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The 5th ASEF Young Leaders Summit (ASEFYLS5) is a Leadership Programme for young Asians & Europeans on "Leadership in Society 5.0". ASEFYLS5 connects young professionals and students from Asian and European countries to learn, exchange and collaborate, and connects young people with the Decision-Makers and Leaders from Asian & European countries. The programme takes place from June to December 2023. It focuses on the theme of ‘Leadership & Society 5.0’ and incorporates 3 spheres for youth leadership: 1) self-leadership (you), 2) team leadership (we) and 3) societal leadership (all).

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