Green Summit in Copenhagen: The next generation kick-starts the summit

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The next generation of young entrepreneurs from Kenya, Republic of Korea, Ethiopia and Denmark are actively engaged in the green summit, P4G, from the 19-20 October in Copenhagen. The young entrepreneurs will present their innovative and tech based solutions to the climate changes as well as other global challenges such as food waste, water shortage and ocean plastic.

“The solutions of tomorrow for solving the current global challenges should be resolved in collaboration with young people. Both because they can contribute with their ideas and approaches to new technology. And because we owe it to them to include them in solving the challenges created by our generation. This is why the P4G Summit builds on collaboration between countries, sectors and generations. The young entrepreneurs will inspire us with their inventions and at the same time be challenged on their use of technology, business plans, and more”, Minister for Development Cooperation, Ulla Tørnæs, says. Tonight, the Minister will meet young entrepreneurs at a Tech Bazar at DTU Skylab at the Technical University of Denmark (DTU).

On Friday, Day 1 of the summit, the young entrepreneurs will participate in thematic work sessions on environment and food, water, energy, cities and circular economy, and present their innovative, sustainable solutions. On Day 2 of the summit, one of the young entrepreneurs, Samuel Rigu, from Kenya, who has started the company Safi Organics, will talk about next generation leadership with former Prime Minister of Norway and UN Special Envoy on Climate Change, Gro Harlem Brundtland.

“Inclusion of young tech entrepreneurs in the P4G Summit is perfectly
aligned with the Danish government’s foreign policy commitment on technological diplomacy and techvelopment. New technology and the use of data and digitalization are modern means and intelligent short cuts to create new possibilities for sustainable growth and development,” says Ulla Tørnæs.

Besides the young entrepreneurs from many of the P4G partner countries, young students and professors from DTU, other Danish universities and Korean students will participate in the P4G Summit. In cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, the universities have chosen to offer courses building on the five specific P4G supported partnerships across scientific fields.

Finally, a group of young DTU students will be involved in the Summit as influencers at a large public event on the Sustainable Development Goals at Copenhagen’s City Hall Square. The square will be transformed into an oversized city apartment for a day with its supply chains visible. Here, the young influencers will guide the foreign P4G guests and ordinary Danes through a sustainable apartment of the future.

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