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COUNCIL OF MENTORS

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Youth General Assembly (YGA) is an autonomous organization dedicated to providing a credible platform that fosters policy and strategy development, equitable administration, and non-traditional legislative activities. YGA empowers young individuals to engage in public discourse on social issues, preparing them to be future ambassadors and democratic leaders. Our mission is to inculcate the qualities of convening and engagement among the youth, expanding their perspective and knowledge of true democracy and parliamentary politics.

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I. Introduction

The **Council of Mentors** for the **Youth General Assembly (YGA)** is composed of experienced professionals, educators, industry experts, and leaders dedicated to guiding the next generation of youth leaders. The Mentors provide strategic advice, professional insights, leadership training, policy guidance, and advocacy support to ensure that YGA achieves its mission of empowering youth to lead meaningful change in their communities and beyond.

This document outlines the structure, responsibilities, and terms of engagement for the **Council of Mentors**, establishing a mutual understanding between the Council and YGA.

II. Roles and Responsibilities of the Council of Mentors

The Council of Mentors plays a critical role in ensuring the strategic and operational success of YGA. The members' responsibilities include:

A. Strategic Guidance and Long-term Planning

- **Long-term Strategy:** Provide insights and strategic recommendations to help YGA shape its long-term vision and goals. The Council will guide the Central Committee on future directions for the organization, ensuring alignment with best practices in youth development, governance, and leadership.
- **Program and Initiative Review:** Periodically review key YGA programs and initiatives to ensure they are meeting objectives, offering feedback to improve outcomes, and suggesting areas for innovation and growth.

B. Supporting YGA Leadership

- **Leadership Development:** Offer advice to YGA's leadership team, including the Central Committee, on effective leadership practices, decision-making, and team management. The Council will help guide YGA's leadership through critical challenges, ensuring sound governance.
- **Advisory on Strategic Decisions:** Collaborate with YGA's Central Committee on high-level decision-making, ensuring that YGA's objectives are aligned with broader social, political, and professional landscapes.

C. Workshops, Training, and Professional Development

- **Training Workshops:** The Council will organize, and lead workshops focused on leadership development, project management, policy-making, communication skills, and strategic thinking. These workshops will empower YGA members with the skills necessary to excel in their roles within YGA and in their future careers.
- **Seminars on Policy and Governance:** Mentors will deliver seminars that guide members in understanding the policy-making process, governance frameworks, and effective advocacy strategies. These seminars will help YGA members contribute to the creation of impactful policies and initiatives.
- **Skills Development:** Council members will offer practical skills training in areas such as negotiation, conflict resolution, public speaking, and analytical thinking, ensuring YGA members are equipped with the tools needed for professional success.

D. Policy Guidance and Advocacy Support

- **Policy Guidance:** Council members will provide strategic guidance on YGA's policy work, helping shape advocacy campaigns, policy initiatives, and governance frameworks that align with YGA's mission. This includes reviewing and advising on policy proposals developed by YGA.
- **Supporting Policy Initiatives:** Council members will work with YGA's leadership to develop policy initiatives aimed at addressing key issues relevant to youth and broader society, offering their expertise in law, governance, and public policy.
- **Advocacy Strategy:** Council members will assist in shaping YGA's advocacy strategies, ensuring that YGA's initiatives resonate with stakeholders, policymakers, and the public.

E. Council Members who are Parliamentarians

- **Introduction of Resolutions and Call for Attention Notices:** Parliamentarians who are members of the Council of Mentors must facilitate the introduction of **resolutions or call for attention notices** prepared by YGA members in the **National Assembly, Senate, or Provincial Assemblies**. This will ensure that the voices of young leaders and their policy proposals reach the highest legislative bodies, amplifying youth perspectives in national governance.
- **Supporting Legislative Processes:** These parliamentarians will assist in navigating the legislative process, providing guidance to YGA members on how to draft effective resolutions and prepare for legislative debates.

F. Networking and External Relations

- **Building Partnerships:** Utilize personal and professional networks to establish relationships with key stakeholders, including industry leaders, governmental bodies, NGOs, and academic institutions. The Council plays a crucial role in expanding YGA's influence and resources.
- **External Representation:** Act as ambassadors for YGA, representing the organization at events, conferences, and meetings with external stakeholders. Members of the Council help raise YGA's profile and advocate for its mission.

G. Project and Initiative Feedback

- **Project Review:** Provide feedback on key YGA projects, ensuring that they align with YGA's mission and deliver tangible impact. The Council will offer insights into how projects can be scaled, refined, or expanded for greater success.
- **Recommendations for Improvement:** Suggest improvements to existing programs and initiatives based on experience, ensuring that YGA continually evolves and adapts to changing circumstances.

H. Annual Reporting and Evaluation

- **Annual Report Review:** Review the YGA Annual Report, which includes a comprehensive summary of activities, financial performance, and organizational impact over the year. The Council will provide feedback and recommendations based on the report's findings, identifying areas of success and potential growth opportunities.
- **Evaluation and Recommendations:** Based on the annual report and ongoing activities, the Council will provide formal recommendations to YGA's leadership on improving organizational effectiveness, identifying risks, and exploring new opportunities for growth and impact.

I. Sponsorship and Funding Referrals

- **Referral of Potential Sponsors:** Mentors can refer potential sponsors and sources of financial support for YGA activities.
- **Priority Follow-up:** YGA will ensure these referrals are given priority, followed up with due diligence, and incorporated into the organization's broader fundraising efforts.

III. Engagement with YGA Leadership

The Council of Mentors works closely with YGA's leadership, including the **Central Committee**, to ensure strategic alignment and effective collaboration. Key aspects of this engagement include:

Regular Meetings

The Council will meet with YGA leadership at least once annually to review the organization's performance, discuss strategic objectives, and provide formal guidance. Additional meetings may be held as needed to address specific challenges, opportunities, or projects.

Ongoing Consultation

The Central Committee may consult the Council of Mentors throughout the year on various matters, including program development, policy formulation, and external partnerships. The Council will provide timely and valuable input, helping YGA navigate complex decisions and opportunities.

Collaborative Feedback

A consistent feedback loop will be maintained between the Council and YGA leadership, ensuring that the Council's recommendations are considered and implemented effectively. The Council will remain informed of YGA's developments, and leadership will provide updates on the outcomes of Council input.

IV. Duration of Service

The duration of Members of the Council of Mentors will be **one years**, which may be renewed based on mutual agreement. Members are expected to remain actively engaged throughout their term, contributing to YGA's strategic direction and growth.

V. YGA's Commitments

A. Event and Publication Exposure

YGA will actively promote the Council's contributions, including events, workshops, and seminars led by Mentors. These events will be highlighted on YGA's social media platforms, newsletters, and official publications, ensuring visibility and recognition of their work within the organization and to the wider community.

1. Networking Opportunities

YGA will facilitate exclusive networking opportunities for the Council of Mentors, connecting them with YGA members, other mentors, industry leaders, government officials, and policy influencers. These connections will enable Mentors to engage with a diverse group of professionals, expanding their own networks while contributing to youth development.

2. Professional Recognition

Council members will be acknowledged in YGA's annual reports, publications, and at key YGA events for their role in guiding the organization and its members. Their

contributions will be celebrated publicly, enhancing their reputation as thought leaders and advocates for youth empowerment.

3. **Opportunities to Influence National and Global Youth Policy**

YGA can offer Mentors a unique chance to contribute to shaping youth policy at both national and global levels. Through their advisory role, Mentors can ensure that youth voices are heard in the policy-making process, positioning themselves as advocates for future generations and influencers in national and international discussions on youth development.

4. **Legacy Through Youth Impact**

Mentors have the unique opportunity to create lasting impact by shaping the careers and mindsets of future leaders. Their mentorship not only affects YGA members today but contributes to building a stronger, more empowered generation of future professionals, creating a legacy of youth-driven social change.

Understanding between YGA and the Council of Mentors

This document serves as a **mutual understanding** between YGA and the **Council of Mentors**. By joining the Council, members agree to uphold YGA's mission, provide valuable guidance, and support the organization's growth and leadership development.

YGA, in turn, commits to providing the Council with the necessary resources, information, and engagement opportunities to ensure a productive and impactful relationship.



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