

Five UPG Sustainability Leaders from Asia Pacific compete for votes to reach Hurricane Island, USA

Five UPG Sustainability Leaders from across Asia Pacific compete for your vote to win a place on the Journey To Hurricane Island (USA). Voters will win prizes!

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, January 31, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ --Five <u>#UPGSustainability</u> leaders from Asia Pacific have been nominated to compete for the <u>#JourneyToHurricane</u> campaign for a 1- week leadership training in Hurricane Island Center for Science and Leadership in USA. Members of the public are voting in the thousands to determine which Leaders will win the coveted spots. Voters will win prizes!

These five Nominees come from various parts of the Asia Pacific region,



are diverse in their backgrounds and their dreams and they are united by the separate actions and projects that they are doing to create a better and more sustainable world. They share their stories via text and videos that can be viewed on the campaign site: <u>https://upglive.org/journeytohurricane</u>. In addition, there are regular Instagram LIVE sessions where voters can interact with each Nominee.

Meet the #UPGSustainability Leaders from Asia Pacific who are participating in the campaign.

Meet Ade Damayanti #UPGSustainability Leader is a passionate sustainability enthusiast from Indonesia, boasting over five years of firsthand experience, navigating challenges in remote Indonesian islands. She journeyed through damaged roads, dense forests, and rivers where basic amenities like electricity and telecommunication signals were rare. She is dedicated to empowering youth and communities, her work is meticulously aligned with Sustainable Development Goals 4, 7, 13, and 17, showcasing her commitment to catalyzing positive change in these often-overlooked regions. She is campaigning to #JourneyToHurricane, Listen to what she has to say:

https://upglive.org/vote-damay

Meet Ei Nandar Khin

#UPGSustainability Leader is from Myanmar, she has a Bachelor of Social Studies, she is deeply committed to advancing quality education and gender equality in Myanmar. She is empowering young people and women in local areas, and she devotes herself to community development from the grassroots level. She is campaigning to



#JourneyToHurricane, Listen to what she has to say: <u>https://upglive.org/vote-einandar</u>

Meet Kelly Johanna Lizarazo #UPGSustainability Leader Pimiento is a Colombian based in Gold

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> Yemi Babington- Ashaye. President, United People Global

Coast, Australia. She is interested in the SDG 3. Good health and well-being, 11. Sustainable cities and communities and 12. Responsible consumption and production. She is campaigning to #JourneyToHurricane, Listen to what she has to say: <u>https://upglive.org/vote-kelly</u>

Meet Fred Aloysius Weedor #UPGSustainability Leader is a sustainable leader ,motivational teacher, and life coach .He's passionate about empowering Young people,and creating a sustainable environment in Line with the SDGs (Goal 11). He is campaigning to #JourneyToHurricane,

Listen to what he has to say: <u>https://upglive.org/vote-fredaloysius</u>

Meet Yihong Aekthana Arsirawart #UPGSustainability Leader is from Thailand, deeply committed to fostering positive change. With a passion for education, his focus aligns with Sustainable Development Goal 4, as he strives to contribute to creating inclusive and quality learning opportunities for all. Your vote will empowers him to champion a brighter, more equitable

future. He is campaigning to #JourneyToHurricane, Listen to what he has to say: <u>https://upglive.org/vote-</u> <u>yihong</u>

Voters from each region are making their voices heard before the polls close at midnight CET on Sunday, 4 February 2024. Voters are eligible to win 36 prizes (outlined below) and all they have to do is to vote. The winning Leaders are unveiled at an upcoming #UPGSustainability Journey event taking place on Friday, 9 February 2024. At this event, the winners of the 36 prizes are also announced from the voting register. To attend, participants may RSVP here: https://upglive.org/upgsl-events-RSVP.

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Over 13000+ people have applied to be part of the Class of 2024 of UPG Sustainability Leadership. From the Class of 2023, 562 UPG Sustainability Leaders from across 100+ countries were trained and certified as part of UPG Sustainability Leadership. They completed an intensive 9-week training to become ambassadors for positive citizen leadership on sustainability. They are now active and leading local projects in their communities. Since



2019 they have directly trained over 42000+ citizens across all world regions (and counting) on how to make the world better through positive action and the Sustainable Development Goals of

the United Nations.

Each year, selected groups are chosen for an additional, in-person training on Hurricane Island in the USA. This training is a fully-funded experience that is designed to strengthen each leader for the work they are doing in their communities. And so this week people from around the world are currently voting to select which of the 36 Nominees will be amongst the chosen ones. Voting is open until Midnight CET on Sunday, 4 February 2023.

Voters for the Journey to Hurricane campaign stand a chance to win amazing prizes: 36 incredible prizes!



2x - Voter(s) will receive a CASH jackpot of USD 100

7x - ONE voter from each region will receive a Golden Ticket for UPG Sustainability Leadership that they can use or give to someone that they care about

7x - ONE voter from each region will receive a Supporter Raffle ticket (can win \$250 CASH and more).

2x - UPG Swag Kit 1: T-Shirt, Bag, A6 Notebook, Pen, Keyholder, Lanyard

2x - UPG pays a donation to a charity that you choose when you Make A Goodwill Vow. Up to USD 50 for each Goodwill Vow

- 7x ONE voter from each region will receive UPG Champion status in 2024 paid for by UPG
- 4x Spotlight: Feature on UPG social media a post celebrating YOU!
- 3x Feature an organisation that you nominate on UPG social media
- 2x Be featured at an upcoming session of United Voices: What's Going On?

In addition to these prizes, everyone can win additional prizes by demonstrating their knowledge of the Leaders from each region. These prizes are managed separately and determined through a seven fun games focused on each region. To participate, RSVP here: <u>https://upglive.org/activity-rsvp</u>.

"The Hurricane Island Center for Science and Leadership is proud to partner with United People Global. We are eager to bring these UPG Sustainability Leaders to Hurricane Island to further their development and to build a rich network of leaders who learn from and depend on each other," said Bo Hoppin, Executive Director at the Hurricane Island Center for Leadership and Science.

UPG Sustainability Leadership is the world's largest and most comprehensive sustainability leadership training for young adults. It is a free programme that mobilises people and organisations to support positive citizen leadership on sustainability. This training is possible because of the support of UPG's partners and collaborators, especially the author and philanthropist, Late Rosamund Zander. To learn more about UPG Sustainability Leadership visit this link: <u>https://upglive.org/UPGSustainability</u>.

Since 2020 the COVID-19 pandemic has been part of the planning process at every step. And very strict measures are in place to ensure the safe travel and stay of the leaders on Hurricane Island as well as the safety of everyone directly or indirectly involved. These measures include vaccination and testing requirements at key moments throughout this period. These safety and hygiene measures are constantly under review as the pandemic continues to evolve - and the guidelines issued by the World Health Organization, the Center for Disease Control in the USA, as well as the local requirements in the US State of Maine are constantly monitored and respected.

Note to Editors

- 1. Vote: <u>https://upglive.org/journey-vote</u>
- 2. Visit #UPGSustainability #JourneyToHurricane: <u>https://upglive.org/journeytohurricane</u>
- 3. Learn about #UPGSustainability Leadership: <u>https://upglive.org/UPGSustainability</u>
- 4. Meet the nominees: <u>https://youtu.be/_9WXw_qZkol</u>
- 5. To partner or collaborate with UPG Sustainability Leadership, please visit: <u>https://upglive.org/letsconnect</u>
- 6. More about United People Global <u>https://unitedpeople.global/about-us</u>
- 7. Join UPG: https://unitedpeople.global/join
- 8. Join UPG's Media Community: https://unitedpeople.global/nominations/journalists-nomination
- 9. Follow UPG on most social media: @unitedpeopleglobal or on Twitter: @unitedpeople36 10. Social Media Hashtags: #UPGSustainability and #JourneyToHurricane

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