

Youth Involvement in Implementing SDGs

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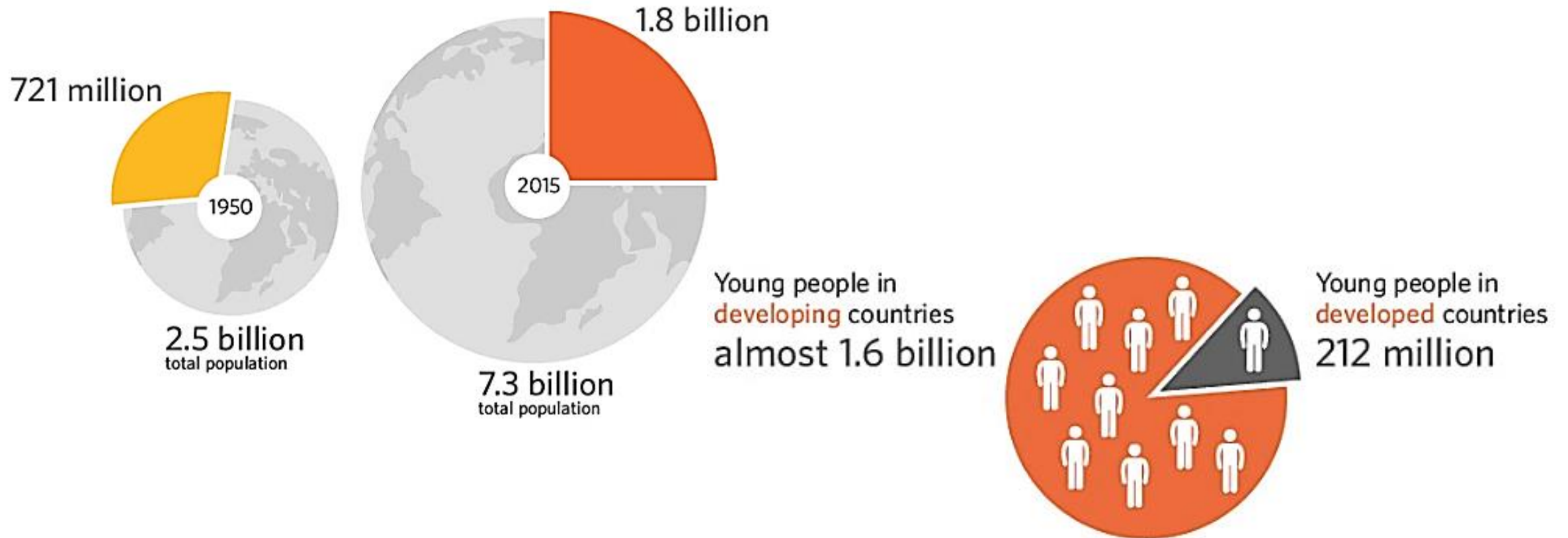
Outline

- General understanding
 - Youth population
 - Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) & role of youth
- Experience
- Lesson learned
- Ways forward



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Youth Population of the World



Source: UN DESA, 2015 estimates

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



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Photos:

http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=53429#.V_fmUOB97IU/

<http://geth.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/New-Serve-the-World-Logo.jpg>

Three Decades Story



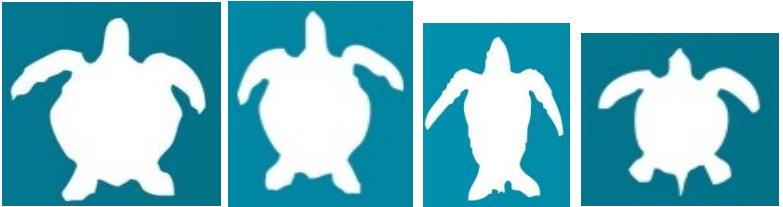
At Beach of Rantau Abang Terengganu, 3 AM, Aug 8, 1977



Pledge not to eat turtle egg – save 5000 green & 101 hawksbill eggs



Almost 100 STOP - turtle camps from 1998 – 2016 involved 3000 students mainly from local schools & universities; volunteers camp since 1998



Endangered Critically endangered Vulnerable Vulnerable

The success of this conservation work had been recognised by the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) in 2001



Released 350,000 of green & 7000 of hawksbill hatchlings in 20 years



Supports from corporate bodies and government in term of funding for research & development

Photos: <https://seatru.wordpress.com/page/2/>
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Research + Plastic + Ocean

Plastic waste inputs from land into the ocean


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Plastic waste is all at sea

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Spain Apr, 2013



Philippines Aug, 2013



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Lesson Learned

- Education empower youth to become tomorrow's leaders.
- Acknowledgement from government and supports from NGOs that actively advocating for youth empowerment are essence in succeeding environmental education programs.
- Every stakeholders within the community should be considered as an asset.

Ways Forward

- In monitoring & implementing SDGs, we have to simplify the language, make the communications more effective & translating the goals into programmes & projects - it has to be suitable for as early as 10 years old.
- Increase funding for projects & provides capacity building for youth-led implementing agencies.
- “Only if we understand, can we care. Only if we care, we will help. Only if we help, we shall be saved” ~ Jane Goodall

