



Believes in Leadership

A-WOW World Summit Prelude
Curridabat, San José, Costa Rica

A Future Without Poverty World Summit
CATIE Campus, Turrialba, Costa Rica



In Partnership With
A Future Without Poverty, MIST, CATIE,
A-WOW Global Initiative Costa Rica

September 30 - October 7, 2017



2017
INTERNATIONAL YEAR
OF SUSTAINABLE TOURISM
FOR DEVELOPMENT

WELCOME TO THE 2017 A-WOW LEADERSHIP PRE-CONFERENCE FOR YOUNG WOMEN

WORLD LEADERS, EXPERTS, BUSINESSWOMEN AND BUSINESSMEN, FROM PRIVATE SECTOR, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND RELATIVE ORGANIZATIONS ARE SET TO ATTEND SPEAK AND FACILITATE THIS INFORMATIVE AND MOMENTOUS OCCASION.

AWOW BRINGS WORLD LEADERS, INNOVATIVE THINKERS AND GLOBAL GAME-CHANGERS TO CURRIDABATE TO EXPERIENCE EXCITING TEAM-BUILDING, DISCUSSIONS, KNOWLEDGE SHARING, NETWORKING AND FUN !!



Overview

Some of AWOW's leading global young women and innovators will fly in to Curridabat for this prestigious event organised by AWOW International Girls Leadership Initiative, with support from Southwest Airlines, Future Without Poverty, CATIE University, MIST, Rotary Club of Curridabat and more!



Inspire and Empower

The Summit is about leadership and inspiring change, but at its core it is meant to inspire and empower young women and girls across the world to engage in purposeful career development and take on leadership for important causes, to lead change with more conviction and confidence, and improve communities and the world for all.



Involvement

Participant's involvement in the summit activities is essential to help them learn various leadership concepts and develop the necessary skills to implement them. By attending this summit they will be introduced to some intriguing ideas. Participants who participate in the activities and fully engage themselves in each exercise will convert those exercises into relevant experiences that will impact and enhance their lives forever!



Opportunities

A-WOW develops emerging leaders, ages 16-24 years old, from various countries as Ghana, Costa Rica, Liberia, Trinidad and Tobago, India, Nigeria and the United States. A-WOW programs are designed to introduce concepts and tools that can be easily incorporated into any leadership role in any organization or community. Its programs focus on the key skills and behaviors that contribute to the success of today's leaders.

PRELUDE TO FWOP 2017 SUMMIT: Agenda

Saturday | September 30th | Arrival and Check in

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Sunday | October 1st | Connecting Cultures Globally | San Jose Tours and Excursions

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Monday | October 2nd | Visit TIRRASES an Urban Developing Community

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Tuesday | October 3rd | Young Women Impact and Influences | Creating Economic Development

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Our Mission

To assist young women in assuming active roles in their community by fostering education and leadership development through training, innovative learning opportunities and facilitating a cross-cultural exchange of ideas through bolstering international relations and advocating the eradication of female inequalities.

Our Vision

To transform the lives of young women, their communities, and establish an enduring legacy for female leadership and the expansion and service of female organizations and businesses to create a global forum for an exchange of information through education, cultural and leadership.

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07:00–21:00

Registration | Welcome & Preconference Preview | Mix & Mingle | Group pictures | Hotel Hyatt Place | San Jose Pinares – Curridabat (3 nights-stay) | Location: in Momentun Mall with stores and restaurants

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07:00–08:00

Breakfast

09:00–09:30

Depart

09:30–15:30

Visit San Jose the capital | Gold Museum | National Theatre | Jade Museum

12:30–14:00

Lunch | "Sapore" Italian Restaurant (across the Jade Museum)

15:30–16:00

Return to Curridabat | Relax & prepare for evening

18:00–22:00

Visit to Hacienda LaLaguna orchid garden | Sunset with hors d'oeuvres and dinner with beautiful music hosted by Ileana de Teran

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Asset-Based Community Development works from the principle that every person has capacities, abilities and gifts and that the quality of an individual life depends in part on the extent to which these capacities are used, abilities expressed and gifts given. Recognizing the assets of individuals and communities is more likely to inspire positive action for change from within than an exclusive focus on needs and problems.

ABCD focuses on what is present in a community rather than what is absent and requires us to look afresh at marginalized communities and see opportunities rather than problems.

This section highlights "How can teens and young women seen in the community positively impact the community?"

07:00–08:30

Breakfast. Depart - A Tirrases: La Cometa Human Development Center. Session - Opportunities & Impact (Explore the opportunities?)

09:00–11:30

At New La Cometa Human Development Center. Welcome speech: Edgar Mora Curridabat's Major. Session – Opportunities and Impact | Explore the opportunities- By TBD | Exhibit of different objects manufactured by the community young entrepreneurs (Coffee break prepared by the cooking students) | Closing by Vice President Ana Helena Chacón

12:00–

Visit to the Academic, Technical and Professional High School Uladislao Gamez Commemorative tree planting | (all AWOW visitors will plant a tree with the students) | AWOW's Social Responsibility Education and Conservation Project.

13:00–14:30

Lunch prepared by La Cometa cooking students

14:30–17:30

Visit the High School campus, discussion about New Projects

17:30–until

Return to the hotel – Dinner [19:00 - 20:00] free night at Momentun...

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This session aims to inspire and empower young women across the world to engage in purposeful career development and take on leadership for important causes---to lead change with more conviction and confidence---and improve their lives, families, and communities.

The session will help participants increase self-knowledge about their values and vision, as well as enhance their capabilities as a leader and team player.

The session aims at answering questions such as: How does the gendered nature of organizations impact women? What derails our career advancement and what propels us upward? What are your leadership goals and aspirations? How do you define career success? What can organizations do to provide women with opportunities to excel? What opportunities could our global economy harness by advancing women to leadership?

- 07:00–08:15** Breakfast | Check out from Hyatt | Depart - Career Planning | Visit Young Women Entrepreneurs
- 09:00–10:00** Session: "Solo Rosas" a beautiful rose farm
- 10:30–11:30** Session: Fig Farm and Industry (fig marmalades, sweets).
- 12:00–13:00** Session: A Cheese Factory
- 13:30–14:30** Lunch at a Typical Restaurant EL SAPO DORADO
- Visit Carlos Garcia an Orchidologist (an incredible green house, with lots of beautiful orchids).
- 14:30–17:00** 30 minutes panoramic ride to **GUAYABO LODGE Santa Cruz Costa Rica** on the active Turrialba Volcano
Beautiful panoramic views of the Turrialba valley with sugar cane plantations
- 17:30–20:30** Dinner at the Lodge restaurant | Arriving at CATIE

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Wednesday | October 4th | Promote Development- Sustainable Communities

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Thursday | October 5th | Implementing Sustainable Solutions

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Friday | October 6th | Collaborating with Community, Organizations, and Institutions

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Saturday | October 7th | Travel to Limon' - After Conference Trips |

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FWOP Vision

... We are committed to working with the unique needs of each community, supporting that community as it grows in all areas of sustainability: Education, Enterprise, Environment and Empowerment.

CATIE Vision

To be an excellent international land-grant type of university specialized in agriculture and natural resources that effectively integrates education, research and outreach in alliance with multiple partners and countries through a solid regional scientific platform.

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Wednesday | October 4th | Promote Development- Sustainable Communities

- 07:00-09:00** Registration
- 09:00-09:30** **Opening Ceremony** | Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim, General Director CATIE | Dr. Sylvester Flores, Founder, and President of Future Without Poverty(FWOP) |Dr. Eliécer Vargas, MIST Co-Director
- 09:30-10:00** **Keynote Addresses:** Dr Todd Spinks, Advisor, Sustainability & Citizenship, Southwest Airlines. (Followed by 30 minutes break)
- 10:30-10:50** **Session 1: Enterprise Development, Poverty, and Empowerment** | Eduardo Villafranca, President of Reinventing Business for All (RBA)| Case: Hotel Punta Islita
- Our Actions Matter** (7- 10 minutes per partner) | Sylvester Flores, FWOP President | Gourmet Tortilla Factory, Ripley Ohio, | Kendall Brune, Ex Board FWOP / Development Director – Business and NGO partnerships, St Louis/Nashville | Carolyn Wright, CEO - AWOW and Rotary President-2016-17, Lewisville, Texas | ACTUAR Representative, Costa Rica | Deguesew Derese, International LLC, Dallas | Ethiopia – Focus – Southern Africa | Syeda Jesmin, UNT Dallas, Micro Loan Programs | Grameen Bank- Bangladesh | Jaime Perez, Owner, International Green Solutions, Guadalajara, Mexico
- 10:50-12:20**
- 12:20-14:00** Lunch
- 14:00-14:20** **Session 2: Environmental Promotion, Poverty, and Empowerment** | MSc Ana Baez, CCT President | Case: **Biological Corridors in Costa Rica**
- Our Actions Matter** (7-10 minutes per partner) | Daniel Villafranca, Caminos de Osa, Costa Rica | Dr. María Suarez Toro, PH.D, Centro Comunitario de Buceo: Embajadoras y Embajadores del Mar | Marianella Franklin, Sustainability Officer, UT Rio Grande Valley, Texas | Dr Arthur Lee, Community Health Advocate, Chair , ELAM Advisor Board, Nashville, Tennessee. (Followed by 20 minutes break)
- 14:20-15:40**
- 16:00-16:20** **Session 3: Education for Sustainability, Poverty, and Empowerment** | Dr. Mario Piedra, Dean Graduate School at CATIE | Case: **Graduate programs at CATIE and the UNSDG**
- Our Actions Matter (7-10 minutes per partner)** | Ishmaels Kabann, Uganda FWOP Kampala | Fernanda Ornelas, SUBIRE – K- 12 schools, Guadalajara, Mexico –International Coordination, UNT graduate | Young H. Kim and K. C. Birenda, Master of Science in International Sustainable Tourism UNT/CATIE | Ana Fore Tamayo, College Teacher, and Advocate, FWOP Board | Dr. Isabel Gutierrez, Prácticas del Desarrollo, CATIE | Brandon Morton, Sustainability Officer, North Lake College, Irving, Texas, and Sierra Club Regional Director
- 16:20-18:00**
- 18:00-21:00** CATIE's International Club

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07:30–08:00 Continental Breakfast

Session: Implementation challenges – as real as can be. Poverty reduction and implementation challenges:

Keep sharing knowledge, but this time about implementation

Experiential CASE: **Rural Tourism in Mollejones of Turrialba.**

Here, we aim to attract people interested in sharing know-how at the community level.

08:00–17:00

Mollejones: is a remote agricultural community lacking traditional tourism opportunities but have found in community-based rural tourism a way to attract a select market. Come to see how the elderly and the young are being supported by this initiative.

Experiential CASE: **Santa Cruz, the Cradle of the Turrialba Cheese.**

Here we aim to attract people interested in small-scale agriculture and livestock production. We will learn about challenges with appropriate technology, support systems, and community empowerment strategies.

18:00–19:00

Dinner

Parallel events

19:00–21:00

FWOP Board of Director Meeting

10 year of collaboration - UNT/CATIE

Network of Women for Sustainable Tourism – A-WOW

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Friday | October 6th | Collaborating with Community, Organizations, and Institutions

- 07:30-08:30** International Breakfast – prepared for all participants
CATIE Botanical Garden and Sustainability Educational House
- 08:30-09:30** **Session: Making FWOP work as a network of knowledge and support**
Dr. Eliécer Vargas and Dr. Stan Ingman, Sustainability Educational House and Poverty Reduction. (Followed by 30 minutes break)
- Our Actions Matter** – (2 hours group session) - Some initial facilitators listed below
- Group Opportunity for Sustainability Educational House (Schools, Colleges and Universities)** – Dr E. Vargas, CATIE, Dan Spears, UNT-MIST
- Group Opportunity for Costa Rica Network**- Southwest Airlines, AWOW, FWOP, CATIE – Christine, Ortega , International Senior Advisor- Community Affairs/Grassroots/SW, Carolyn Wright, CEO-AWOW, Tom Benjamin, FWOP Ex Board
- Group Opportunity for Sustainable Agriculture Cooperation** - CATIE Faculty, Faculty from USA and India
- 10:00-12:00** **Group Opportunity for Academic and Training Cooperation** - You Tube Channel-FWOP- Arthur Porter, Dallas Designing Dreams, Dr. Iftekhar Amin- Editor/UNT Dallas, Sustainable Community Review
- Group Opportunity for Community Empowerment** - Andres Pacheco, FWOP Board
- Group Opportunity for Sustainable Appropriate Technologies Cooperation** - Dr Kuruvilla Johns, Chair, Mechanical and Energy Engineering, UNT, Kevin Peach, Solar Systems, and Tom Benjamin, Ex Board, FWOP, Greg Ousley, Director, Churchill Technology and Sustainable Development Center – Fulton, Missouri
- 12:00-14:00** Lunch at the Botanical Garden
- 14:00-16:00** Our Common Future as a Network – Planning our next meetings. (Followed by 30 minutes break)
- 16:30-17:00** Impact of our conference on poverty reduction
- 17:00-19:00** Closing Ceremony – Guest speaker (TBA)

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All Day

Coordinated by Network of Women for Sustainable Tourism

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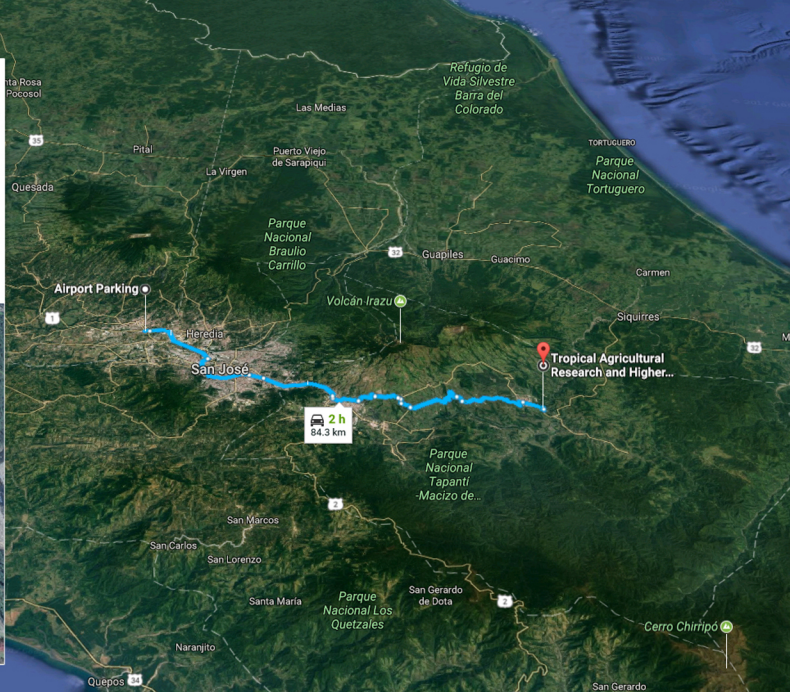


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Based on extensive research on hundreds of global leaders across a variety of industries & international cultures, the AWOW model creates a performance model providing a foundation of required skills and abilities for any developing leader who wants to leverage their strengths & positively transform their community.

"Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence and making sure that impact lasts in your absence."

Sheryl Sandberg



Contact Us

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2017 Young Women Leadership Summit & Tour Investing in Human Capital ~ Poverty Reduction

Key Dates:

September 10, 2017 – Registration Deadline
Summit eight days and seven nights.

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Eligibility:

Teens and Young Women ONLY ages, 16-25
Emerging, Advanced Youth Leaders, Young Professionals,
& individuals who desire to enhance their leadership skills.

Cost

Early Bird Special [Before 09/10]	\$ 625.00 USD
Final Price	\$ 700.00 USD

Important Registration Information:

It is the responsibility of each participant:
to find out if you need a Visa to enter Costa Rica
to arrange their own travel bookings
(such as flight, airport transportation).

Information to Costa Rica:

<http://www.costarica-embassy.org>

Financial Support

Registrants are invited to utilize Fund Raising that may help with self-funding efforts. Local organizations, associations such as the Lions or Rotary clubs, academic scholarships, even friends and family relations can also be a source of subsidy and support.

More Information: awownow.org/fwop