

## Transforming Human History

In Daisaku Ikeda's 2022 Peace Proposal he writes:

**"The SGI has consistently centred youth in our activities to tackle environmental issues. Last year, when COP26 was held in Glasgow, "Seeds of Hope & Action: Making the SDGs a Reality," an exhibition newly co-created by the Earth Charter International and the SGI, was launched. Additionally, the following statement was issued by the SGI at a press conference held during the conference:**

**'Listening to the voices of young people is not optional; it is the only logical path forward if we are genuinely concerned about the future of our world.'**

**(Soka Gakkai, "Sowing Seeds of Hope")**

**Human beings inherently possess the strength to overcome any challenge. When youth stand up in solidarity, confident that they can determine the future, this fresh awareness and momentum will surely become the driving force toward a brighter future."**

This Webinar features presentations from 4 youth division members of SGI-UK who explain how principles of sustainability apply in their work or studies and how they are engaging with Daisaku Ikeda's Peace Proposals in their daily lives.

**Estelle Marsh**, third year student at the University of East Anglia studying international development with the environment, has recently represented SGI-UK at the COP27 Intersessional Conference in Bonn. She explains how her Buddhist practice has informed her studies and approach to climate issues

**Sam Mishra** talks about the Flood Modelling system he has helped develop that provides rainfall modelling and forecasting. These inputs help farming communities with critical data, helping with sustainable farming and strategies to tackle climate change and reduce carbon footprint.

**Lily O'Connor** who works at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, gives an overview of her role in community engagement.

**Koichi Samuels** works on Renewable Energy Policy for the civil service in Northern Ireland and shares how he has used Daisaku Ikeda's Peace Proposal to recognise our shared humanity as global citizens and work towards the welfare of our planet.

**SGI-UK General Director Robert Harrap** opens the webinar with an overview of the Peace Proposal and then joins the youth panellists at the end of the webinar for a Q&A session

**This Webinar was first broadcast on Thursday 28th July 2022**

**The copyright of this recording belongs to SGI-UK. You must not link this site to any public and personal site or blogs, or on any social media without permission from SGI-UK.**