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Terms of Reference #GenEndIt Youth Steering Group

We can end AIDS in our lifetime. So let's do it!

#[GenEndIt](#) is the beginning of a movement for our generation to stand up to HIV once and for all – by standing up for ourselves and for one another. If we are able to stop the spread of HIV as a public health threat in our lifetime (and we can), imagine what else we can do? Our generation can do anything.

Restless Development and STOPAIDS are recruiting a #GenEndIt Youth Steering Group who will convene and support young people in donor and emerging donor countries to drive change on the reprioritisation of global HIV and AIDS.

This opportunity is currently open to representatives between the **ages 18 - 35** working with HIV and AIDS focused youth organisations, movements and networks in **Australia, Canada, France, Germany, India, UK and USA.**

Closing date for applications: 13 May 2022 at 11:59pm CET

Description

Are you a passionate young activist working for an organisation, network or movement that is campaigning to ensure an end to AIDS in our lifetime? Are you interested in connecting and collaborating with like minded young people to lead campaigns for strong financial commitments to The Global Fund? Do you want to help create and support targeted national actions that will seek to strengthen community and national level HIV youth movements and deliver powerful joined up advocacy? Would you like to help design a groundbreaking new Youth HIV Mobilisation Fund that will provide small, micro grants to local advocacy and campaigning actions?

If yes, then this could be an exciting opportunity for you to join our new #GenEndIt Youth Steering Group.



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Background

HIV continues to be one of the greatest challenges of our time.

Since the discovery of HIV in 1981, it is estimated over 30 million people have died from AIDS-related illnesses. Every day, around 2,000 people will die of AIDS-related illnesses and another 5,000 will contract HIV; a staggering 1 in 3 of these will be between the ages of 15-24.

We have the tools and the knowledge to end the epidemic. So what's stopping us?

Young people are one of the populations most vulnerable to HIV and will be directly affected by the decisions we make today. The future of the HIV epidemic is in the hands of young people and by combining our energy with the commitment of the public, and the work of those focused on the epidemic, we can tackle it head on and shift the course of history.

This is our chance, our window of opportunity. Let's create a movement of awareness, discussion, storytelling, empathy, accountability, and mobilisation owned by everyone. By joining forces and working together across platforms, across communities, and across industries, we can inspire and be the new generation of activists that will commit to ending HIV and AIDS in our lifetime.

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#GenEndIt's work focuses primarily on creating a global community of youth activists in partnership with a coalition of organisations championing young people who share a common commitment to ending HIV and AIDS.

The work that Restless Development and STOPAIDS are leading together as part of #GenEndIt is specifically targeted at donor and emerging donor countries to drive change on the reprioritisation of global HIV and AIDS.

Read more about #GenEndIt [HERE](#).

Youth Steering Group

Restless Development and STOPAIDS are recruiting a new Youth Steering Group that will convene and support young people in donor and emerging donor countries to drive change on the reprioritisation of global HIV and AIDS.

This Group will be made up of youth representatives between the **ages of 18 - 35** who are working with HIV and AIDS focussed youth organisations, movements and networks in **Australia, Canada, France, Germany, India, UK and USA.**



Title	Youth Steering Group Member
Location	Australia, Canada, France, Germany, India, UK or USA
Compensation	Youth Steering Group Members will be offered compensation to recognise the time commitments and expertise they are inputting
Start Date	30 May 2022
End Date	26 May 2023
Hours per Week	2 - 4 (approx)

Skills and Experience

We are looking for members to join the Youth Steering Group who:

- Are part of an existing active HIV and AIDS youth organisation, network or movement.
- Bring previous experience collaborating with other young people to help design or deliver a campaign at either local, national or global level on HIV and AIDS.
- Have strong knowledge of the causes of HIV as a public health threat.
- Have experience of working effectively and collaboratively as part of a virtual team.
- Bring a strong sense of commitment to the mission of [#GenEndIt](#).

Main Responsibilities

The Youth Steering Group will work together to deliver the following activities:

- Co-design and lead a joint [#GenEndIt](#) campaign targeting donor and emerging donor countries on their reprioritisation of HIV and AIDS.
- Share and co-design tools and resources to support youth advocacy and campaigning.
- Amplify national campaigning actions and priorities through joined up mobilisation and communications activities.

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- Participate in various national, regional and global influencing global platforms to share #GenEndIt campaign priorities.
- Co-design and manage a Youth HIV Mobilisation Fund to provide small, micro grants to local advocacy and campaigning actions in the seven priority donor and emerging countries

Requirements of the Role

There are several important requirements for this role, in particular:

- Participating in **three onboarding and induction calls the week of the 30 May 2022.**
- Attending **monthly coordination and planning calls.**
- Dedicating between **2 - 4 hours per week** to the work of the Youth Steering Group (this is a general estimate of time, and might be slightly more or less depending on upcoming activities and deadlines).
- Have **regular and reliable access to the internet** as most coordination will be via online platforms and using Google Docs.
- **Strong spoken and written English** - as most communication will be conducted in English - other languages definitely considered an advantage.
- **Write a campaign blog or opinion piece at least once** during the duration of the term.

Individual Benefits

This is an exciting opportunity for young leaders to join a diverse global network driving action and leading #GenEndIt campaigns. Members will be supported with all required training and resources especially on global coordination, communications and campaigns.

Specifically, joining the #GenEndIt Youth Steering Group will offer the following opportunities:

- Work with a diverse group of young people from around the world, learning from each other's work and building connections within and outside your country's borders.
- Have the opportunity to build capacity and skills around accountability, campaigning and communications.
- Create new and impactful relationships and connections with different decision makers, organisations, networks, movements, donors and other young people.

Principles and Values



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The Youth Steering Group will adhere to the **values of equality, democracy, solidarity and self-responsibility**. Members will stand for honesty, openness, and caring for each other and the team.

The Youth Steering Group will **not tolerate harassment of any kind or discrimination** on the basis of gender, sexual orientation and sexual identity or social, racial, and political background.

Members will **share their knowledge and skills** wherever possible among each other and with peers outside the group to enable everyone to contribute most effectively.

How to Apply

If you are interested in becoming a member of the #GenEndIt Youth Steering Group, please submit the following by **11:59pm CET on 13 May 2022**:

- **a short video of yourself** (of no more than 2 minutes) explaining your **motivation** for wanting to join the Youth Steering Group. Please note, this is not expected to be a professional video, just a recording made on a handheld video recorder, mobile phone or tablet. We encourage you to be creative and show us your personality! Please share the video as either a We Transfer or google drive file, or on a YouTube link clearly labelled with your name in the application form.

- complete an [online application form](#) (should take no more than 20 minutes) to share more about your interests and experience, which is required for this role.

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