

# HOW CAN YOUNG PEOPLE ENGAGE IN THE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON HIV/AIDS 2021

AS A YOUTH ADVOCATE, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WAYS THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO ENGAGE WITH THE UPCOMING HLM ON HIV/AIDS

## NATIONAL LEVEL



If you can, **reach out to local politicians/decision-makers** and ask how they plan to engage young people in national delegations to the HLM

**Reach out to national networks of people living with HIV and key population networks**; they may be doing work on this already but you can help bring the youth perspective to this.

If your country has a **UNAIDS Country Office (UCOs)**, they may be holding consultations to gather input for the HLM. **Get in touch with them** and ask how you can participate and contribute

## REGIONAL LEVEL

Some regional blocs such as the African Union may hold **regional consultations**; if you can **reach out to any contacts** you may know of, including national networks, and ask how you can contribute

**UNAIDS Regional Support Teams** may also hold regional consultations. Reach out to RSTs or UCOs and ask how you can contribute to these

Regional **youth networks** may also be aware of any consultations or activities that you can contribute to. Reach out to those that you have worked with in the past or are a part of.

## GLOBAL LEVEL

Global youth networks are **working on statements and an advocacy campaign** on the HLM. If you would like to support this reach out to us at [contactyouthpact@gmail.com](mailto:contactyouthpact@gmail.com)

The Multi-Stakeholder Task Force is a group of 16 activists working on HIV who will be championing civil society during the HLM. The youth representatives are Aaron Sunday ([harunaaaronsunday@gmail.com](mailto:harunaaaronsunday@gmail.com)) and Molly Chan ([molly.yas@gmail.com](mailto:molly.yas@gmail.com)). You can reach out to them to explore how to engage further with the process

If you are part of any global networks that have **ECOSOC** status, you may be able to participate in the HLM processes; reach out to the leadership team at your organisation to find out more

## JOIN THE HLM VIRTUALLY IN JUNE

Organisations and people **can apply to be speakers** at the High-Level Meeting in June. It is imperative that communities engage with this process to ensure a progressive and community-centred political declaration.

- Organisations can apply for special accreditation to participate in the HLM at [indico.un.org/event/35848/overview](https://indico.un.org/event/35848/overview)
- Individuals can also apply to be speakers at the High Level Meeting at [here](#)

