

The Earth Charter youth network Powerpoint presentation

You are encouraged to use the Earth Charter youth network presentation to present and promote the principles of the Earth Charter and to stimulate youth participation. In order to use the presentation you need to have a computer with Microsoft Powerpoint.

When you open the presentation in Powerpoint you will see the slides of the left side and will be able to edit the slides if you wish (to add the date on the first slide, your group name, etc.). To start the slideshow push the button F5 or go to the toolbar, click on "Slideshow" and then click on "View Show." The presentation will then fill the entire screen of your computer. To move from one slide to another you can: push the space bar, push the "Enter" key, use the arrow keys, or you can click the left mouse button. To stop the slide show you can push the "Esc" key. The arrow keys are very useful because you can move both forward and backwards through the slides.

Many of the slides have a lot of information that comes at different times. On the 6th slide, for example, there is a lot of information and each time you click your mouse (or push the buttons mentioned above) new information will be shown on the presentation. It is recommended that you click your mouse, talk about the information shown on the screen and then click the button again to talk about the new information. It is recommended that you become familiar with the presentation before using it. This will make you a better presenter and will also make the presentation more effective.

Try to encourage participation and discussion with your audience. The Earth Charter encourages the involvement of everyone, so try to involve as many people as possible. Encourage people to share comments, ask questions or give examples that will make your presentation more effective.

If you have any questions or need help please contact the International Youth Facilitator at youthcoordinator [a] earthcharter.org

NOTES ABOUT THE SLIDES:

Slides 2-5 are used to introduce people to the challenges facing the world

Slide 6: Click once so you see the title "What are the current challenges to life on Earth?" you can ask your audience to offer suggestions and think about what possible challenges and problems face the Earth. When you click your mouse again new information will show on the screen. Talk about each item before going to the next one. Encourage discussion of the problems with your audience

Slide 7 has three questions that you can discuss with your audience. Encourage everyone to participate.

Slide 8 talks about development. Conventional development is "A process in which industry introduces modern, larger-scale technology to manufacture products." Conventional development often causes environmental and social problems. The more important idea on Slide 8 is Sustainable Development. Two definitions of sustainable development are given on **Slide 9**. If your audience does not know what sustainable development is, go to Slide 9 and explain the idea to them. Ask for examples after you explain it.

Slide 10 is like Slide 6. Click it once so you see the title. After that, you can click to show the first key theme of sustainable development. Talk about each theme, ask for examples and then click again to show the next theme.

Slide 11 shows the Earth from space

Slides 12-15 introduce the Earth Charter and why it is important in helping the Earth.

Slides 16-42 introduce the key principles/themes of the Earth Charter and show some of the Earth Charter text itself. Feel free to discuss with your audience how the Earth Charter themes relate to sustainable development. Which themes are important to you? Which themes are very important in your community? Encourage people to speak if one of the themes or principles is very important to them or if they can share a good example of how to use a theme.

Slides 43-48 talk about the Earth Charter youth network and why it is important to participate and become active. Sharing your experiences with the Earth Charter youth network would make the presentation very effective.

Slide 49 asks the question “What can you do to help your community?” Use this question to start discussions. What Earth Charter principles would be important in your community? Do any of the ECYG examples give you ideas of how to help your community? Use this question to motivate people to get active.

