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A Look into Education for Sustainable Development
Beyond Titles

Overview on role as a UN Youth Delegate
UN Youth Delegates

- Bridge between youth and United Nations
- 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- ‘Generation for Change’ report 2018
Generation for Change - Key Points

- ‘Recognise Youth Importance’
- ‘Tackle Poverty and Homelessness’
- ‘Mainstream the SDGs’
- ‘Recognise Importance of Target 4.7 - ESD’
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- Key issue is accessing hard-to-reach areas for ESD
- Important to catch those ‘falling through the cracks’ - avoid accidental learning
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A Journey of Accidental Learning in ESD
Journey through Education

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Access
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Beyond Averages

Prioritising Equal Access to ESD
Equality of Access to ESD

- ‘Inclusive and equitable education… for all’
- Marginalised groupings must be addressed
- Need for pragmatic ESD integration into these groups
ETBI ‘Take One’ Programme

- Run by ETB Ireland, on behalf of ETBs nationwide
- Focus on all 17 SDGs
- Easy curriculum integration for ESD
- Avoids ‘falling through cracks’ scenario
Beyond Experience

Journey through ESD
Moyo Nua

- Project combining agtech with global citizenship
- Science for Development Award 2017
- Importance of ESD for international collaboration
UN Youth Delegate Programme

- Uncommon fit
- Importance of different perspectives in well-rounded approach to ESD
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Importance of Inclusive Collaboration
Inclusive & Multi-Sectoral Collaboration

- ‘Need to break sectoral silos’
- Creation & facilitation of supportive structures
- Recognition in importance of ‘outliers’
- Acknowledgement for large-scale action in achieving SDG 4 by 2030
Beyond Commitments

Winning an Uphill Battle
Meeting Commitments for ESD

- Issues in accurately defining and utilising metrics for 4.7

- ‘Limited data indicates large gaps in mainstreaming ESD’
Meeting Commitments for ESD
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How to win the Uphill Battle
How to win the Uphill Battle

- Foster the youth
- Idealist in vision, pragmatic in execution
- Unrelenting accountability
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Key Takeaways
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- Target 4.7 is a key priority for Irish youth
- Equality of access to ESD is critical objective
- Structures for ‘outliers’
- Inclusive and multi-sectoral collaboration
- Youth, Action, Accountability
In Conclusion
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