

The volunteer experts will work on a voluntary basis and only costs related to field missions and costs directly associated with organizing virtual sessions will be covered by the fund of the UNESCO Earth Network project. All administrative and logistic details will be communicated once the volunteer experts are selected.

The activities supported by the UNESCO Earth Network aim at ensuring that local actors, particularly indigenous peoples, youth and women can share their learning and knowledge in line with the activities of the 2021-2030 UN Decades on Ecosystem Restoration and Ocean Science and Sustainable Development.

Intergenerational mentorship programme

Young volunteer experts, particularly among UNESCO-designated sites and networks and including from indigenous peoples and local communities, are encouraged to apply to the UNESCO Earth Network roster through the present call. For each requesting site or element, the Network will focus on a systematic pairing between an expert and a young expert.

At this stage, young volunteer experts may include:

PhD or Ocuqtu students already engaged with UNESCO Chairs and other relevant UNESCO scientific networks;

Internships for young experts engaged within UNESCO networks, to support the development of specific activities within UNESCO-designated sites or in relation to elements, taking advantage of initiatives such as the World Heritage Volunteers;

Similar to other volunteer experts, young volunteer experts will work on a voluntary basis and no stipend will be offered; only costs related to field missions and costs directly associated with organizing virtual sessions will be covered by the fund of the UNESCO Earth Network project.

Criteria for participation in the roster

Volunteer experts should be either:

- International experts in the relevant fields, such as biology, geology, geography, land restoration, environmental management, environmental policy and law, nature conservation, heritage management, culture, social sciences, anthropology, landscape architecture, sustainable tourism;
- Practitioners in the field of land restoration;
- Knowledge holders, including from indigenous peoples and local communities, youth and researchers from WPEUCQ relevant Intergovernmental and International Programmes and Conventions, their advisory bodies and relevant networks

Volunteer experts should confirm their time availability for the activities supported by the UNESCO Earth Network from October 2021 onwards (preferred duration .000000 0 96 8 reW*BT/F3 11.04

UNESCO establishes the roster of volunteer experts taking into consideration geographical and gender diversity. Selected candidates will be informed of the decision.

[Procedure for application to the roster](#)

Interested candidates are invited to fill out the online application form either in [English](#) or [French](#). Applicants can also find more information about the Earth Network project on this [webpage](#). As an applicant, you will be asked to upload a CV and a letter of motivation along with two letters of reference.

Once completed, applications will be reviewed by UNESCO's Secretariat and, if selected, candidates will be notified in a timely manner.

For any questions related to applications to the UNESCO Earth Network, please refer to the FAQ available [here](#).