How to Register:

- Registration is available ONLINE via the OzGREEN Website.  Click here to take you straight to Event Listings Page or alternatively there is a “I wish to Register” image link on the front page and the YLTW 2013 pages of the website.

- Each congress location has a separate Online Registration page, containing all information relating to that particular congress. This includes, venue details, map to location, campus map, contact details for the day and any other information relevant to that location.

- Registrations can be made individually by students or by teachers for groups. You are able to register multiple students ONLINE with one email address. Alternatively you can download and fill in a Multiple Registration Form for Schools form and email / fax it to ozgreen and we will register each student in house.

Permission and Media Release Form - click here to download a form

A really important part of the registration process is the Permission and Media Release form. We must receive one fully completed and signed form for each student and teacher attending. If a student is under 18 the form needs to be signed by a parent or guardian. It is preferable the form be returned to OzGREEN by the 30th August 2013, however we are able to accept the form on the first day of the congress before we kick off. Please note that if we have not received a form students may not be allowed to attend.

These forms can be printed and posted, scanned in and emailed or faxed:

eMail:  yltw@ozgreen.org.au
Fax:  02 6655 1964
Post:  PO Box 301, Bellingen, NSW 2454
Teacher attendance:

Teachers are not required to attend Youth Leading the World with their students. Students are able to register and attend individually. However, OzGreen encourages teacher attendance at the congress.

What participants should bring:

Notebook, pen, water, food for morning tea and lunch (Optional : digital camera, video recorder)

What to expect at Youth Leading the World – The Process:

Youth Leading the World is a highly participatory transformative learning congress run over three days. Registrants need to attend all three days of the congress to move through each stage of this process.

The congress process enables young people to move from a sense of overwhelm and not knowing what to do, to informed and inspired action.

Aims of the congress:

- Educate and enable youth to tackle critical sustainability challenges such as climate change, biodiversity loss, energy, water and food.
- Strengthen youth leadership skills and capacity to be change leaders in their own local community.
- Connect youth change makers locally, nationally and globally.

Roles of participants:

- **Role of Teachers/Supervising Adults**: Teachers and supervising adults play a critical role at Youth Leading the World. Their key role is to walk beside young people as they move through the process and allow youth to lead.

It is very likely that students will come up with new ideas that will not "fit" into our existing frame of reference. In the past, we have found that these innovative ideas can sometimes be met with comments from teachers and supervising adults such as "you can't do that", “that's not going to work”, “that's crazy”.

It is of upmost importance that teachers remaining open and non-judgemental of the new ideas that emerge, and furthermore, encourage their students to step up, give something of themselves and promote the creative process of YLTW. We have found from past years' congresses, that encouraging parents and teachers are a critical factor for the implementation of youth driven change strategy.

- **Role of Facilitators**: Youth Leading the World is a international event that is run by youth for youth. Young people and community members around the world have volunteered their time and undertaken training to facilitate YLTW congress events in their region.

The facilitators running the event will be wearing Youth Leading the World t-shirts. If you have any questions or require assistance at the congress, please see these people.

- **Role of students**: Please prepare your students by reminding them that to get the most out of the event, they must be prepared to give something of themselves. The more they give, the more they will get. It is important that they show respect to others, listen well and be open to new ideas.

Students are expected to be present all day, unless they have permission from their school's supervising adult or teacher to leave, and have advised the YLTW Facilitators at the event.

Criteria for Selecting Students:

OzGreen recommends schools and teachers allow students to volunteer themselves for this event. The event is targeted to students that want to be there and want to get involved. It is for those reasons that OzGreen discourages whole class bookings.
Instead, we recommend announcements be made at school assemblies, in classes, over the loud speaker, or in school newsletters, or individual students be approached with the event details and then students be able to volunteer themselves to become part of the event.

Specific student groups that we have found to be effective places to start generating interest includes the SRC, Enviro Clubs, and within special units that deal with social and environmental issues at global and local levels (i.e. Humanities, Geography, HSIE, Social Justice).

**Participating on the Day:**

**Dress Code:** It is up to individual schools and students whether they wear school uniform or not. However, OzGreen does encourage students to wear their school uniform proudly on Day 3 of the congress to be ambassadors for their school at the Youth Leading the World Community Forum.

**Arrival:** Upon arrival, students will sign a register and make name tags. It is helpful if these name tags can be worn for the duration of the congress. Students or teachers need to ensure that Permission and Media Release Forms are handed to a Facilitator.

**Films and Photographs:** Details of any restrictions in the use of photos and video of students, teachers and community members need to be included in the Permission and Media Release form.

**Certificates:** YLTW certificates will be issued to students upon their return to school.

**Key Contacts & Program Information:**

All information on congress locations can be found on [www.ozgreen.org](http://www.ozgreen.org) or contact us on 02 6655 2180 for further information on other OzGREEN Youth Leadership programs.

We sincerely thank you for your contribution to Youth Leading the World and for providing the opportunity for your students to lead the world to a fairer future.