own articles and stories! Since the journal is operated on an international level it enables authors to reach a wide range of audience across many different nations of the world.

The four main categories - science, environment, politics, and culture - as well as the clear structure of the journal enables great exchange and readability. Any youth that takes action and wants to make an impact is welcomed to receive International Youth Journal articles and to share own opinions, articles, or stories!

The International Youth Journal focuses profoundly on enabling youths to publish their individual articles to a wide audience: This is the essential aspect of the International Youth Journal and gives readers and authors the possibility to exchange and connect to the public. The International Youth Journal is the only public and unrestricted youth journal that operates on an international level!

2. Authors and Publishing

Youths who are interested in writing articles about topics they are specialists in are welcomed to submit and publish! Articles may address various fields and disciplines from science, politics, economy, to environmental issues and much more. This may include personal success stories as well as comments, reports or essays! Here you find a list of possible formats:

- News articles
- Scientific articles
- Personal opinions
- Short/Long essays
- Professional blog posts
- Stories (non-fictional)
- Fictional stories on a certain topic
- Comments on a certain topic
- Poems on a certain topics
- Announcements and public calls

You can submit your article online via the article submission form. Your submitted article is then reviewed by editors of the International Youth Journal. If it fits the quality standards of the International Youth Journal, we will publish it as soon as possible and inform you via email.

The quality standards include aspects such as grammar, readability, writing-style, or knowledge. In the case that the editors do not accept your article, we will give you feedback on how to improve the article - you can submit an edited version again. We highly recommend you to create an author profile here: [Create Author Profile](#). This will make it easier to review and accept your article.

3. Official Youth Journalist Program

Students around the world that are dedicated for writing articles, posts and news stories can become Official Youth Journalists. You can write about stories in your country or posts articles on general topics. Youths that become Official Youth Journalists are dedicated, talented, and inspire thousands of people every day. Youth Journalists receive a special IYJ journalists license which gives them the unique opportunity to publish and report as an official journalist.

Being Official Youth Journalist is a high honour and gives you many privileges and possibilities. Most importantly: You will receive an official IYJ journalist license which includes an official journalist certificate and journalist identification card! Only a few outstanding youths receive the possibility to operate as a journalist. Some of the benefits, advantages, and privileges include:

- *Journalist Certificate*: You receive an official journalist certificate, which proves your eligibility to report and your special position as youth journalist.
- *Journalist Identification Card*: You receive an official journalist identification card, which enables you to identify as official IYJ journalist.
- *No Review*: If your application is successful, we trust your capabilities as journalist and reporter. Official Youth Journalists can publish articles with no (or fast) review by the journal editors.
- *Career Achievement*: To become an Official Youth Journalist, you prove your skills and abilities as journalist and author. The journalist certificate will be a unique addition to your career and it will help you in the future.
- *Fast Publishing*: Articles and news stories of youth journalists are being published very fast and you have the opportunity to mark your articles as urgent (e.g. for recent events, elections, etc.) to respond to live events and more.
- *National Groups*: The Official Youth Journalists have the possibility to promote the International Youth Journal in their local community, to conduct local workshops, or to launch groups on writing and journalism in their schools, cities, or countries.
- *National Meetups*: Regional and national meetups of youth journalists to meet, exchange, and collect ideas, can be arranged with the support of the IYJ team.

- *Direct Contact and Special Formats:* You will have a close contact with the IYJ team and editors. This will enable you to post your article in special formats or design options if required, e.g. different colors for special news stories.
- *Journalists Award:* The International Youth Journal awards every year one youth journalist the Best Journalists of the Year award in order to honor his/her commitment, active journalism, and quality writing.

You find a full list and more information on the official website of the International Youth Journal. Everybody that is interested in reporting, journalism, or writing is welcomed to apply. You can apply from any country and with any background. The application is submitted online via the journalist application form.

4. Awards and Competitions

The International Youth Journal is proud to honour several authors with special awards each year for their commitment, inspirational articles, and more. The announcement of the authors takes place in January each year. To be honoured with one of the awards, you need to have an author account. Whether the award is connected to a prize money depends on the funding possibilities each year. Authors can receive following awards:

- Best Scientific Article of the Year
- Best Author of the Year
- Best Journalist of the Year
- Award for exceptional Inspiration
- IYJ School Award

In addition, the International Youth Journal organizes various student competitions each year in order to motivate, honour, and inspire students around the world. The editors and the community of the International Youth Journal is committed to give future scientists, activists, experts, and leaders unique opportunities to show their skills and to learn more about the world, writing, and journalism.

In order to receive updates and notifications on new competitions and possibilities, feel free to subscribe to the International Youth Journal via the subscribe button on our official website.

5. Teachers and Schools

All teachers, schools, and institutions are invited to use the advantages and possibilities of the International Youth Journal for their curriculum, teaching activities, or to support talented students! The International Youth Journal publishes articles and stories on various topics: science, culture, politics, and much more. Publishing an article or story is a great achievement and will encourage and benefit all students: The International Youth Journal gives passionate and talented youths the unique opportunity to share their writing with the world and it provides an outstanding tool for all teachers and schools to promote writing, critical thinking, and journalism:

- *Student and Class Projects:* Some schools use student and class projects which involve writing to educate their students. The best results will then be published in the International Youth Journal: It will honor the efforts of your students and make the articles available to youths around the world. A similar procedure can be done with homeworks or other assignments.
- *Workshops and IYJ School Clubs:* Many outstanding schools provide writing workshops, after-school groups, or school clubs for writing and journalism: Every school and teacher is invited to embed the International Youth Journal into these clubs, to make publishing articles the aim of the group, or to start an IYJ school club. This possibility extends to the youth journalists program of the International Youth Journal: Students have the opportunity to become Official Youth Journalists which is a great career aspect and enables many features. Schools are welcomed to prepare students with workshops or school clubs for being a youth journalist and to conduct journalism projects with the students.
- *IYJ School Award:* The International Youth Journal awards the annual IYJ School Award to an outstanding school with many youth journalists among their students. The prize is (usually) not connected to a money prize but honors the efforts and quality of the teachers of the school. Schools participate by promoting the IYJ youth journalist program and by having registered youth journalists. The same school can receive the IYJ School Award only once.

Teachers and schools are welcomed to promote the International Youth Journal opportunity at their school and in their class in order to get passionate and talented students engaged with writing, critical thinking, publishing, and journalism! We provide several flyers, materials, posters, and more on our website.

6. Author Accounts

You should create an author account to link the articles, essays, or stories you wrote to your profile. This will enable visitors and readers to not only see your name but additionally to click on it to see more information about you. You can describe yourself, upload a profile picture, and link to social media. This will give you and readers more possibilities to connect, discuss, and exchange. Furthermore, you also have a clear overview of your articles and more!

7. Facebook Page

Make sure to like the Facebook page of the International Youth Journal to stay up-to-date. Also, please share this journal with other youths on Facebook to give them this unique chance to impact others. We constantly share new posts about published articles and spread useful information and opportunities!

8. Spokespersons and Contact

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