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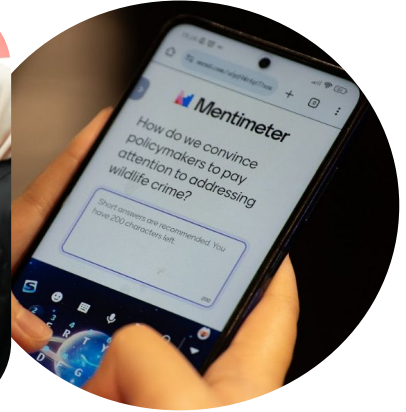


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Creative and unconventional tools for effective communication and advocacy.



Platform for youth leaders to **lead discussions** and **voice their ideas**.

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Subject matter experts from across the world, representing over 10 countries.

Symbolic closing ceremony encompassed **pledges** and **joint declaration**.



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Hands on demonstration and workshops, learning about real-life problems and activating solutions.





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Exclusive networking sessions for summit participants to connect with high-profile speakers in an intimate setting.

Recognising the often significant accessibility and connection gap between attendees and speakers, these sessions aim to close that gap for **increased levels of engagement**.

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Holistic and **community-centered** approach, exploring issues like mental health surrounding activist burnout and self-care which are essential to youth advocacy.





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E-Certificates



E-certificates were awarded to all delegates who actively participated in the workshops and summit sessions.

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RAINFOREST YOUTH SUMMIT 2025

KUCHING, SARAWAK

JUNE 18 – 20, 2025



2025 Theme

Living Landscapes: Charting a Sustainable Future



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The 2025 theme underscores the interconnected relationship between people and natural ecosystems in building a more sustainable future.

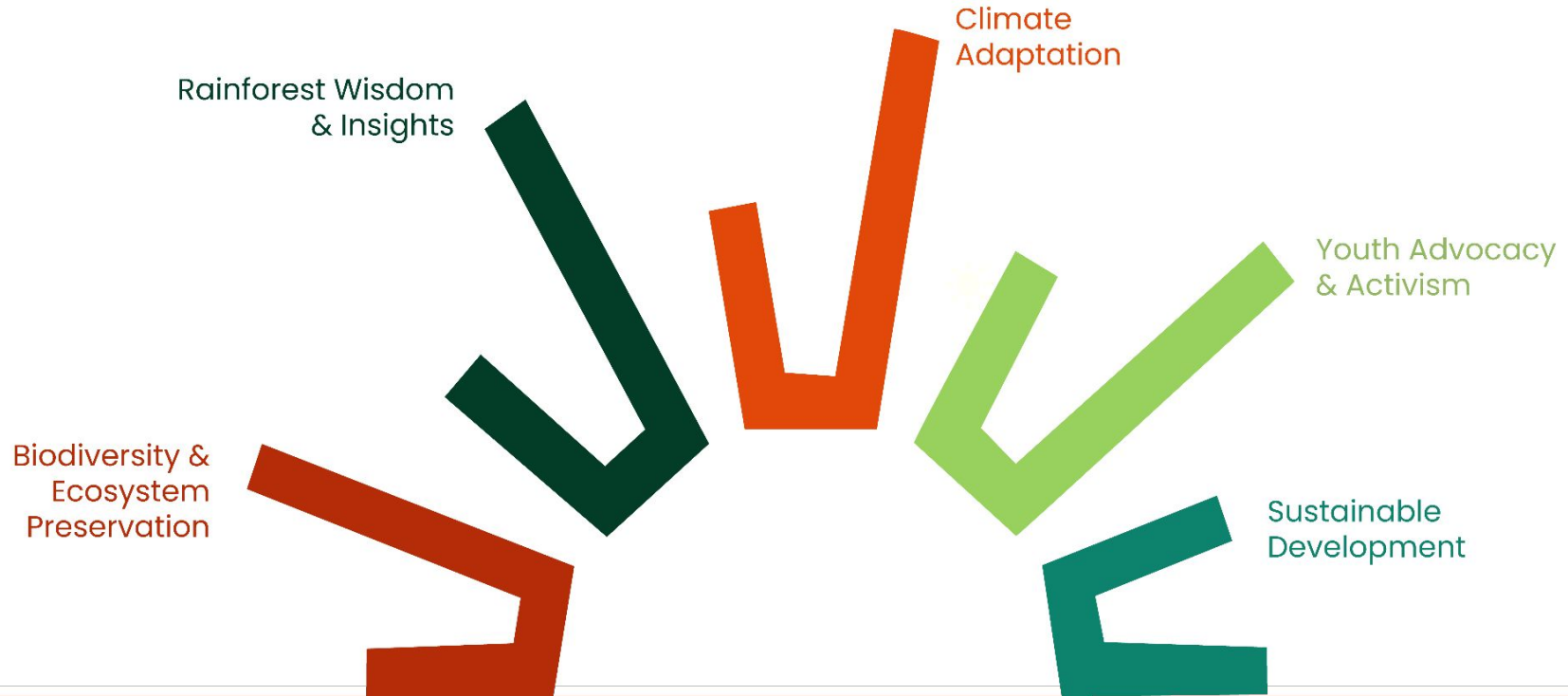
It draws attention to the role of indigenous wisdom, modern environmental practices, and adaptive innovation in preserving biodiversity and ensuring long-term resilience.



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Key Thematic Areas



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Biodiversity and Ecosystem Preservation:

Participants will explore how living ecosystems depend on biodiversity and how traditional practices can enhance conservation efforts.



Rainforest Wisdom & Insights:

This area highlights the vital connection between communities and landscapes, showing how local knowledge supports both economic sustainability and ecological resilience.



Climate Adaptation:

Focuses on how rainforests and indigenous communities are responding to the impacts of climate change through sustainable agriculture, eco-tourism, and forest conservation efforts.



Youth Advocacy & Activism:

Equip youth with tools to become advocates for inclusive environmental solutions, and proponents of solution-focused activism, emphasising collaboration with local communities and stakeholders.



Sustainable Development:

Explores how eco-tourism and community-led projects can balance economic growth with environmental sustainability, ensuring local communities thrive.



The Torch represents a guiding light

in preserving biodiversity and ensuring long-term resilience.

The symbolism of the torch progresses as it carries a different narrative each year following the overarching theme.

For RAYS 2025, the torch signifies the role in leading the way for indigenous wisdom and youth-led modern initiatives



Our Objectives

Empower Youth as Environmental Changemakers

Equip ASEAN youth with knowledge, tools, and networks to develop impactful sustainability projects, fostering a generation of leaders who are rooted in both local and global environmental efforts.

Amplify Indigenous Voices

Recognise indigenous communities as active leaders in environmental solutions, explore how intergenerational knowledge, practices, and innovations support balanced stewardship and ecosystem resilience.

Forge Cross-Cultural Collaborations

Promote partnerships that blend customary practices and modern frameworks to address environmental challenges while preserving cultural identity.

Harness the Inherent Link Between Sustainable Tourism and Climate Justice

Explore regenerative tourism models that are rooted in sustainable livelihoods, ensuring local economies thrive alongside global ecosystems.



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Target Audience



Youth Leaders and Environmental Advocates

Youth climate activists, student representatives, civil society.



Sustainability Collaborators, Educators, and Innovators

Academics, eco-entrepreneurs, climate researchers.



Indigenous Community Representatives and Cultural Advocates

Indigenous youth, local artists, community organisers.

ASEAN Representation



Regional Cooperation

Shared common environmental challenges aim to foster regional cooperation and solidarity.

Diverse Perspectives

Enrich dialogue surrounding rainforest conservation and sustainable development, ensuring inclusive, holistic and culturally relevant solutions.

Future Leadership

Empowering ASEAN youth with knowledge, skills and opportunities and investing in building a generation of leaders committed to shaping a resilient future.

Cross Cultural Knowledge

Platform for cross-cultural exchange and learning through interactions that transcend national boundaries.

Amplifying Impact

Amplify the impact of collective efforts towards rainforest conservation to drive meaningful change across all levels.





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