



Young Entrepreneurs of the Americas
*Forum for the participation of the Civil Society
in the process of the Summit of the Americas*



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The Young Americas Business Trust, YABT, along with other international organizations is organizing "Young Entrepreneurs of the Americas"; a Forum that seeks to provide a multidimensional platform which will heighten the relevance of the subjects of the Fourth Summit of the Americas in relation to young people. The YABT, in cooperation with a network of collaborators from both the public and private sector, will work with the Member States of the OAS to follow a work plan of six months. During those six months a process of gathering and compiling information regarding the needs, ideas and recommendations of young people, organizations, governments, and the private sector on *how to reinforce the subjects of the Fourth Summit of the Americas* will take place. For the last three months of the year, the recommendations and the report will be presented to the governments and the organizations of the civil society. For this purpose, a multimedia platform is being constructed that will serve as a resource and follow up center.

The subject of the Fourth Summit of the Americas is: **"Creating Jobs to Confront Poverty and Strengthen Democratic Governance"**. Considering the long-term impact of this topic, it is essential to know the opinion of young people regarding this subject and above all, the recommendations they have to offer. These recommendations will be compiled in a manifesto, which will be developed in August **10, 11, and 12 in Buenos Aires, Argentina**, within the framework of the **Forum of Young Entrepreneurs of the Americas** after which it will be distributed at the IV Summit of the Americas.

"The Summit of the Americas brings together the Heads of State and Government of the Western Hemisphere to discuss common concerns, seek solutions and develop a shared vision for their future development of the region, be it economic, social or political in nature.

The process is guided by shared political principles and established institutional mechanisms. The political principles of the process dictate that the process shall include the 34 democratic nations of the Americas, who operate with free market economies, conduct multilateral international negotiations and who reach decisions by consensus. The institutional mechanisms are the bodies in charge of leading the process, decision-making, implementation and follow-up.¹

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