Activities of the YGL Community

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The activities of the Forum of Young Global Leaders are almost as diverse as the community itself. Throughout the year, activities are planned with the three pillars of the YGL community – community building, generating insight and undertaking collective action – providing a strong framework for the events.

The Forum of Young Global Leaders organizes regular events throughout the year including the YGL Summits, which provide an opportunity for fellow YGLs to meet, share ideas and discuss ways to collectively shape the future. The Kennedy School Leadership and Public Policy for the 21st Century Module provides a convening opportunity for the YGLs to gain critical skills and knowledge in key issue areas as well as leadership skills.

YGLs often initiate different task forces around the biggest global challenges facing our generation – health, education, the environment, global governance and security, and development and poverty. Often when YGLs meet, new ideas and task forces are initiated. Some concrete activities stemming from the task forces include addressing hunger in the developing world, promoting mass deworming in schools for children affected by parasitic worms and spreading the principles of dignity in schools around the globe.

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