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Democracy, in its true sense, where equality is a fundamental principle and knowledge is accessible to all, has an external sphere that conditions it: democratization, as an essential axis for strengthening local processes and guaranteeing active and effective citizen participation. But what do we mean by democratizing? *Democratizing implies making accessible to society that which was previously inaccessible*. In this sense, democratizing knowledge means guaranteeing its access by overcoming the historical barriers that have limited its reach, especially in the Global South, where these barriers are deeply marked by inequality.

The initiative "*Path to the Democratization of the Future: Youth for Climate Action*" conceives of access to knowledge as a right, not a privilege, despite limitations in the mechanisms and instruments for making it a reality. Within this framework, and in accordance with Article 6 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and Article 12 of the Paris Agreement—which seek to strengthen education, training, awareness-raising, access to information, and public participation on climate issues—as well as paragraph 64 of the Glasgow Climate Pact in its call to action by young people during COP26, focused on climate justice and youth participation, which promotes the meaningful participation of youth in decision-making at the multilateral, national, and local levels, including processes under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement.

The program prioritizes youth from communities vulnerable to the climate crisis, armed conflict, widespread violence, and historically underrepresented in multilateral decision-making spaces. Its objective is to maximize geographic, cultural, and socioeconomic diversity, while ensuring that selected participants contribute innovative and transformative perspectives on social and climate justice. Within this framework, the program adopts a comprehensive capacity-building approach focused on the systemic sustainability of territorial processes, understanding that structural transformation is not achieved through isolated interventions, but rather through the progressive strengthening of individual and collective capacities. From this perspective, a local agency-centered approach is prioritized, recognizing communities as key actors in defining, implementing, and projecting their own development agendas. Consequently, the program promotes the social appropriation of knowledge, the strengthening of distributed leadership, and the consolidation of self-management mechanisms as enabling conditions for the continuity and scalability of actions.

In this context, priority is given to the participation of young people from countries with high strategic relevance for global climate action, particularly those that harbor tropical forest systems, whose ecological integrity is increasingly threatened by multiple human-caused pressures. These territories also comprise complex socio-ecological systems, in which environmental dynamics are intertwined with structural factors such as inequality, institutional weakness, and, in some cases, the persistence of socio-environmental and armed conflicts. These interactions increase vulnerability and limit the effectiveness of environmental governance mechanisms, highlighting the need to strengthen local capacities for long-term sustainable management.

In this regard, the prioritization of countries such as Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Indonesia, Ghana, Gabon, Uganda, and Tanzania reflects their critical role in the global multilateral agenda and the structural challenges they face in managing their territories. Turkey is also included due to its relevance in international climate governance, as it is slated to host COP31.

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The program is structured in three phases. In the first phase, selected individuals between the ages of 15 and 30 will participate in a 24-hour virtual training cycle, developed over three months (from May to August 2025). This process will provide comprehensive training in climate justice, diplomacy, climate governance, strategic and institutional frameworks, strategic communication, international negotiation, and climate finance, with the aim of strengthening technical knowledge and practical skills for critical analysis and the development of solutions to the triple planetary crisis.

In the second phase, those participants who demonstrate the highest levels of commitment, leadership, motivation, and preparation will be selected to join the program's official delegation, which will represent young people from tropical forest countries at the 31st Conference of the Parties (COP31) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), to be held from November 9 to 20, 2026, in Antalya, Turkey. The selected individuals must have the capacity to influence both their communities and international forums. This strategic approach ensures that global solutions are relevant and adaptable to local realities, creating a virtuous feedback loop.

The third phase will focus on the territorial implementation of the lessons learned. In this stage, participants—particularly those on the official delegation—will promote local initiatives to address the climate crisis, encompassing both mitigation and adaptation measures. They are expected to act as facilitators and managers of knowledge sharing, promoting the democratization of access to information, the development of local capacities, and the social appropriation of tools for informed decision-making. In this way, the aim is to consolidate autonomous, scalable, and sustainable processes that effectively contribute to the transformation of their territories in the face of diverse socio-environmental challenges. Within this framework, through the capacities and skills they acquire, participants will be able to contribute public policy recommendations on climate change, enabling them to monitor the commitments stemming from the Paris Agreement and other instruments established by the UNFCCC in their countries and communities.

The ability to facilitate critical thinking at the local, regional, and national levels, based on acquired experiences, is fundamental to ensuring that policies within the framework of the climate agenda have a real and sustained impact.

→ On the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

The Conference of the Parties (COP) is the supreme decision-making body of the UNFCCC, through which its States Parties review the implementation of the Convention and any other instruments adopted during its sessions. Annually, the Parties meet to discuss and make decisions regarding the work carried out by the Conference through its institutional and administrative arrangements. Prior to each Conference, the Parties meet to discuss their main concerns and establish points of agreement and priority issues to be addressed in the plenary sessions held at the COP. Working groups are also established at these sessions, where moderators, spokespersons, participants, and observers define the central themes for discussion. Finally, decisions, reports, and agreements are presented, and steps are established to resolve unresolved issues, as well as to outline specific tasks and their implementation until the next COP.

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→ Application and registration requirements for the first stage of the process

- Young people between 15 and 30 years old from indigenous, peasant, Afro-descendant, rural communities and/or victims of armed conflicts.

Applicants must meet the following profile:

1. Having an interest in technical, political and social issues related to climate crisis, gender, human rights and diplomacy.
2. To have full commitment and willingness to participate constructively in all training sessions and collaborative activities before, during and after COP31.
3. Possess written and oral expression skills, as well as analytical and synthesis skills.
4. Commit to the democratization of knowledge and facilitation of effective educational processes in their territory after participation in the program.

Section A.1. Requirements to apply.

A.1.1. Have nationality of Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Indonesia, Ghana, Gabon, Uganda and Tanzania.

A.1.2. Be between 15 and 30 years old from the start of the call (6 April 2026) until the end of COP 31 (20 November 2026).

A.1.3. Residing in one of the countries mentioned in section A.1.1, being a refugee or climate migrant from one of those countries, a condition that must be duly endorsed by the competent authorities.

A.1.4. Being part of an indigenous, peasant, Afro-descendant, rural community and/or a victim of armed conflict

A.1.5. Master the Spanish or English language.

A.1.6. Those who meet any of the following criteria may apply:

- To be a youth leader with a proven track record of socio-environmental activism and climate action, with or without higher education.

A.1.7 Have access to appropriate technology tools (at least a computer and internet) to take the training sessions.

A.1.8 Share at the time of application all the documentation required in section A.1 of this call.

A.1.9 Have availability of at least four (4) hours per week to participate in the training sessions that will be conducted virtually, after direct communication with the participants, under the GMT-5 time zone, starting in May and ending in August 2026.

A.1.10 Possess a passport valid for at least six months after the conclusion of COP31 (i.e., valid until at least May 20, 2027). If you do not have a passport or if it is not valid enough, you must submit a letter of commitment stating that you will complete the necessary procedures to obtain one in a timely manner if you are selected as a delegate.

A.1.11 Although the Turkish government does not require a specific vaccination schedule for entry into the country, it is recommended that you have a complete vaccination schedule in accordance with the official regulations of your country of origin. This is to ensure your well-being, prevent health risks, and facilitate your safe participation in the program.

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A.1.12 Have full availability from Saturday, November 9 to Sunday, November 20, 2026 to travel to Antalya, Türkiye.

Section B. On the selection processes

The selection of individuals who demonstrate the commitment, experience, skills, and knowledge necessary to be part of the program “Path to the Democratization of the Future: Youth for Climate Action” will be carried out by the selection committee of Life of Pachamama, based on the sections indicated below.

Section B.1: pre-selection for training

B.1.1. Pre-selection: Once it has been verified that the application meets the previously stated requirements, the applicant's profile will be evaluated considering their understanding and experience in issues related to the climate and environmental agenda, as well as their motivations for applying to the program and their interest in promoting youth action to address the challenges posed by climate change at the local, regional, and international levels. This phase will include assessing *the veracity of the applications*, i.e., their authenticity (*responses generated by artificial intelligence will be discarded*). Those applicants not pre-selected will be notified on **April 17**.

B.1.1. Selection: Candidates pre-selected for the first phase of the program will be contacted on **April 17th** and must upload the documents in PDF format described below to the corresponding section by **April 24th**, **according to the modality to which they apply**:

1. Leadership dossier (letter size), in English or Spanish. This document must include the following components:
 - i) Proof of workshops or training related to the climate and/or environmental agenda, as well as relevant information on academic and extracurricular training, and/or distinctions; possible study stays, academic, cultural or other exchanges; as well as mentioning if relevant academic activities have been carried out and if there are studies or research published to date, in addition to registering if there has been participation in relevant seminars, congresses or school meetings that strengthen their leadership trajectory.
 - ii) Supporting documents for the performance and/or connection of activities related to the climate and/or environmental agenda (photographs, newspaper articles, recognitions, and any others that may be considered relevant to attach).
 - iii) Social and community participation activities: It is recommended to include information relating to projects or activities developed at the community level; as well as possible participation in societies, groups or associations linked to the main topics, and possible volunteer work.
 - IV) Skills: You can include information about languages or any other additional skills you wish to highlight.

Note: The linked file must have an index on the first page showing clearly the content and information shared. In case Otherwise, the document will not be evaluated.

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2. Cover letter. In English or Spanish, with a maximum length of one sheet (maximum two pages) – letter size, using Arial 11 font, 1.5 line spacing, and 2.5 cm margins (top, bottom, left, and right). This phase will include an *assessment of the veracity of the information*, i.e., authenticity (responses generated by artificial intelligence will be discarded).
3. YouTube video URL. A video featuring the applicant, with a maximum duration of 180 seconds (3 minutes), uploaded to the YouTube platform (see Annex 1 for instructions), in English or Spanish. The YouTube video must be unlisted, clearly display its duration, and be published before Saturday, April 25, 2026, at 00:00 (GMT-5). Videos published or updated after the application deadline will be automatically disqualified.

Applicants who do not submit all the required documents and meet all the specified requirements will not be considered for the selection process for this program. The deadline for submitting a complete application is Friday, April 24, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. (GMT-5).

*Note: It is recommended to complete the procedure in advance. Documents or applications submitted outside the platform, or after the specified date and time, will not be considered. All documentation must be uploaded in PDF format. No documents must not exceed 1MB.

The assessment of the appropriateness and veracity of these requirements will take place from **April 18 to May 1**. Participants selected for the first phase will be contacted on **May 8** and must upload the documents described below to the corresponding section by **May 13** :

1. Valid official photo ID
2. Proof of residence valid for no more than three months (from the date of publication of the call for applications), the status of refugee or climate migrant must be duly endorsed by the competent authorities through official documents such as:
 - Refugee certificate or refugee residence card issued by the immigration authorities of the receiving country.
 - Temporary or permanent residence permit that specifies the status of climate migrant.
 - Letter or certificate from a humanitarian organization or UN agency (such as UNHCR) attesting to the status of refugee or climate migrant.

In the case of those who do not qualify as refugees or climate migrants, they must demonstrate their residence in Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Indonesia, Ghana, Gabon, Uganda or Tanzania through official documents, such as a certificate of residence issued by the local or communal authority, which guarantees their belonging to the community, or a certificate of belonging to a community or communal registration, among other related documents.

3. A document proving membership in an Indigenous, peasant, Afro-descendant, rural, or conflict-affected community, or an official registration certifying such membership. This proof

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may consist of a letter from a community or traditional authority, indicating the community to which the applicant belongs, as well as the name and location of the entity. If an official registration is presented, it must be issued by the competent authorities.

4. Acceptance of policies and authorization for the use of image (according to Annex 2 and Annex 3 of this Call).

Section B.2. Selection for participation in COP31 (**first phase**)

At the end of the training program, the Selection Committee, formed from the first stage, will choose from the diverse group of participants to be accredited as part of the program's Delegation during the negotiations of the 31st Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC, in Antalya, Turkey, from Monday, November 9 to Friday, November 20, 2026. During this stage, the level of learning achieved during the training sessions, analytical skills, critical thinking, commitment, and understanding of the topics covered will be evaluated, as well as their motivation to represent their countries, the youth of tropical forests, and their communities at the conference.

Under this framework, the following elements will be considered, under a 100% distribution considering the following elements: **permanence (35%), performance (25%), policy recommendation document design (20%) and video with positioning speech (20%)**.

B.2.1. Attendance, follow-up and participation in each session will represent **35%** of the evaluation:

- Commitment to attendance and attendance during training sessions (20%) → **At least 80% attendance is required to obtain the full score.**
- Ongoing assessment of comprehension and content engagement (15%) → **Each session will include a short question related to the content covered** . These questions will assess participants' understanding and attention.

B.2.2 **General academic performance** in partial evaluations, represents **25%** of the evaluation, made up of two tests with a weight of 7.5% each, and a final test with a weight of 10%.

B.2.3. Preparation of a policy brief represents **20%** of the evaluation.

Applicants must prepare a policy report. This document must be submitted before the end of July and must address, in a clear and structured manner, the main socio-environmental challenges in their community, region, and/or country, as well as the solutions and strategies that can contribute to their mitigation. (Annex 4. Instructions are attached.)

B.2.4 Video with position speech on the participation of tropical forest youth at COP31, represents **20%** of the evaluation. (Annex 5. Instructions attached)

- Once the selection committee has reviewed and evaluated each of the four items for each participant, the final scores will be consolidated to identify the most suitable profiles. Those with the highest scores will be interviewed briefly to analyze their

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level of learning, skills, and abilities acquired during the program; their understanding of the general topics and debates at COP31; and their motivations and commitment. The results of the second stage of the process will be published starting in August 2026 on official social media and platforms.

** Delegate participation is subject to budgetary availability. Life of Pachamama will not be held liable in the event of total or partial cancellation of the Conference.*

***All results, documents, videos, speeches, and other products generated within the framework of this program are protected by our intellectual property policy. No resource, material, or content will be shared, disseminated, or used without the express authorization of its respective author.*

Section C. Important considerations for the application and selection process

The program “ *Democratizing the Future: Youth for Climate Action* ” is based on the veracity of each applicant's responses and adheres to Life of Pachamama's ethical standards. Therefore, direct associate members of Life of Pachamama are ineligible to participate. Furthermore, they may not propose or recommend any candidate, either directly or indirectly, which would result in the immediate termination of their membership in the organization. This selection process fully and strictly adheres to the principles of transparency, objectivity, inclusion, non-discrimination, and representativeness, ensuring equal representation of gender diversity.

The training sessions are fully funded by Life of Pachamama and will be held online. They will be led by representatives from various governmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as experts on climate issues. Participants are responsible for all expenses and resources related to the training sessions and must have a computer and internet access to participate.

C.1. Responsibilities of the selected individuals

Section C1.1 Responsibilities of the people selected in the first stage:

- The participant must respond within a maximum of seven business days from the confirmation of their selection in the first phase of the program, attaching the following documentation:
 - A. Valid official photo ID
 - B. Proof of residence with a validity of no more than three months, counted from the date of publication of the call, according to the specific requirements of each modality.
 - C. Letter of acceptance of policies and authorization for the use of image, as established in Annexes 2 and 3 of the call.

**Failure to submit these documents within the stipulated timeframe will result in exclusion from the training process.*

- At least 80% participation in the training sessions is required.
- Actively participate in ongoing evaluation scenarios

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- Successfully deliver policy brief, as well as video with positioning speech.
- Actively participate in the regional knowledge dialogue sessions.

Section C1.2 Responsibilities of the people selected in the second stage:

- Signing a letter of commitment regarding compliance with the requirements necessary to enter the country, in accordance with the official provisions issued by the Government of Turkey, including immigration and health procedures, as well as adherence to a series of performance and personal conduct obligations that must be observed from the moment they are selected until the conclusion of their tasks as delegates.
- Sign a letter of acceptance of your direct participation in the program, which will detail the conditions under which the expenses arising from your participation will be covered, as well as travel insurance, during your participation in the Conference.
- Delivery of a copy of the valid passport, as indicated in sections A.1.10.
- Yellow fever vaccination certificate, for participants from areas at risk of yellow fever, including Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Indonesia, Ghana, Gabon, Uganda or Tanzania.
- Participate in the Mentoring Program that will begin in September and end in October 2026, with the purpose of deepening the knowledge acquired by the selected individuals, through the presentation of technical and practical information that will serve for their participation as delegates.
- Participants must effectively participate in monitoring and evaluation mechanisms, including coordination meetings, negotiations, and side events, to ensure alignment with the established agenda and objectives. Furthermore, participants must report on their activities during their stay through written and audiovisual materials, which will be shared on social media with the authorization of the head of the delegation and/or the assigned mentor.
- Submit a brief written reflection, which should have a minimum length of 800 words.
- Be available to participate in any follow-up activities that may take place after COP31.
- Commit to the democratization of knowledge and effective transfer to the territory after participation in the program through their effective participation in the return phase (section D).

Section D. Return phase due to climate action

Following their participation in the 31st Conference of the Parties (COP31) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), organized by the United Nations in Antalya, Turkey, from November 9 to 20, 2026, the delegates will carry out a process of democratizing knowledge and effectively transferring it to the territories, in accordance with the capacities and skills acquired in the program.

But what do we mean by democratizing? Democratizing means making accessible to society what was previously inaccessible. In this sense, democratizing knowledge means guaranteeing access to it by overcoming the historical barriers that have limited its reach, especially in the Global South, where these barriers are deeply marked by inequality.

To ensure that knowledge is democratic, in this phase each delegate will present proposals that promote the participatory and organized development of ongoing laboratories for democratization

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and climate justice. These proposals will foster a comprehensive understanding of the triple climate crisis from a scientific, critical, and/or collective perspective. They must also promote intergenerational dialogue, even if they prioritize a single actor. Strategies must be defined in a participatory manner, allowing for the implementation of some of the goals outlined in the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) of their countries of origin. Furthermore, they must include cross-cutting monitoring of some of the commitments made after the conclusion of the conference in Turkey, ensuring the integration of local knowledge to enhance the effectiveness of social and environmental agreements in each territory, as well as guaranteeing effective oversight and governance.

During this phase, each participant is expected to plan, manage, and evaluate a brief proposal that includes the following points:

1. Qualification
2. General and specific objectives: Each initiative should be geared towards strengthening local analytical and action capacities for the democratization of knowledge and climate justice through education, participation and/or research, ensuring the effective transfer of knowledge acquired at COP31 and its application in strategies adapted to territorial contexts.
3. Prioritized strategic axes: each initiative can be oriented towards at least one of the following strategic axes:
 - A. Education and awareness
 - B. Citizen participation and influence
 - C. Applied research (strengthening local capacities in monitoring and/or conservation).
4. Strategic activities: each proposal must design strategic activities that combine knowledge transfer, collective action and information generation for decision-making (aimed at improving the management and development of the public and collective, with a marked intention of integration)
5. Prioritized problems (problem tree)
6. Justification
7. Target population: it is necessary to consider demographic factors and degree of vulnerability to climate change.
8. Methodology for implementing the proposal (strategies to guarantee the validity and reliability of the results, as well as compliance with the general and specific objectives)
9. Strategic allies (refers to the key organizations, institutions or actors that allow the establishment of cooperation networks to enhance the proposal in the long term)
10. Expected results and scope (refers to the impacts and achievements expected from the implementation of the proposal)
11. Short-term evaluation and monitoring tools (you must consider the criteria that will be used to measure the impact and effectiveness of the proposal).

*Each proposal must be titled with the participant's name

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Section E. On financing.

Life of Pachamama will support selected individuals with round-trip airfare from their city of residence to Antalya, Turkey; shared accommodation during their stay; per diem expenses for meals and local transportation; and international medical insurance. No salary or other compensation will be provided for being an official member of the delegation.

Note: Support does not include: procedures for obtaining a passport or documents necessary for national and international travel, personal expenses, accommodation outside the city, or any aspect not explicitly mentioned in this section.

Section F. Important Dates

Adjusted to GMT-5 time.

- Publication of the call for applications on official pages: Monday, March 30, 2025, 00:00 hours
- Stages of the first phase:
 - Application deadline: Thursday, April 30, 2026
 - Publication of shortlisted candidates, first phase: May 8, 2026
 - Selection of pre-candidates, first phase: May 9-19, 2026
 - Publication of those selected for the first phase: Wednesday, May 20, 2026
 - Upload of official documentation for participants in the first phase: May 20-22, 2026
 - Training and continuous assessment period: from May 23 to July 11, 2026.
 - Second phase requirements upload: July 11-15, 2026
- Stages of the second phase “direct impact on COP31”:
 - Publication of results of the participants selected to continue in the second phase of the program: July 11, 2025.
 - Mentoring period for participants selected to attend COP31: from August to October 2026
 - Participation in COP31: from Saturday 8 to Friday 20 November 2025.
- Stages of the third phase “return”:
 - Proposed presentation: December 1-23, 2026
 - Implementation of proposals: First or second half of 2027

Section G. Publication of results

All results will be published on the official Life of Pachamama channels and will be final. Any case not covered by this call for applications will be resolved at the discretion of the selection committee .

* Note: All posts will be made according to **GMT-5 time** , i.e., the local time of countries such as Colombia, Peru, Ecuador (without daylight saving time) and parts of Mexico.

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If someone is in a different time zone, they will need to adjust the time according to their location. For example:

- South America (Chile - GMT-3) → If a publication is made at 18:00 GMT-5, in Chile it will be at 20:00 GMT-3.
- Africa (Nigeria - GMT+1) → If a post is made at 18:00 GMT-5, in Nigeria it will be at 00:00 (midnight) GMT+1.

This ensures that all participants are clear on the reference schedule for publications.

Section H. Frequently Asked Questions:

- *What is the age range for this call for applications?*

As stated in the call for applications, only applications from people aged between 15 and 30 years old, from February 6, 2026 to November 20, 2026, will be accepted.

- I was a delegate in a previous program. Can I participate?

Yes, prior participation in similar initiatives is not a barrier. However, priority will be given to participants without experience in Conferences of the Parties. Those who have participated in previous initiatives may participate through the process established in the feedback phase, in accordance with the interests and requirements shared with the delegation.

**Note:* If you have any questions about applying under modality B, you can write directly to contact@lifeofpachamama.org, indicating in the subject line: COP31 / COUNTRY / REASON FOR INQUIRY / CANDIDATE'S NAME

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The video must be in Spanish or English, responding to the following:

- Name, age, nationality and place of residence.
- What inspired you to apply to this program? Since when and why are you a leader in socio-environmental issues?
- What do you consider to be the most pressing issues for your country in terms of climate justice?
- Why do you think COP31 will be a key event for climate action?
- What would your proposals and contributions be if you were selected to attend COP31 in person?
- How will your participation in the program impact your community after you have completed it?

How to upload videos to YouTube Studio

1. Access YouTube Studio.
2. In the upper right corner, click on CREATE  > Upload videos .
3. Choose the file you want to upload. You can upload up to 15 videos at a time. Be sure to click  Edit on each file to edit its details.

Note: Your video will be converted to the highest available resolution to ensure it plays correctly on different devices and networks. You can see the estimated processing time for SD, HD, and 4K videos. Higher resolutions, such as 4K or HD, may take longer to process. Learn more about video quality after uploading, including resolution and aspect ratio. If you encounter any issues, please refer to the common upload errors guide.

If you close the upload process before selecting the settings, the video will be saved as private on the Content page.

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ANNEX 2. AGREEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE AND COMMITMENT TO COMPLY WITH ORGANIZATIONAL POLICIES

Available at: [COP30 PROGRAM Policy Acceptance.docx](#)

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ANNEX 3. Authorization for the use of image

The undersigned, acting as representative of the minor,

_____, identified with identity document number _____, in accordance with the provisions of the current regulations on the protection of personal data, especially Law 1581 of 2012 and Decree 1074 of 2015 of Colombia, freely, expressly and unequivocally authorized Life of Pachamama (LOP) to collect and disclose:

Authorization	Photos		Audios		Videos		Other personal data	
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Authorization - Use of the holder's image:

I, _____, who subscribe to this document, identified with identity document number _____, in accordance with the provisions of the current regulations on the protection of personal data, especially Law 1581 of 2012 and Decree 1074 of 2015 of Colombia, freely, expressly and unequivocally authorize Life of Pachamama (LOP) to collect and disclose:

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The authorization includes:

1. To capture, take, store and edit personal images or photographs, make videos and audios of the minor and/or the adult mentioned above as appropriate.
2. To disclose and publish images, audios or data through any physical, electronic, virtual or any other means, public or private, that leads to the fulfillment of the organizational objectives and its current and future products, services and brands, guaranteeing that the activities that will be carried out during the development of the project are framed within the best interests of the undersigned, and in respect for their fundamental rights.

I declare that, as the data subject or representative of the minor, I understand that the collection and processing of data will be carried out in accordance with the Personal Data Processing Policy published at: www.lifeofpachamama.org, and that I have been informed of the rights of the data subject, specifically the right to: access, update, and rectify personal information, revoke authorization, and request the deletion of data, which may be exercised by contacting us at: contact@lifeofpachamama.org. I acknowledge that this authorization is granted free of charge and, therefore, declare that no sum is owed to us in respect of this document. Consequently, I agree not to claim any compensation for the use made by Life of Pachamama or any other person, whether natural or legal, or any person authorized by the entity to use the images.

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Attach a copy of your identity document

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APPENDIX 4. Instructions for the design of the policy brief – Second Phase

The purpose of writing a policy brief is to convince an informed, non-specialist audience of the urgency of an issue and the need to adopt a course of action (Young and Quinn, 2017; The SURE Collaboration, 2011). To fulfill this purpose, a policy brief should have the following basic structure:

- Title: Make sure it grabs the reader's attention, so keep it short and catchy. Try to limit it to 12 words or use a title and subtitle.
- Executive summary: In one or two short paragraphs, present the specific problem and its causes, the policy options, and your recommendation for action (Young and Quinn, 2017)
- Context or importance of the problem: The objective of this section is to convince the reader that there is a problem that needs to be addressed through policy, or that the current policy attempting to address it needs to be rethought (Young & Quinn, 2017). To do this, specify what the problem is, why it is important, what has happened and how attempts have been made to address it, and what the causes and effects are. Remember that it is necessary to present evidence that supports the claims you make.
- Policy analysis: This section outlines current policies related to the problem, what other policies could be implemented, and their implications. The text can approach this policy analysis in two ways: it can present several policy options and their implications in a neutral manner, or it can argue in favor of one of them (Young and Quinn, 2017).
- Policy recommendations: The goal is to present a detailed and compelling proposal for how to implement the policy, or any changes to it, that are needed. To do this, specify the actions that need to be taken.
- Sources consulted: Credibility is important to achieve the purpose of the policy note, so it is necessary to list, in a short section, the sources consulted and recommended. If the text reports on a particular research study, specify where that document can be found; that is, where the full argument or evidence is located (Young and Quinn, 2017).

*Note: The document must be written clearly and with strong arguments, and be between 1,500 and 3,000 words in length. It should include an engaging title, subheadings that facilitate content structuring, and, if possible, references to official data sources. Candidates in Category A must submit the text in English, while those in Category B may write it in French, Portuguese, or Spanish. The document must be submitted in PDF format, on letter-size paper, using Arial 10 font, 1.5 line spacing, and 2.5 cm margins on all sides. The file name should be the participant's last name followed by their first name, in that order. The most outstanding documents may be selected for publication in partner media outlets, youth platforms, or program outreach channels. Documents that do not guarantee authenticity, such as those supported by artificial intelligence, will be disqualified.

Example of how to make it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gbjm6ZOMOAM>

APPENDIX 5. Instructions for YouTube video - Second phase

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Oral communication skills will be assessed through a video simulating a position speech during COP31, reflecting the following elements:

- Importance of youth participation in multilateral climate negotiations.
- Relevance of the climate agenda in multilateralism and the international agenda.

Format: The video must have a maximum duration of 180 seconds (3 minutes), be in English for modality A. General. Children, adolescents, and young people in all their diversity, or in Spanish or Portuguese if applying under Modality B. Children, adolescents, and young people from indigenous, Afro-descendant, peasant, rural communities, victims of armed conflict, and/or with disabilities. speak in the third person, and be in MP4 format. The video duration must also be clearly displayed.