

PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION  
UNION PANAFRICAIN  
DE LA JEUNESSE



الإتحاد الإفريقي للشباب  
UNIÃO PANAFRICANA  
DA JUVENTUDE

# PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION ACTIVITY REPORT 2022



PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION  
60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

1962 - 2022

Renaissance • Resilience • Consolidating Our Gains

ACTIVATING THE RENEWAL AGENDA: MOBILIZING AND  
CATALYZING TOWARDS A RE-ENGINEERED FUTURE



© 2022 PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION (PYU).

**All Right Reserved.** No reproduction or translation of this publication may be made without prior written permission. Request for permission to further disseminate, reproduce or translate all or part of this publication should be obtained from PYU, Rue Amir Abdelkader 5, 10080 Agdal Riyad Rabat, Morocco, Email: [info@panafricanyouthunion.org](mailto:info@panafricanyouthunion.org)

# Table of Contents

Forward by the President	03
Message from the Secretary-General	04
Introduction	05
The 2022-2025 Pan-African Youth Union Committee Composed Of	06
Strategic Objectives For 2022	07
5 Key Targets For 2022	08
Programmatic Interventions - (Coordination, Representation, Think Tank, Empowerment)	09
Interventions And Activities Undertaken	10
Pan-African Youth Union (PYU) Executive Committee Orientation And Training Workshop	10
Meeting With Minister Of Youth Of The Republic Of Ghana	10
Official Visit To President Of The Republic Of Ghana, H.E Nana Addo Danquah Akufo Addo	11
YouthConnekt Africa Partners Meeting And Policy Consultation - Kigali	13
East Africa Regional Coordinating Meeting - Kenya And Uganda	13
Youth Connekt Stakeholders Meeting - Kigali, 5th April	14
Meeting With Minister For Youth Of The Republic Of Uganda - Kampala	14
Meeting With Senior Presidential Advisor On Youth To President Of Republic Of Uganda	14
Meeting With Speaker Of Parliament Of Uganda	15
Pan-African Youth Union And Pan-African Women Organisation Undertake Joint Effort To Achieve The Renewal Agenda	15
PYU And ICESCO Preparatory Talks For Collaborations	16
Engagement With United Cities And Local Governments Authority (UCLG-Africa)	16
Pan-African Women Organization And Pan-African Youth Union To Collaborate In Ensuring The Drive Towards Pan-Africanism	17
Pan-African Youth Union Meeting With President Of The Republic Of Uganda, H.E Yoweri Kaguta Museveni In Entebbe	17
Secretary-General Engagement With The Leadership Of The Ethiopian Youth Federation In Addis Ababa	18
Meeting With Ambassador Of The Republic Of Ghana To The Kingdom Of Morocco	18
Secretary-General Engagement With Young Leaders From North Africa And Middle East	19
Vice President For West Africa Pays Courtesy Call On Secretary-General	19
1st Annual Consultative Dialogue	20
PYU Secretariat Received The Botswana National Sports Commission (BNSC) Vice Chairperson	23
Secretary-General Hosts Members Of Parliament From Ghana	23
Secretary-General Joins Ghana To Mark International Youth Day	24
Engagement With Director-General Of The United Nations Office In Africa	25
Secretary-General Represents PYU At 18th Africa Scout Conference In Nairobi, Kenya	25
Africa Climate Week 2022	26
Secretary-General Visits National Youth Council Of Côte D'Ivoire In Abidjan	27
A Visit To The Chief Secretary Of The Government Of Zanzibar	27
President Of Zanzibar Hosts The Executive Committee Of The Pan-African Youth Union	28
PYU Delegation Meets With Zanzibar Youth To Reinforce Effective Youth Mainstreaming And Coordination	28
PYU Delegation Visits Permanent Secretary Of The Ministry Of Foreign Affairs Of The United Republic Of Tanzania	29
Secretary-General Leads Delegation To Engage President And Key Political Actors In Tanzania	29
The West Africa Youth Security Summit	30
Meeting With Minister For Youth And Sports Development Of The Federal Republic Of Nigeria	30
PYU Regional Secretariat Allocation In Abuja	31
PYU Collaboration With Youth Hub Africa	31
PYU Side-Event On The Margins Of YouthConnekt - Kigali, Rwanda	32
Leadership Of All Africa Students Union And Nile Youth Development Action Courtesy Call On Pan-African Youth Union Secretariat	32
Pan-African Youth Union And Observatoire Marocain De La Jeunesse To Collaborate	32
PYU Supports Gambian National Youth Council Towards National Youth Conference 2022 In Banjul	33
Secretary-General Courtesy Visit To H.E Adama Barrow, President Of The Gambia	33
Conclusion	35

## FOREWARD BY THE **PRESIDENT**



2022 marked a year we celebrate 60 years of the Pan African Youth Union (PYU), I am honored to share my forward to this year`s report a reflection of our collective strides toward empowering Africa`s youth. For six decades, the Pan African Youth Union has united national youth coordinating mechanisms across the continent, championing the dreams and aspirations of millions of young Africans.

In 2022, we demonstrated the transformative power of youth in driving progress, overcoming challenges, and shaping Africa`s future. This report highlights our key achievements, reaffirming our commitment to youth leadership, innovation, and inclusion as pillars of Africa`s growth.

Let this milestone inspire us to strengthen our unity, deepen our resolve, and remain unwavering in our vision of a prosperous, youth-led Africa. Together, we are the architects of our continent`s destiny.

**MOUMOUNI DIALLA**  
**PRESIDENT**  
**PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION (PYU)**



## MESSAGE FROM THE **SECRETARY-GENERAL**

It is with great pleasure and a sense of accomplishment that I introduce the Report of the Secretariat for the year 2022. This document encapsulates a year of dedicated efforts, collaborative initiatives, and significant achievements by the Pan African Youth Union (PYU) in advancing the aspirations and interests of the African youth.

In a world characterized by rapid change, complex challenges, and remarkable opportunities, the youth of Africa continue to stand at the forefront of progress and transformation. Our commitment to unity, development, and empowerment has driven us to tirelessly work towards creating a brighter future for the young people of our continent.



This report provides a comprehensive overview of the activities, programs, and projects undertaken by the Secretariat during the past year. From capacity-building workshops that equipped young leaders with essential skills, to advocacy campaigns that amplified youth voices on critical issues, each endeavor has contributed to our collective journey towards a more prosperous and inclusive Africa.

One of the hallmarks of this reporting period has been our emphasis on collaboration. We have engaged with partners, stakeholders, and fellow youth organizations across the African continent and beyond. Through these partnerships, we have leveraged resources, shared knowledge, and amplified the impact of our initiatives. The essence of unity and solidarity that defines the Pan African Youth Union has been at the heart of these successful endeavors.

As we reflect on our accomplishments, we also acknowledge the challenges that lie ahead. The path to progress is not always linear, and there is still much work to be done. However, I am confident that with our unwavering commitment, passion, and resilience, we will continue to overcome obstacles and realize our shared vision for a prosperous and united Africa.

I extend my sincere gratitude to all members of the Pan African Youth Union, our dedicated Secretariat team, our partners, and the youth across the continent who have been instrumental in bringing our goals to fruition. Your dedication and enthusiasm inspire us to strive for excellence and make a lasting impact.

In closing, I invite you to delve into the pages of this report, which vividly depict our journey over the past year. Let us be energized by our achievements and reinvigorated in our determination to shape a future where the voices, aspirations, and potential of African youth are fully realized.

Together, we are forging a path towards a brighter and more prosperous Africa.

In unity and solidarity,

**WIISICHONG BENING AHMED**  
**SECRETARY-GENERAL**  
**PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION (PYU)**

## INTRODUCTION

The Fourth Ordinary Congress of the Pan African Youth Union held in Niamey Niger 15th -16th November 2021 elected the current Executive Committee for our union.

The Executive Committee and new headquarters of the Pan African Youth Union were inaugurated on the 21st February 2022 at the historic Challah in Rabat. This brought an end to the term of the erstwhile Executive Committee and opened a new chapter in the history of the Pan African Youth Union.

This report of the year 2022 of the Pan African Youth Union secretariat provides a comprehensive overview of the activities, engagements, programs, and projects undertaken by the Secretariat during the past year, deriving from the Pan African Youth Union's Renewal Agenda and the fundamental roles of the union within the ecosystem which includes the Coordination role, Representation role, Think Tank role and Empowerment role, from capacity-building workshops that equipped young leaders with essential skills, to advocacy campaigns that amplified youth voices on critical issues, to engagements to mobilize partnerships and drive the youth agenda, each endeavor has contributed to our collective journey towards a more prosperous and inclusive Africa.

The report categorically marks a fundamental improvement to the effort to derive the mandate of the union to the youth of Africa.



## THE 2022-2025 PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF:

<b>Republic of Burkina Faso</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Republic of Ghana</b>	<b>Secretary-General</b>
<b>Islamic Republic of Mauritania</b>	<b>Vice President for North Africa</b>
<b>Republic of Namibia</b>	<b>Vice President for Southern Africa</b>
<b>Republic of Uganda</b>	<b>Vice President for East Africa</b>
<b>Federal Republic of Nigeria</b>	<b>Vice President for West Africa</b>
<b>Central African Republic</b>	<b>Vice President for Central Africa</b>
<b>Diaspora</b>	<b>ADEYFE</b>
<b>State of Libya</b>	<b>Deputy Secretary-General for North Africa</b>
<b>Republic of Botswana</b>	<b>Deputy Secretary-General for Southern Africa</b>
<b>Republic of Kenya</b>	<b>Deputy Secretary-General for East Africa</b>
<b>Republic of Chad</b>	<b>Deputy Secretary-General for Central Africa</b>
<b>Diaspora</b>	<b>ADEYFE</b>
<b>Kingdom of Morocco</b>	<b>Host Country</b>
<b>Vacant</b>	<b>Deputy Secretary-General for West Africa</b>
<b>Regional organization</b>	<b>All Africa Students Union</b>
<b>Thematic Organisation</b>	-
<b>Thematic Organisation</b>	-



## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES FOR 2022

The cardinal focus and principles that guided the work of the general secretariat to drive the renewal agenda included our quest to:



### **ACTIVATE:**

The sense of ownership and belongingness to the Pan African Youth Union among youth organizations in Africa through rebranding the PYU as a key and strategic focal platform for coordinating Youth across the continent.



### **MOBILIZE:**

All National Youth Councils, National Coordinating Mechanisms and youth organizations rally around the rejuvenation of PYU as the foremost continental youth platform to galvanize young people across the African Youth development Ecosystem and as a broad-based representative continental platform potent and resilient to galvanize support for the socio-economic transformation of Africa.



### **CATALYZE:**

Strategically position the Pan African Youth Union as a Catalyst for the socio-politico-economic transformation of Africa, to expand, impact and amplify the work of youth and youth organizations across Africa to influence governmental and development policies in youth-centric dimension and to stimulate a resilient and robust architecture for youth mobilization towards meaningful engagement and participation in Africa's transformation agenda and elevate youth mainstreaming in a Multi-sectoral and cross-dimensional policy development and implementation through inclusive approaches to drive Africa's socio-economic development and prosperity.



### **CONNECT:**

Build bridges and meaningful synergies to ignite collaborations among networks, councils and the broader youth development ecosystem in Africa.



01

Remobilize National Youth Councils and equivalent National Coordinating Mechanisms, Regional Platforms and Youth Civil Society Organizations and thematic youth organizations towards the Pan African Youth Union's Renewal agenda.

02

Re-align with governments and member states for increased political and logistical support in accordance with African Heads of state and Governments Assembly decision AU/Dec.363(XVII) for the realization of the renewal agenda.

05

Develop and launch a website and social media presence as key outlets for the Pan African Youth Union

## 5 KEY TARGETS FOR 2022

03

Mobilize strategic non-state actors as partners and stakeholders to support the key priorities of the PYU and the renewal objectives and outcomes.

04

Develop a strategic plan and thematic strategic directions for coherence and harmonization of PYU operations.

## PROGRAMMATIC INTERVENTIONS - (COORDINATION, REPRESENTATION, THINK TANK, EMPOWERMENT)

---



### **COORDINATION ACTIONS:**

Geared to coordinate the youth ecosystem in Africa and beyond and bring about a common voice and position across grassroots and decision makers.



### **REPRESENTATION ACTIONS:**

Actions geared to represent African youth across national, sub-regional, regional, and global platforms, across governments and state actors, non-state actors, Civil Society Organizations, Development Partners, United Nations and the Africa Union.



### **THINK TANK ACTIONS:**

Actions geared to provide a platform for critical and systematic thought to provide alternative opinion and develop policy harmonization and solutions that work for youth across various social, environmental, and economic landscapes both nationally, sub-regionally, regionally and globally.



### **EMPOWERMENT ACTIONS:**

Actions designed to deliver a robust solution for current, cross-cutting and rather fundamental gaps and challenges affecting the youth and entire community through youth-centered actions.



## INTERVENTIONS AND ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN

### PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION(PYU) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ORIENTATION AND TRAINING WORKSHOP

The executive convened in South Africa in March for a 5 Day Orientation and drawing of the 2022-2025 strategic plan of the institution.

### STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENTS IN 2022 - POLITICAL, DIPLOMATIC AND

#### MEETING WITH MINISTER OF YOUTH OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA, MARCH 2

The President and Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union engaged the Minister of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Ghana Hon. Mustapha Ussif.

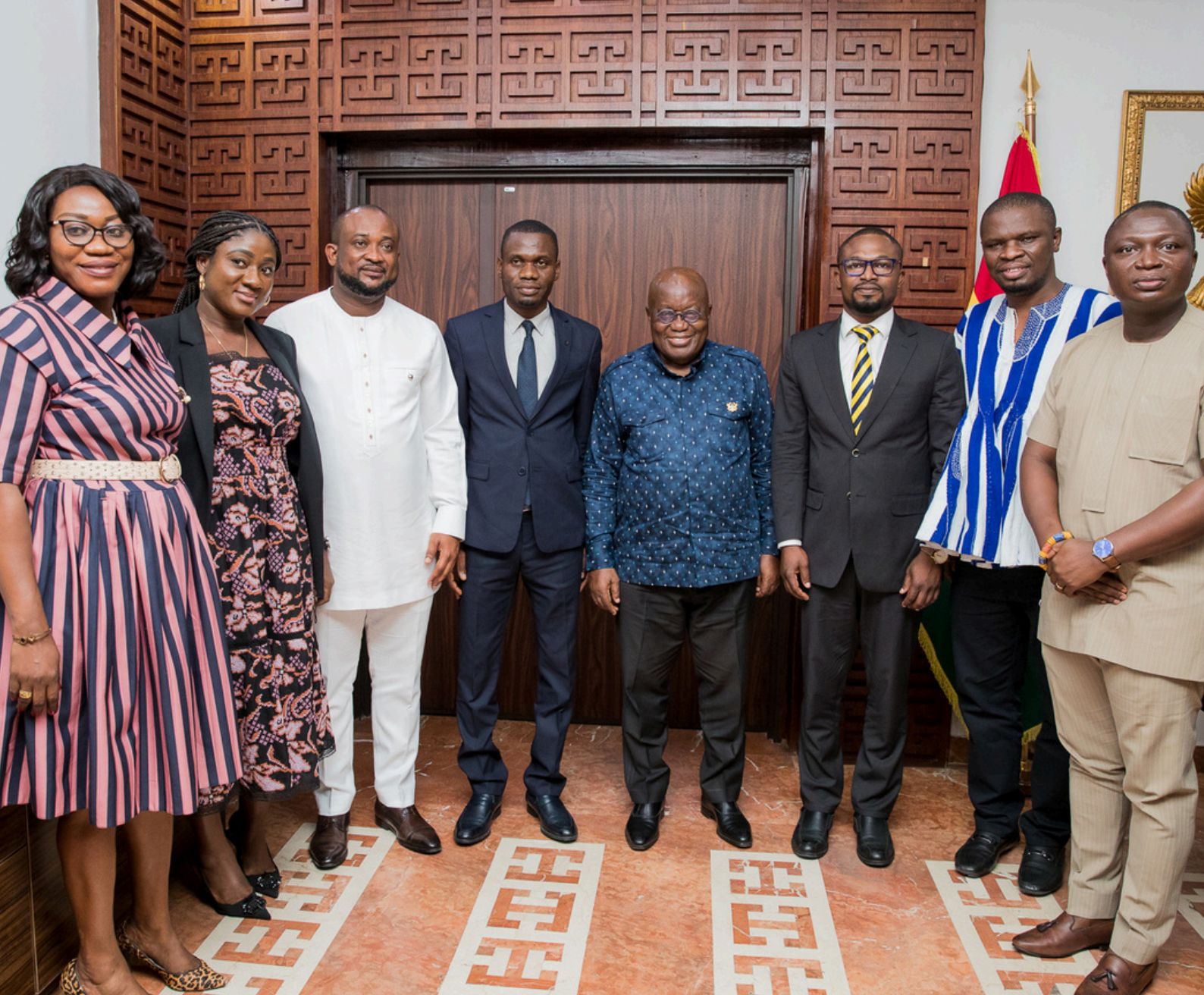
This forms part of strategic actions to mobilize political support toward the Renewal Agenda of PYU and building consensus with member states to consolidate the renaissance of the Union after the Niamey congress.

Present in the meeting was the CEO of the Ghana National Youth Authority, Mr. Pius Enam Hadzide and the Deputy CEO Nelson, Mr. Nelson Owusu Ansah.

The leadership of PYU expressed appreciation regarding the reception and commitment from member states towards building a resilient Pan African Youth Union.







## OFFICIAL VISIT TO PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA, H.E NANA ADDO DANQUAH AKUFO ADDO, 2ND MARCH

The leadership of the Pan African Youth Union met with **H.E Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President of the Republic of Ghana and Chairman of ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State** and Governments at the Jubilee House today.

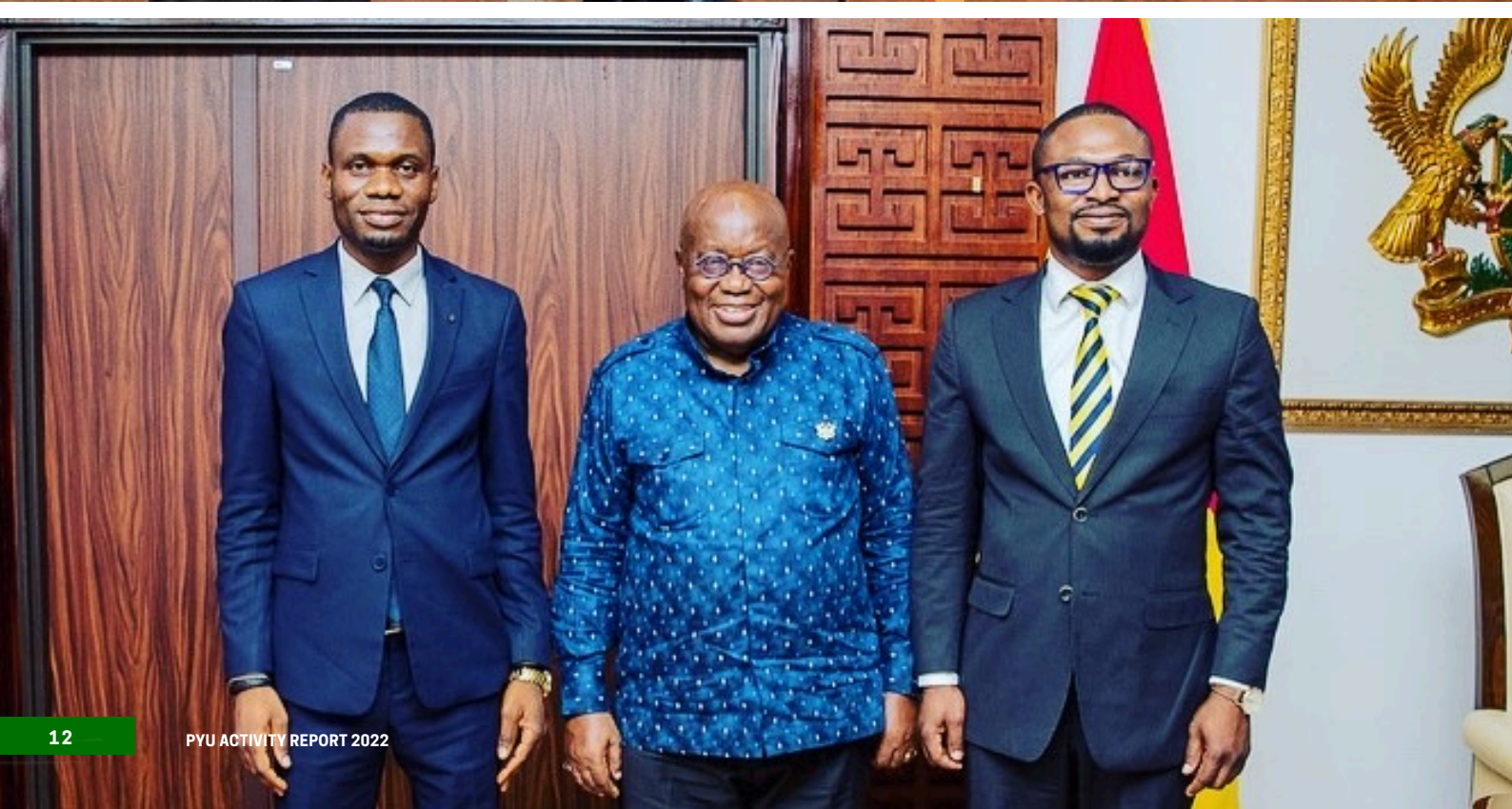
The Minister of Youth and Sports, Hon. Mustapha Ussif and Chief Executive of National Youth Authority of Ghana, mR. Pius Enam Hadzide led the delegation and presented the message of the youth to the president.

The leadership conveyed gratitude to His Excellency the President for his commitment to democracy, Peace, Security and Stability on the continent and requested his support towards the Renewal agenda of the Pan African Youth Union.

President Akufo-Addo assured the Union and the African youth of his support towards building a resilient youth development space.

The Pan African Youth Union is thanked His Excellency and the government of Ghana for the commitment towards achieving the objectives of Agenda 2063 and the Africa We Want.







## **YOUTHCONNEKT AFRICA PARTNERS MEETING AND POLICY CONSULTATION- KIGALI**

The Union activated our institution-to-institution engagement with the Africa Youth Connekt hub in Kigali as part of efforts towards harmonizing the youth development ecosystem in Africa and galvanizing strategic stakeholders across the youth development space.

The Secretary General(Mr. Wiisichong Bening Ahmed) and Deputy Secretary-General for the East Africa(Mr. Roy Sasaka Telewa) participated in the partners meeting and Policy consultations in Kigali to reinforce our commitment towards fostering critical synergies with institution creating opportunities for youth empowerment and engagement.

The Africa Youth Connekt initiative led by the government of the Republic of Rwanda and the UNDP provides an enabling platform for youth and youth organisation to amplify their voices, network and scale up youth development actions



## **EAST AFRICA REGIONAL COORDINATING MEETING- KENYA AND UGANDA**

The Secretary-General joined the East Africa Regional coordinating team in Uganda as part of mobilizing political support towards reinforcing the union in East Africa. The engagements included a working consultation with the National Youth Council of Uganda and other youth serving organisation. The team also engaged the Minister of Youth, Hon. Sarah Mateke and the Commissioner for youth.

The consultations further included the Senior Presidential Advisor on Youth to the President of the Republic of Uganda, Hon Florence Nakiwala as well as the parliamentary portfolio committee for youth.

The meeting cascaded into a meeting with the President of the Republic of Uganda to seek the political and logistical support towards the regional office.

## **YOUTH CONNEKT STAKEHOLDERS MEETING- KIGALI, 5TH APRIL**

The Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union joined the development Partners for the Youth Connekt stakeholders meeting convened by the Youth Connekt Africa Hub in Kigali, Rwanda. This was part of preparatory actions leading to Youth Connekt 2022 slated for October in Kigali-Rwanda. The Pan African Youth Union is excited to associate with this movement of Change and admires leadership the Republic of Rwanda continues to provide on the continent.

## **MEETING WITH MINISTER FOR YOUTH OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA-KAMPALA, APRIL 12TH**

The Secretary-General led a delegation comprising the East African Regional coordinating team of the Pan African Youth Union, Ms. Mutesi Oliver (Vice President for East Africa) and Mr. Roy Sasaka (Deputy Secretary-General for East Africa) to meet with the Minister of state responsible for youth. The objective of the meeting was to discuss with the Minister, Hon. Sarah Mateke on the critical need for political support towards the PYU and their representative on the Executive committee.

Mr. Jacob Eyeru, Chairman of the Uganda National Youth Council, led the delegation to the Ministry.

The Minister reaffirmed her commitment and the government of Uganda to the renewal agenda of the PYU.



## **MEETING WITH SENIOR PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR ON YOUTH TO PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC OF UGANDA, APRIL 13**

As part of the Pan African Youth Union delegation's visit to the Republic of Uganda, the team engaged the Senior Presidential Advisor on Youth to President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, Hon. Nikiwala as a key stakeholder in youth development. Meeting was also intended to rally the presidency for political and institutional support towards the East Africa Regional coordinating office.

The delegation also engaged the Hon. Minister for National Security to the Republic of Uganda on same subject.





### **MEETING WITH SPEAKER OF PARLIAMENT OF UGANDA, APRIL 13**

The Speaker of Parliament of Uganda, the Rt. Hon. Anita Among, received the Pan African Youth Union delegation led by its Secretary-General.

Discussions centered on courting political support to the Pan African Youth Union of which The Rt. Hon. Speaker assured the PYU of her unwavering support.

The Secretary-General pledged to continue to engage the legislature across Africa to scale up our advocacy for youth mainstreaming and Partnerships to champion a resilient youth ecosystem.

### **PAN AFRICAN YOUTH UNION AND PAN AFRICAN WOMEN ORGANISATION UNDERTAKE JOINT EFFORT TO ACHIEVE THE RENEWAL AGENDA, APRIL 14**

In line with the vision of achieving agenda 2030 and agenda 2063, the Secretary-General continued to set the platform for consolidating relevant partnerships. On this occasion, he met with the Secretary-General of PAWO, Hon. Grace Kabayo who also doubles as the Senior Presidential Advisor to President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni for Special Duties.

The engagement saw both partnerships sharing workable ideas to set the drive for the full manifestations of African renaissance. Fundamentally, both the Pan African Youth Union and the Pan African Women's Organization were foundation structures established in 1962 to drive the decolonization process.

These institutions gave political good will and impetus to the liberation movements before the formation of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) now African Union (AU) a year after in 1963.

The PYU expressed excitement that the two historic organizations are beginning to find themselves towards the renaissance process.



## **PYU AND ICESCO PREPARATORY TALKS FOR COLLABORATIONS, APRIL 15**

A meeting between the Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union and Director for Social and Human sciences for ICESCO, Madam Ramata Almamy Mbaye was on possible partnerships between the two organizations in Rabat.

The dialogue premised on joint programming and areas of mutual interest between the two institutions and effective ways in which great opportunities can be harnessed by National Youth Councils, Youth Civil Society Organizations and the young people at large. The Pan African Youth Union in partnership with ICESCO to scale-up existing leadership training programs on peace and open up opportunities for young people to participate in building resilient and safer communities.

The partnership will highlight capacity building and amplifying the advocacy on youth mainstreaming, economic empowerment through creative arts and culture.

The PYU under this partnership shall also explore efficient mechanisms for peace processes anchored on meaningful socio-cultural practices, including psychosocial support to youth across the spectrum.

## **ENGAGEMENT WITH UNITED CITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AUTHORITY(UCLG-AFRICA), APRIL 20**

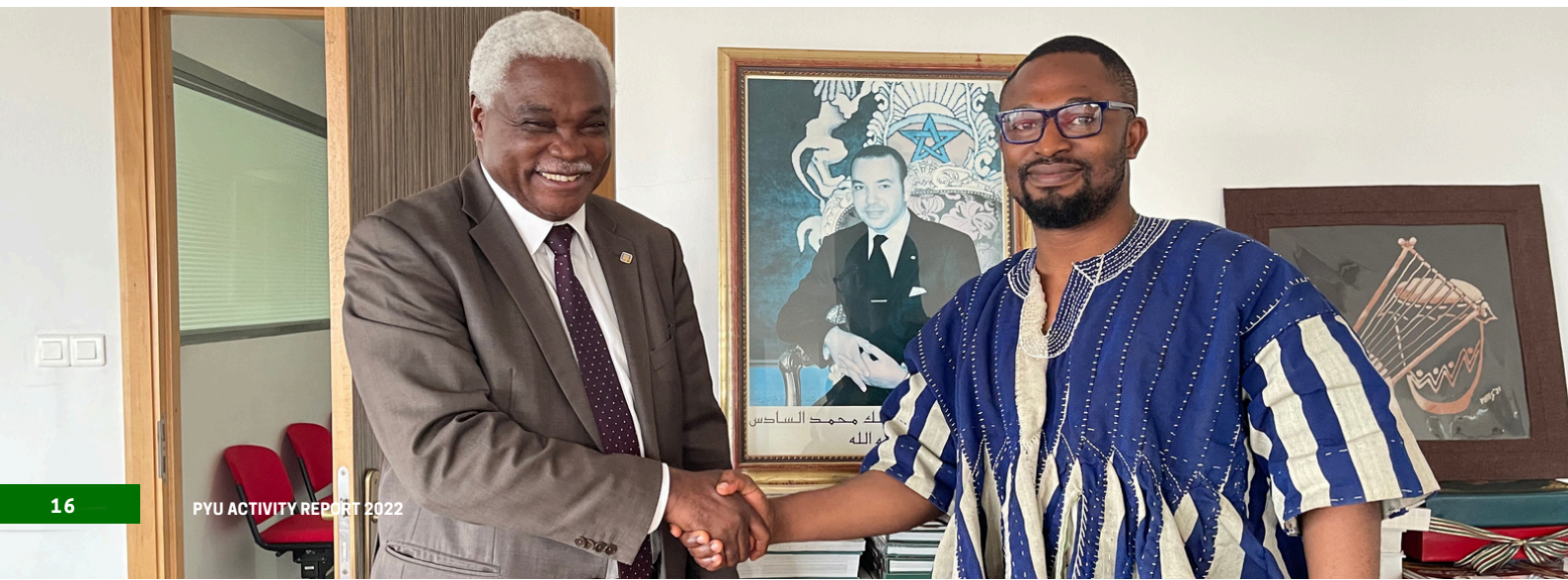
As part of PYU stakeholder engagements with key development partners,, the Secretary-General of PYU engaged the Secretary-General of UCLGA, H.E Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi in Rabat.

Matters of cooperation and mutual interest between the Pan African Youth Union (PYU) and the UCLGA remained the key discussion points. The two organizations also shared effective strategies to collaborate towards the ninth Edition of the Africities in Kisumu from the 17th to 21st of May 2022.

The PYU agreed to collaborate with UCLGA towards a youth session at Africities 2022.

It was agreed that, PYU would lead the conversation around youth participation in local governance and harnessing efficiency, good governance, transparency and accountability at the grassroots.

The summit brings together local government authorities across Africa to discuss pertinent issues of sustainable development. Young people particularly have a role to play within the local governance and decentralized authorities within our states.



## **PAN AFRICAN WOMEN ORGANIZATION AND PAN AFRICAN YOUTH UNION TO COLLABORATE IN ENSURING THE DRIVE TOWARDS PAN AFRICANISM, MAY 22**

The Secretary-General of the Pan African Women Organization (PAWO), Hon. Grace Kabayo who also doubles as the Senior Presidential Advisor on Special Duties to President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni received the Secretary-General of PYU on an institution to institution session in Entebbe.

The Secretary-General commended the Republic of Uganda as part of actions to mobilize and reinforce the continental drive towards Pan Africanism.

Both the Pan African Youth Union (PYU) and the Pan African Women Organization (PAWO) were established in 1962 as foundation institutions for the decolonization process before the formation of OAU in 1963.

The Secretary-General in his concluding remarks said that his commitment to youth engagement and Regional Integration remains resolute.

## **PAN AFRICAN YOUTH UNION MEETING WITH PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA, H.E YOWERI KAGUTA MUSEVENI IN ENTEBBE, MAY 28**

The leadership of the Pan African Youth Union met with His Excellency Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda and Patron of the Global Pan African Movement at the state house in Entebbe.

The delegation engaged His Excellency the President on the affairs of the Pan African Youth Union and requested political support towards the work of the Union.

President Museveni committed to facilitate the establishment of the Eastern African secretariat in Uganda and the Office of the Vice President for East Africa currently held by Uganda. The President will host and support the East Africa Regional Coordinating office of the Pan African Youth Union. In addition, he promised to convene and fund a summit of African statutory Youth Leaders and stakeholders under the auspices of the PYU in the Republic of Uganda in 2023.

The Pan African Youth Union expressed appreciation to His Excellency the President of the Republic of Uganda for his commitment to Pan Africanism, African Integration and regional cooperation.

The PYU congratulated the Chairperson of the National Youth Council of Uganda, Mr. Jacob Eyeru, the PYU Vice President for Eastern Africa Ms. Mutesi Oliver and the Senior Presidential Advisor on Youth to His Excellency the President for their unyielding commitment to youth development and youth mainstreaming on the continent.





## SECRETARY-GENERAL ENGAGEMENT WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF THE ETHIOPIAN YOUTH FEDERATION IN ADDIS ABABA, MAY 31

To fairly assess the state of youth organizations, the Secretary-General engaged the leadership of the Ethiopian Youth Federation in Addis Ababa. They discussed matters of cooperation and strengthening the working relationship between the Union and member organizations.

The Ethiopian Youth Federation is a member of the Pan African Youth Union, with over 8.5million members and seventy-seven thousand (77,000) youth organizations across the Ethiopian Federation.

The PYU acknowledges the commitment and goodwill from the Ethiopian Youth to actively engage the PYU and participate in activities.



JUNE

## MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA TO THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO, JUNE 6TH

The Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union paid a courtesy call on the Ambassador of the Republic of Ghana to the Kingdom of Morocco in Rabat.

He briefed the Ambassador on the state of the PYU Secretariat in Rabat and progress of work so far. H.E. Effah Broni reaffirmed the commitment of the Republic of Ghana to support the Pan African Youth Union. The Republic of Ghana is the Secretary-General in Office for the Pan African Youth Union.



## **SECRETARY-GENERAL ENGAGEMENT YOUNG LEADERS FROM NORTH AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST, JUNE 10TH**

The Secretary-General held an interactive session with a cross session of youth leaders from North African and Middle East at the ESSEC Business School in Rabat.

The session was under the auspices of the 2063 Academy. The interactive session revealed the diverse perspectives of young people on African Union agenda 2063, climate change and governance.

The Pan African Youth Union will continue to engage young people on all major African Union continental frameworks, unpack these policy mechanisms and insist on accountability.



## **VICE PRESIDENT FOR WEST AFRICA PAYS COURTESY CALL ON SECRETARY-GENERAL, JUNE 15TH**

The Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union received Vice President for West Africa Mr. Oladele John Nihi at the Pan African Youth Union today.

Mr. Oladele joined the team at the secretariat for a working and planning session as the Union rolls out activities for the West African Youths.



## 1ST ANNUAL CONSULTATIVE DIALOGUE- 20-24 JULY, 2022

The 1st Annual Consultative Dialogue for African Youth Leaders took place in Rabat Morocco from 20-24 July 2022. The dialogue brought together African Key stakeholders and decision-makers within the youth development ecosystem to deliberate with Ministers of Youth, leaders of National Youth Councils and its equivalent structures, Directors of Youth, Regional organizations, and Youth led civil society organizations across Africa to consolidate the common ground for experience sharing and discussions to reflect the aspirations of youth. The Consultative Dialogue provided a conducive climate for the evaluation of challenges, expectations, and an opportunity to map out a clear vision and roadmap to achieve a resilient, inclusive and solution driven approach to the findings outlined by member states. 49 member states took part with the following key stakeholders:







## **MINISTERS AND DIGNITARIES IN ATTENDANCE**

- Hon. Mehdi Bensaid - Minister of Youth, Culture and Communication, Kingdom of Morocco
- Hon. Younes Sekkouri- Minister of Economic Inclusion and Small Enterprise, Kingdom of Morocco
- Hon. Alzuni Fatalla, Minister of Youth for State of Libya
- Hon. Tumiso McDonald Rkgare, Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sport and Culture Development, Republic of Botswana
- Hon. Mohammed Bangura, Minister of Youth Affairs, Republic of Sierra Leone
- Hon. Tahiana Juliana Rotovoson, Deputy Minister of Youth and Sports, Republic of Madagascar
- Hon. Eric Simiyu Wafukho, Deputy Minister of National Treasury and Planning, Republic of Kenya
- Hon. Raymond Ochieng, Secretary for Youth Affairs Ministry of ICT Innovation & Youth Affairs, Republic of Kenya
- H.E Nardos Bekel-Thomas – Chief Executive Officer, AUDA-NEPAD

## **AFRICAN UNION ORGANS AND UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES**

- African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM)
- African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)
- Economic, Social & Cultural Council (ECOSOC)
- World Health Organisation (WHO)







## **PYU SECRETARIAT RECEIVED THE BOTSWANA NATIONAL SPORTS COMMISSION (BNSC) VICE CHAIRPERSON JULY 5TH**

The Deputy Permanent Secretary for Policy Development and Research of the Republic of Botswana, Mr. Moreetsi Bogosi and the Botswana National Sports Commission (BNSC) Vice Chairperson, Ms. Tebogo Lebotse-Sebego paid a courtesy call on the Secretary-General at the Pan African Youth Union Secretariat in Rabat.

Among the many other issues deliberated on included support to the PYU and an outline of the year's activities. The Pan African Youth Union leader said the Union would not renege on its commitment to stakeholder engagement and inclusive approach towards youth development.

He also brought to light the Union's stance on scaling-up the conversation around youth mainstreaming from a multi sectorial and holistic dimension.



## **SECRETARY-GENERAL HOSTS MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT FROM GHANA, JULY 30TH**

Hon. Mohammed Adams Sukparu, Member of Parliament for Sissala West Constituency, Ghana visited the Pan African Youth Union secretariat in Rabat yesterday.

In the discussion, the Secretary-General admitted the multiplicity of challenges affecting the youth in northern Ghana and the African youth in general and thus the need for a concerted effort at all levels of policy decision-making (process) to ensure the extermination of these challenges.

The dialogue also revolved on practical ways of empowering the youth in the economic sense by setting the stage to get the youth to develop an entrepreneurial mindset in agriculture and information technology and its attendant benefits.

## SECRETARY-GENERAL JOINS GHANA TO MARK INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY, AUGUST 13

The Secretary-General was privileged to join the Minister for Youth and Sports and the leadership of the National Youth Authority of Ghana to celebrate the International Youth Day 2022 at Mampong Akwapim in the Eastern Region of Ghana.

The President of the Republic of Ghana H.E Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, the chief guest, used IYD2022 to launch the Reviewed National Youth Policy of Ghana.

The Secretary-General congratulated the President of Ghana, H.E Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo for a well-deserved “STAR OF THE YOUTH AWARD” conferred on him by the National Youth Authority.

The Secretary-General further congratulated the Honorable Minister for Youth and Sports, Hon. Mustapha Ussif, the CEO of the Ghana National Youth Authority, Mr. Pius Enam Hadzide, and the entire governing board of the Authority for leading the successful review of the Ghana National Youth Policy in accordance with the African Youth Charter and the launching of the Annual Youth Conference.





## **ENGAGEMENT WITH DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE IN AFRICA, AUGUST 27TH**

To build formidable partnerships with multilateral organizations, the Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union along with Deputy Secretary-General Roy Sasaka met the Director-General of the United Nations office in Africa, H.E. Madam Hawa Bangura in Nairobi, Kenya.

The meeting was a courtesy call on the Director-General and to brief Her Excellency on the work of the Pan African Youth Union, the reform Agenda and the new headquarters in Rabat.

Constructive discussions were held on ways to ensure inclusion of the African youth within the UN processes and programming. The Director General of UN in Africa was passionate about youth development and inclusion.

The Secretary-General was in Nairobi as part of efforts to rally youth organizations around the renewal agenda as he addressed the 18th Africa Scout Conference.

## **SECRETARY-GENERAL REPRESENTS PYU AT 18TH AFRICA SCOUT CONFERENCE IN NAIROBI KENYA, AUGUST 27TH**

The Secretary-General honored the invitation to join the leadership of Africa Scout Committee to open the 18th Africa Scout Conference in Nairobi Kenya.

The conference ushered in a new leadership to serve Africa Scout over the next three years. Scout has provided leadership and social change as one of the big six families, building the capacity of young people across the world. The Secretary-General congratulated leadership for their dedication over the past six years.



## AFRICA CLIMATE WEEK 2022

The Africa Climate Week 2022 was hosted in Gabon from August 29-02 September 2022. It aimed at addressing social injustices and investing in development that is beneficial to both people and the environment, including the transition to a low-emission economy and resilience against climate risks, as well as youth and gender issues.

The event has brought together key stakeholders to take the pulse of climate action in the region, explore climate challenges and opportunities and showcase ambitious solutions.

PYU hosted a side event on the 2nd September 2022 alongside the Africa Climate Week with the objectives to:

- Explore and engage with key host partners of the Africa Climate Week 22
- Participate in key sessions of interest to the youth and beyond
- Gather sub-regional and regional insights from the convenings
- Connect and network with potential individuals, institutions, organizations and governments
- Galvanize youths to commit to climate actions and action-plan.

**The side event attracted 81 physical attendants composed of youth participants, 6 national and regional youth networks representation and UNECA. Connected and networked with over 40 institutions and over 300 individuals.**

## SUCCESSSES IN NUMBERS

**FOUR ACTION COMMITMENTS:**

Capacity building for Youth, Engagement in Government Processes, NDCs action (Nationally Determined Contributions), Document Impact Actions by young people across Africa.

**HOST PARTNERS ENGAGED:**

Government of Gabon, Africa Development Bank, The World Bank, UN Economic Commission for Africa, United Nations Gabon, African Union, UN Climate Change, UN Environmental Program.

**SESSIONS ENGAGED:**

Over 40 side events, over 20 B2Bs (Governments, Private Sector, Youth Networks, Development Partners, Activists).

**KEY THEMATIC INSIGHTS (POLICY + INTERVENTIONS):**

Carbon markets, Nature based solutions, Youth inclusion, Blended Climate Financing, Gender sensitive climate actions, Private-Public Partnerships for Climate Actions, Circular Economy, Energy Transition, COP27.

## **SECRETARY-GENERAL VISIT NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL OF CÔTÉ D'IVOIRE IN ABIDJAN SEPTEMBER 8TH**

As part of conscious efforts to cement the relationship between the Pan African Youth Union and its National Youth bodies, the Secretary-General paid a working visit to the National Youth Council of Côte D'Ivoire in Abidjan headed by its President Ibrahima Diabaté.

Deliberations held pivoted on the importance of stronger and resilient National Youth Councils in member states thus the need for member states to fast track the operationalization of the African Youth Charter especially Article 12 of the Charter. The Secretary-General applauded the strong cooperation and solidarity from the CNJ Côte D'Ivoire towards building a truly resilient Pan African Youth Union.



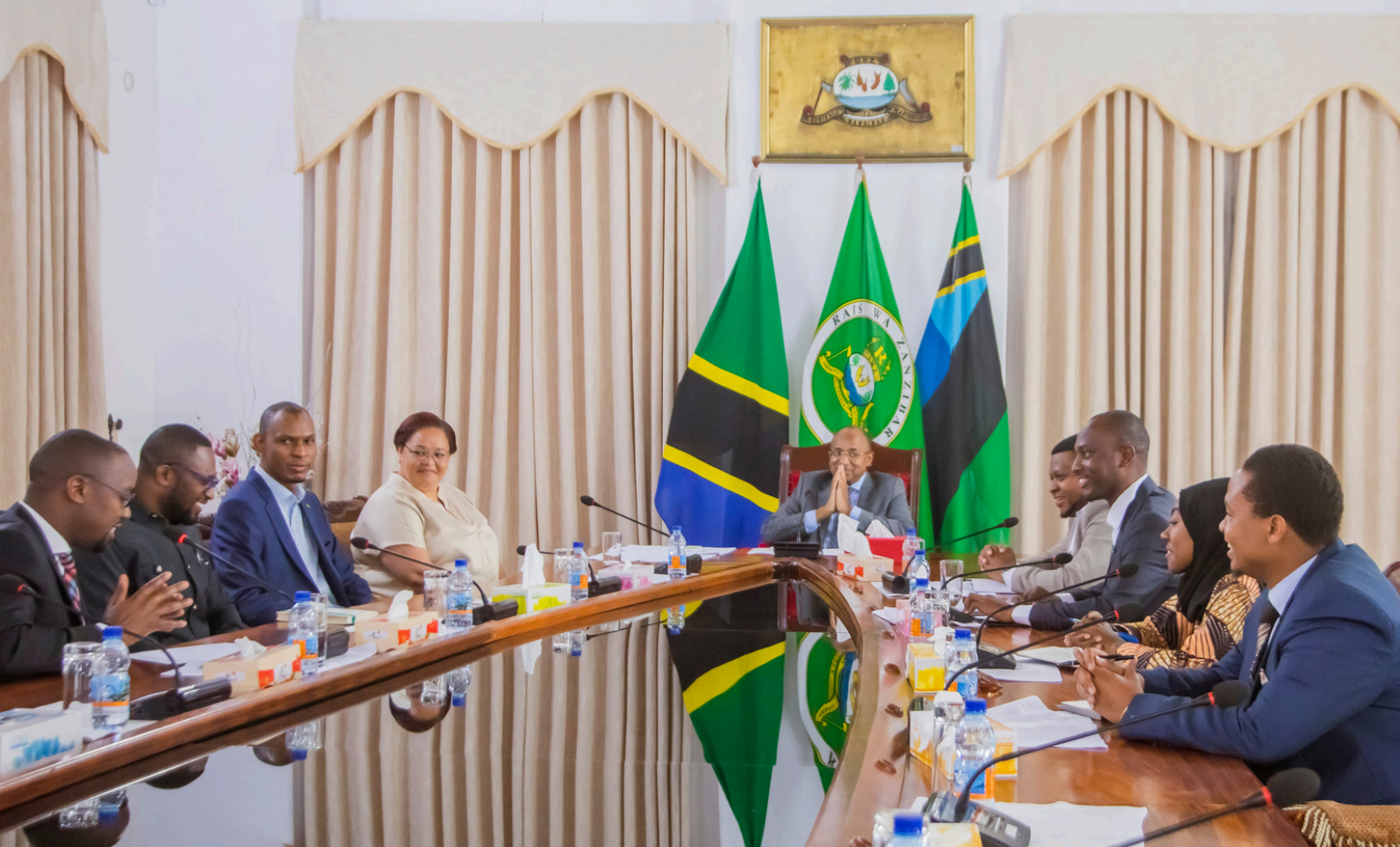
## **A VISIT TO THE CHIEF SECRETARY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ZANZIBAR, SEPTEMBER 4**

The first day visit of the leadership of the Pan African Youth Union had the team engage the Chief Secretary of the government of Zanzibar, Madam Zena Ahmed Said at the State House in Zanzibar.

Led by the Secretary-General, the discussion revolved around the hosting of the Pan African Youth Forum in Zanzibar.

The Pan African Youth Union remains thankful to the government and people of Zanzibar for graciously hosting the team and their continued commitment to youth development on the continent.





## **PRESIDENT OF ZANZIBAR HOSTS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE PAN AFRICAN YOUTH UNION, SEPTEMBER 24TH**

Members of the executive committee of the Pan African Youth Union headed by the Secretary-General met the President of Zanzibar, His Excellency Dr. Hussein Mwinyi at the State House.

The leadership of the Union requested the official support of His Excellency the President of Zanzibar to host the upcoming Pan African Youth Forum.

His Excellency the President accepted the patronage of this milestone youth engagement and further committed the support, partnership and hosting of the forum in Zanzibar. This forum will bring together youth leaders and actors within the youth development sphere from all African states and the Diaspora to discuss the future of Africa.

## **PYU DELEGATION MEETS WITH ZANZIBAR YOUTH TO REINFORCE EFFECTIVE YOUTH MAINSTREAMING AND COORDINATION, SEPTEMBER 26TH**

In ensuring an effective bottom-up approach in gathering data for workable policies, A delegation of the Pan African Youth Union engaged a cross-section of youth and the National Youth Council of Zanzibar.

The youth were pleased to interact in candor challenges regarding the current state of the youth in Zanzibar and Africa at large. They equally offered laudable solutions to mitigate these challenges. The Secretary-General reiterated to the youth the significance of building synergies within the youth development ecosystem. He stressed that the Pan African Youth Union will continue to support other young people and scale up advocacy to reinforce effective youth mainstreaming at all levels of development.

## **PYU DELEGATION VISITS PERMANENT SECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, SEPTEMBER 27TH**

Sequel to the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco to Tanzania's visit, the delegation proceeded to have a constructive discussion with the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Republic of Tanzania in Dar es Salam.

To ensure all relevant stakeholders had a bird eye view of the upcoming Forum the Secretary-General briefed the Permanent Secretary of the upcoming Pan African Youth Forum to take place in Zanzibar and possible collaborations to make it a success.

He further briefed the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the status of the Union and the need for member states to continue to hold up the PYU.

The Secretary-General on behalf of the delegation pledged consistency and continuity in rallying all pertinent actors to create opportunities for the youth of Africa.



## **SECRETARY-GENERAL LEADS DELEGATION TO ENGAGE PRESIDENT AND KEY POLITICAL ACTORS IN TANZANIA, SEPTEMBER 27TH**

As part of a 5-day visit to the United Republic of Tanzania, the Pan African Youth Union delegation led by the Secretary-General visited the Ambassador of Morocco to Tanzania.

Key amongst the issues discussed was the upcoming Pan African Youth Forum to take place in Zanzibar and solicited his partnership and support for this important youth activity.

The Pan African Youth Union conveys its utmost appreciation to the Kingdom of Morocco for their unyielding commitment and support to the Renewal Agenda of the Pan African Youth Union.



## THE WEST AFRICA YOUTH SECURITY SUMMIT, OCTOBER 3RD

The Secretary-General joined the Vice President and Regional Coordinator for West Africa to convene the West Africa Youth Security Summit in Abuja.

The event was convened with support from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

This important summit was under the auspices of the Pan African Youth Union (PYU) West Africa Regional office in alliance with the National Youth Council of Nigeria. It provided a suitable platform that birthed pragmatic homegrown solutions from a myriad of youth leaders for policy formations to safeguard the overall security of the region.

The Executive Committee of the PYU, congratulates the government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, the National Youth Council of Nigeria and the PYU team led by Vice President Mr. Oladele John Nihi for the constructive action undertaken to reinforce the youth ecosystem in West Africa.

## MEETING WITH MINISTER FOR YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, OCTOBER 5TH

Together with leaders of National Youth Councils and CSOs in West Africa, The Secretary-General led a delegation to engage the Minister for Youth and Sports Development of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in Abuja.

The Secretary-General commended the Minister and Government of Nigeria for successfully hosting the West African Youth Security Summit and for the continued support of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the Pan African Youth Union. The discussions of the meeting delved into the security situation within the West Africa sub-region and the recurrence of unconstitutional changes.

The Minister reaffirmed the government's commitment to support the work of the Pan African Youth Union and reassured the delegation of the Government's obligation to democracy and stability within the region.



## **PYU REGIONAL SECRETARIAT ALLOCATION IN ABUJA, OCTOBER 6TH**

The Secretary-General led a delegation of West African Youth leaders to express gratitude to the Permanent Secretary and Minister for the Federal Capital Territory Administration in Abuja for allocating a regional office space.

The Federal Capital Territory on behalf of the government of Nigeria allocated offices to the PYU West Africa Coordinating Office in Abuja.



## **PYU COLLABORATION WITH YOUTH HUB AFRICA, OCTOBER 8TH**

To ensure efforts towards the consolidation of Institutional capacity as well as forming relevant partnerships, the Pan African Youth Union and Youth Hub Africa signed a pact, which will open a new chapter of cooperation to build and enhance the capacity of our National Youth Councils across the continent.

This collaboration gears at guaranteeing an effective communication mechanism of the Pan African Youth Union, thus providing relevant updates on the Union's activities to the discerning youth of Africa.

Youth Hub Africa headed by its Executive Director of Youth Hub Africa Mr. Rotimi Olawale is one of the many organizations contributing meaningful to youth empowerment across Africa.





## **PYU SIDE-EVENT ON THE MARGINS OF YOUTH CONNEKT-KIGALI, RWANDA**

The Secretariat organized a youth side-event on the margin of Youth Connekt Africa in Kigali, bring together National Youth Councils, Regional Platforms and other youth stakeholders to discuss the revitalization and harmonization of the youth development ecosystem in Africa. The event was also to stock take the progress of work towards the renewal agenda of the PYU and solicit critical feedback from stakeholders.

## **LEADERSHIP OF ALL AFRICA STUDENTS UNION AND NILE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ACTION COURTESY CALL ON PAN AFRICAN YOUTH UNION SECRETARIAT, NOVEMBER 26TH**

The Secretary-General Mr. Wiisichong Bening Ahmed received Mr. Yohannes J. Magok Junior, Executive Director of the Nile Youth Development Actions and Mr. Peter Kwasi Kodjie, Secretary-General of the All-Africa Students Union at the Pan African Youth Union headquarters in Rabat.

Discussions centered on practical steps to strengthen the Youth development ecosystem as well collaborative mechanisms to guarantee resilience in Africa.

## **PAN AFRICAN YOUTH UNION AND OBSERVATOIRE MAROCAIN DE LA JEUNESSE TO COLLABORATE, DECEMBER 15TH**

The Secretary-General received the team at the Observatoire Marocain de la Jeunesse (OMJ) at the Pan African Youth Union Secretariat in Rabat.

The two institutions discussed areas of cooperation and the importance of Afrocentric data on youth. In accordance with the PYU renewal agenda, the Africa Youth Observatory along with thematic working groups will be launched in the first quarter of 2023 as knowledge platforms to add impetus to our advocacy work and serve as a referral guide for policy framework.

These platforms will open new opportunities to many youth leaders and actors to plug onto the PYU platform at different levels and find expression within the African Youth Development Ecosystem.







### **PYU SUPPORT GAMBIAN NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL TOWARDS NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE 2022 IN BANJUL, DECEMBER 19TH**

The Secretary-General was in Banjul to join the leadership of the Gambian National Youth Council as they mark the bi-annual National Youth Conference and Festival (NAYCONF 2022). This year's event convened 2000 young people from across the 7 regions of Gambia under the theme "The Role of Young People in the Maintenance of Peace and Security for the Socio-Economic development of the Country"

Whilst in Banjul, the Secretary-General of the Pan African Youth Union also interacted with the Hon. Minister for Youth and Sports and the Chairman of the National Youth Council of the Republic of The Gambia.

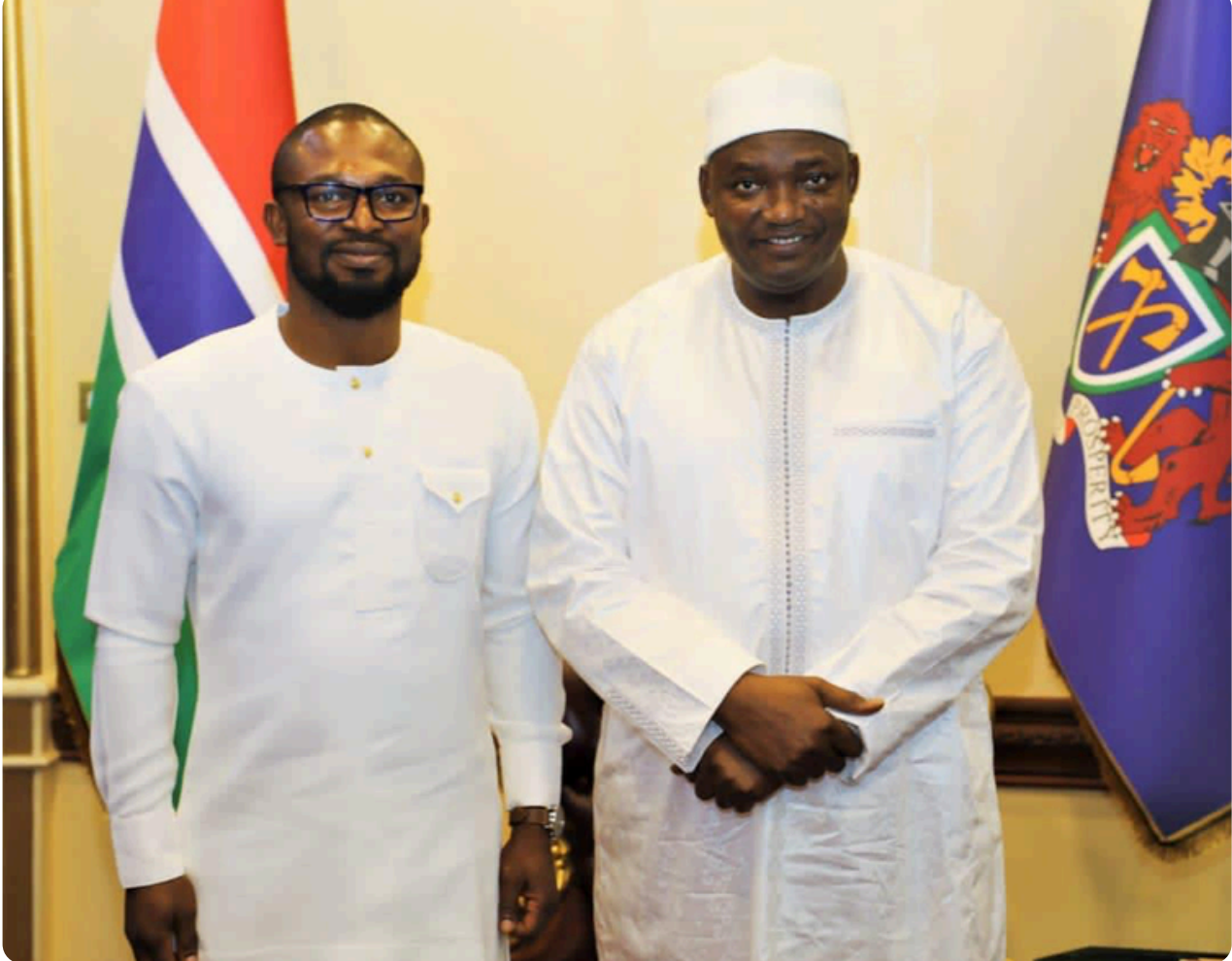
The conversation centered on maximizing continued political support to the Pan African Youth Union as the Secretary-General expressed gratitude for the unyielding commitment and support from Hon. Minister Bakary Badjie and the Gambian National Youth Council.

The Secretary-General remains keen on being abreast of issues confronting the African youth and will not default on his commitment in mapping out youth organization and development partners on the continent to advocate, fashion out, review and implement policies for the betterment of the teeming youth of Africa.

### **SECRETARY-GENERAL COURTESY VISIT TO H.E ADAMA BARROW, PRESIDENT OF THE GAMBIA, DECEMBER 19TH**

To give impetus to the Union by courting political support from Political leaders of member states, the Secretary-General paid a courtesy visit to the President of the Republic of The Gambia, H.E Adama Barrow at the State House in Banjul.

The delegation was led by the Minister for Youth and Sports, Hon. Bakary Badjie along with the Chairman of National Youth Council, the Executive Director of National Youth Council and Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Youth and Sports.



Briefing His Excellency the President on the work of the Pan African Youth Union, the Secretary-General highlighted the role the Republic of The Gambia played over the years especially towards the African Youth Charter and it's evaluation in Banjul +10. It is pertinent to note that the African Union Decision EX.CL.Dec292 of 2006 which endorsed the revitalization of the Pan African Youth Union and the adoption of the African Youth Charter are products of The Gambia's commitment to the African Integration Process and reinforcing the position of youth developmentally.

His Excellency President Barrow reassured the delegation of his continued support towards building a resilient and progressive youth ecosystem.





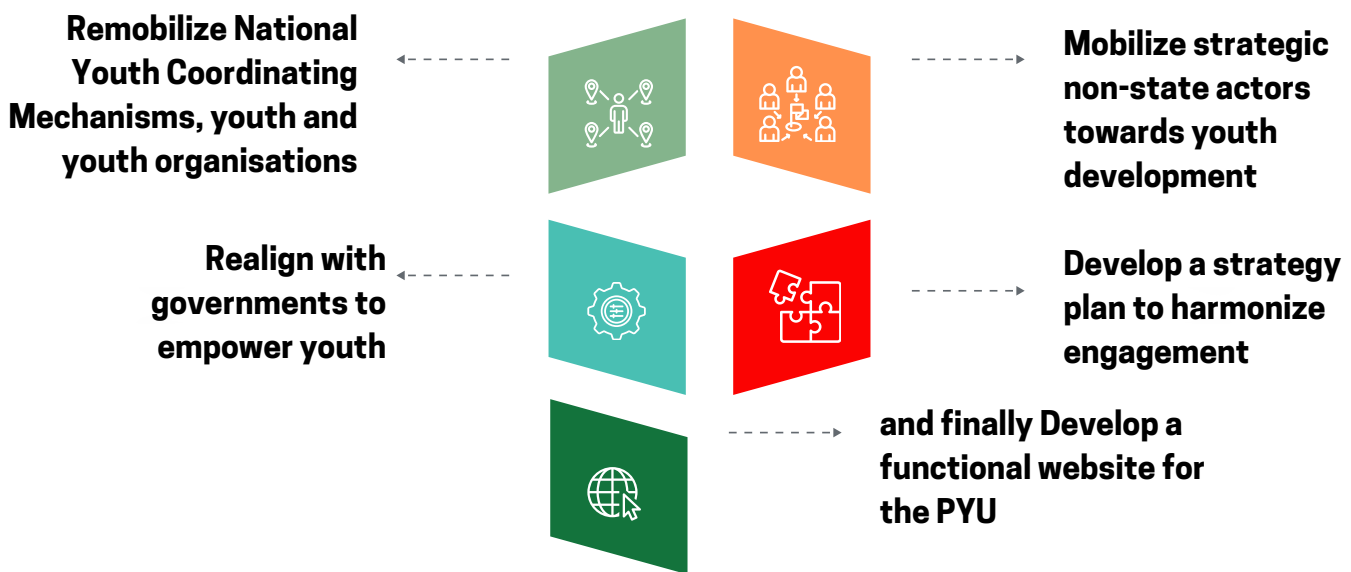
## CONCLUSION

The year ended 2022 was highly productive and constructive, with major targets and set objectives achieved.

The strategic objectives set by the union for 2022 was to:



## THE KEY TARGETS TO:



## These set objectives and targets were largely achieved.

The PYU in 2022 strived to reinforced the position of the union as the foremost youth structure on the continent.

Regained the confidence of youth organisations and member states as a capable coordinating platform.

The Union further consolidated its convening power and gave impetus to its traditional role to mobilize and coordinate the African Youth Development Ecosystem and the National Youth Coordinating Mechanisms across member states and the Diaspora.





**PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION**

**ACTIVITY**

**REPORT 2022**



**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL  
PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION  
Email : [osg@panafricanyouthunion.org](mailto:osg@panafricanyouthunion.org)  
Tel : +212 764276862**

**ADDRESS:  
RUE AMIR ABDELKADER 5, 10080 AGDAL  
RIYAD RABAT, MOROCCO**



Scan here to visit  
PVU website



**PAN-AFRICAN YOUTH UNION  
60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
1962 - 2022**

Renaissance • Resilience • Consolidating Our Gains



*ACTIVATING THE RENEWAL AGENDA: MOBILIZING AND  
CATALYZING TOWARDS A RE-ENGINEERED FUTURE*