

# Youth in Co-op

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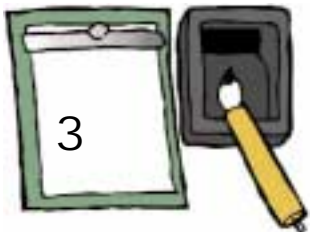


# §1. Background

1-1 The seventh principle  
of ICA Statement: "Concern for Community"

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" Human Resource Development Program for Youth"

Submitted to the 28th meeting of the ICA Consumer Committee for  
Asia and the Pacific on June 11, 1996 &  
ICA HRD Committee for AP on June 12, 1996

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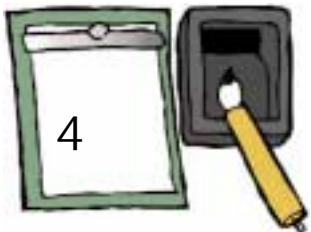
## The seventh principle of ICA Statement: "Concern for Community"

The seventh principles of ICA Statement on the Cooperative Identity viz., "Concern for Community" is the real challenge for the all types of cooperatives.

The questions:

Can we do something for the problems of youth which is integral to the community concerns?

Is it not time that we address issues like education and poverty?



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## Network of Co-operatives

The issue of contributing to the community calls for a NETWORK OF COOPERATIVES. As a part of this network the university cooperatives may attend to the problem of education. If it is true that "education helps ease the problem of poverty", the cooperatives will have to show concern towards this crucial issue. The emphasis therefore, is that there is a need for cooperation among cooperatives not only in the economic front but in the cultural front as well.



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## Vital issue: Youth participation

The belief of this proposal on HRD of Youth through cooperatives is that "participation in vital issues of Community makes consumer coops more acceptable to the people and enhances its social image."



## §2. Development

2-1 Global Level

2-2 Regional (A/P) Level

2-3 Local Level (ex. NFUCA)



## 2-1 Global Level

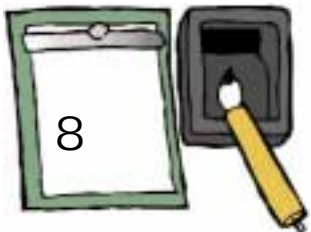
Youth Forum in 1999 in conjunction with ICA Conference  
in Quebec city, Canada

"Adding Value to Cooperatives:  
Youth involvement in the new millennium"

(<http://www.coop.org/ica/ica/icaevents/congress1999/index.html>)

The ICA working group on Youth Initiative met on June 16, 2000 in Geneva for a brainstorming session.

The aim of the group is to promote a network of youth co-operators and encourage their involvement in ICA activities, collect information from the regions on members' activities and draft a strategy paper for submission to the ICA Board at their next meeting in Bratislava, October 2000.





## 2-2 Regional (A/P) Level

1996 1st Regional Campus/Youth Co-operative Seminar

~Site: Singapore

~Theme: "Youth of Today, Leaders of Tomorrow"

~Output: Youth Vision for the Year 2000

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1999 2nd Regional Campus/Youth Co-operative Seminar

~Site: the Philippines

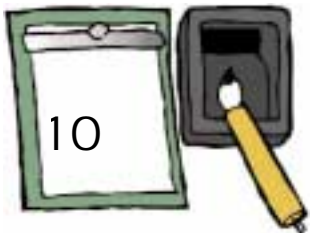
~Theme: "Future Leaders Leading Now"

~Output: Regional Youth Develop Plan



## 2-3 Local Level (ex. NFUCA)

The "Youth forum on cooperation in Japan" will be held firstly in November or next month. In doing it, the NFUCA is taking the initiative, in collaboration with JCCU (Japan Consumers' Cooperative Union), JA Group (Japan Agricultural Cooperatives), JWCU (Japan Workers' Cooperative Union), and other umbrella organizations which have connections with the NFUCA.

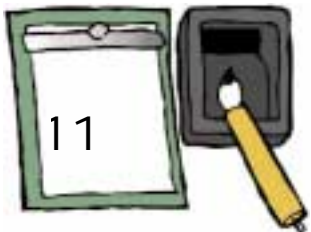


## §3. For the 21st century

Kofi A. Annan, UN Secretary General, urged in International Youth Day Message

" Let us resolve to consolidate our partnership with youth on every front. Let us ensure that the leaders of today listen carefully to the leaders of tomorrow. Let us pledge that young people's voices will be heard all over the world in the twenty-first century." ( Aug. 8, 2000)

3rd ICA Regional Youth Seminar will be held in Tokyo, Japan, in 2001



# 3rd ICA Regional Youth Seminar

At the beginning of the 21st century, we are going to organize the first regional youth leaders' seminar, followed by last campus co-op youth seminars, as an international collaborated activity that create a new perspective in the next century. On this occasion, we are expecting all types of cooperatives to join to this effort and to develop youth activities, cooperation in the community and the cooperatives locally and regionally.

Date: 24 (Sun) - 27 (Wed), June 2001

Venue: National Olympics Memorial Youth Center, Tokyo

Theme:  **"Leaders towards Cooperation, Leading New Century"**

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(note) National Olympics Memorial Youth Center  
([Http://www.nyc.go.jp/eng/e00101.html](http://www.nyc.go.jp/eng/e00101.html))



Thank you  
for  
your kind attention!

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