

CALL FOR FACILITATORS

YOUTH IN A CHANGING WORLD

a project of Columbia University's Committee on Global Thought

Are you a dynamic person and do you have knowledge and experience of local and global youth issues? If so, Columbia University's Committee on Global Thought invites you to apply to become a facilitator for the Youth in a Changing World (YCW) workshop that will take place in **Rio de Janeiro, Brazil** on **November 5, 2018**. The facilitators will be asked to coordinate meaningful discussions with youth on their thoughts about and experiences of and within the rapidly changing world.

WHAT IS IT?

Developed by Columbia University's Committee on Global Thought in collaboration with Columbia Global Centers, the Youth in a Changing World (or YCW) project asks: **How are youth around the world affecting and being affected by the rapidly changing world?** Through a series of workshops with youth around the world, this project will identify the commonalities and differences among global youth populations, towards producing concrete proposals for both global and local approaches to meet ongoing challenges.

The YCW Rio workshop will be one of several workshops that will span the globe in countries including the United States, India, China, France, Tunisia, and Kenya. Dr. Vishakha Desai, Columbia University Senior Advisor for Global Affairs to the President and Senior Research Scholar, School of International and Public Affairs, will lead the Youth in a Changing World workshop in Rio. Attendees will include 20 to 25 local youth participants between the ages of 18 and 24. Through large group activities and concurrent small group discussions, the workshop will explore the project's five interrelated thematic areas: 1) Aspirations and the future; 2) Education and the future of work; 3) Digital technologies, identity, & communication/connection; 4) Security and wellbeing; and 5) Engagement with the world & youth as agents of change. The central goal the YCW Rio workshop is to both gather the insights of youth participants and have them help shape a global conversation.

WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

We are specifically looking for someone who:

- Is at least 18 years of age
- Is familiar with global youth issues
- Is knowledgeable about the issues facing Brazilian youth
- Is bilingual (Portuguese-English)

- Is able to facilitate interactive group discussion/interview; provide inspiring input for discussions, and guide participants on how to present the results of group discussion
- Is experienced in using discussion and interview-based methodologies
- Has strong leadership and communication skills, as well as sensitivity to diversity
- Is willing to commit sufficient time and effort into the content preparation and facilitation of the workshop. The total time commitment would be 7 hours, 2 hours prior to the workshop, 4 hours on the day of the workshop, and 1 hour post workshop.

WHAT DO WE REQUIRE OF FACILITATORS?

Facilitators are required to lead a focus group discussion (FGD) interview with 4 to 5 participants and to tie the FGD interview to the workshop and the larger project. Facilitators are also required to participate in a 1-hour training prior to the workshop, as well as provide minor logistical support during the workshop.

Facilitators must also be available on the following dates and times:

- October 25, 2018, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- November 5, 2018, all day
- November 12, 2018, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WHAT WILL FACILITATORS RECEIVE?

- Training on research ethics and FGD administration from Columbia University professors and researchers
- Experience conducting hands-on qualitative research as part of a global research project
- Certificate of Appreciation from Columbia University's Committee of Global Thought
- Private dinner with local and international scholars and practitioners working on youth (optional)
- Modest gift for facilitating the workshop and leading an FGD.

PLEASE FOLLOWING THE LINK TO APPLY TO BE A YCW WORKSHOP FACILITATOR:

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