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UN Youth Australia acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples as Australia's First Peoples and Custodians of the lands on which we operate. We acknowledge that this land was stolen, sovereignty was never ceded, and that colonialism continues to pervade our collective present. We respect and honour First Nations Elders past and present, as they hold the histories and traditions of the oldest continuing culture in the world. We also acknowledge First Nations young people who continue to carry this wealth of knowledge, culture and connections into the future. UN Youth Australia reaffirms its commitment to Reconciliation and First Nations justice, and recognises that we have much to learn from the lived experiences and expertise of First Nations Peoples.

Our Vision and Impact

UN Youth Australia is a national youth-led not-for-profit organisation that aims to be the premier organisation for Australian youth to engage with global issues, by providing high quality experiences, empowering leadership opportunities and internationally-focused educational content.

We educate over 3,000 young Australians each year across every state and territory, with a focus on conferences, competitions and international tours for secondary school students. We also work in conjunction with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade on the Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations Program. We know that young leaders have the vision and passion to create meaningful change within their communities and throughout the world, and aim to equip them with the skills and inspiration to do so. Our activities are run for youth and by youth, and everything we do is aimed at empowering young people to be leaders on the world stage.

UN Youth Australia is run entirely by a team of over 500 extremely dedicated volunteers, all aged 16 to 25. We are one of the only organisations brave enough to empower young people with skills in education, in design, in leadership, in organisation, in diplomacy and in negotiation to execute their vision – and we couldn't be happier with the result!

Year at a glance



2000+
VOLUNTEERS



3000+
PARTICIPANTS



700,000
TOTAL REVENUE

Chairperson's Report



There's no doubt a word in some language - probably German - for the feeling of living through History with a capital 'H'. Across my short life, I have never known the news to be quite so interactive as it did this year, including bush fires, floods, a pandemic, and Australia's first technical recession since this organisation has existed. This year will certainly stick in our collective memory, and I would take this opportunity to let the record show that UN Youth Australia rose above it all.

From the perspective of the Board it has certainly been a challenging year. The calls we made in March and April to cancel or move online many of our most exciting programs were certainly not easy, even if in retrospect they were inevitable, and like so many organisations we have also had to cut budgets since then. Seeing the organisation respond to these challenges with creativity and enthusiasm has, however, been inspiring.

It has also been a very exciting year for the Board to focus on some strategic changes and organisational development. As we hand over to the 2021 Board, we leave them better equipped in terms of, inter alia, our insurance, volunteer management practises, appointment and handover timelines, investment strategy, financial controls, and first structural steps towards meaningful Reconciliation work. In particular I am incredibly excited by our 2021-2023 Strategic Plan which has been 18 months in the making, and which we hope will focus energies on strengthening the core of UN Youth, on increasing diversity, and in improving our ways of working.

This year has also highlighted the need for an organisation such as UN Youth. There have never been so many young eyes reading about the world, just as there has never been so much misinformation available out there and so much of it simplified to the point of us vs them. Young people have both borne the brunt of many of the disasters this year has brought forth, and also been at the forefront of making the most of them. An organisation that can equip young people with the tools to form nuanced ideas and to turn those ideas into reality is exactly what we need to make 2021 a better year than the one we've had, and each year after that even more so.

In signing off I would like to give a huge thank you to all of my fellow Board members, to each of our incredibly hard-working National Executive members, and to every single volunteer who has contributed something to this organisation. This community is so much more than an organisation, and it has been the greatest of honours and deepest of pleasures to serve alongside you.

In solidarity,



Matt Friedman

Chair of the Board of Directors

President's Report



When I stepped into this role in December 2019, this was not the year I expected. It was not the year any of us expected. The pandemic changed all our lives overnight, and many organisations held their breath to see what would happen next. I am proud to say that in 2020, UN Youth was able to tackle every challenge head on and continue to do what we do best: empower and educate young people.

This year I was lucky enough to work with a stellar team on the National Executive, who oversaw the rapidly changing operations throughout the pandemic. Together we braved cancellations, pivoted effectively online, implemented new events, assessed and reassessed finances, and supported the eight State and Territory branches across Australia as they, too, dealt with the uncertainty of this year.

Working intimately with the Board through a pandemic was essential. This year saw the Board hold almost twice as many meetings as a usual year, which meant that the National Executive was able to closely collaborate to implement strategic projects, professionalise our financial practices, and develop contingency plans for our National events. The Board was also a massive support for me when the National Executive was missing a few members, taking on oversight of the Voice National Finals, and doing a lot of the administrative heavy lifting early in the year.

The ability of our State and Territory branches to run our regular programs varied across months and across the country. I want to congratulate each Divisional President and their executives for taking the time to adapt online, rearrange event calendars, and for being resilient and flexible for each of the twists and turns the year provided. The National Executive and Board made sure they were reactive to and supporting Divisions through the pandemic, providing resources in early March for State and Territory Conferences, and working closely on ensuring financial sustainable practices.

The global pandemic has disproportionately affected young people, but this year has shown me just how much power, resilience, and innovation young people have when faced with challenges. This year I have been privileged enough to lead a team of inspiring volunteers from all across the country, young people who, despite everything this year has thrown at us, hold hope and keep fighting for what they believe in. This year has thrown our globalised world into a universe of isolation, and it is very difficult to know what will come next. Whatever it is though, I am more convinced than ever, that the young people of today will be able to adapt and continue to shape it into the world they want to see.

In love and solidarity,

Cassady Swinbourne
National President 2020

Strategic Plan 2015-2020

UN Youth Australia's objective is to instil in every young Australian a deeper understanding of global issues and the work of the United Nations and to empower young people at every level of decision-making by running events and programs, both domestically and internationally, for Australian youth. 2020 marked the fifth and final year of implementing UN Youth Australia's 2015-2020 Strategic Plan, which articulated four values that underpin the entirety of our work:

- We bring an international perspective on relevant issues;
- We provide immersive experiences;
- We trust young people with responsibility; and
- We grow peer to peer communities of passionate young people.

The 2015-2020 Strategic Plan consisted of seven strategies, with specific objectives under each strategy:

1. Clear project delivery;
2. Powerful communications;
3. Support human resources;
4. Maximise inclusivity;
5. Financial sustainability;
6. Engage internationally; and
7. Foster innovation.

The Board of Directors and National Executive shared responsibility for implementing and reviewing the Strategic Plan. The most recent review of the Strategic Plan was conducted by the Board of Directors in March 2020, and of all the second-level objectives in the Plan:

- 6 were categorised as 'Achieved';
- 13 were categorised as 'Progress Made';
- 5 were categorised as 'Plans in Place'; and
- 3 were categorised as 'No Progress'.



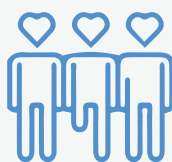
Strategic Plan 2021-2023

A renewed vision

As we start a new chapter, UN Youth Australia's mission and goals are ambitious. Over the past two years, the Board of Directors, with consultation on all levels of the organisation, channelled these aspirations into a Strategic Plan. The Plan offers a thorough and compelling vision for UN Youth Australia's development over the next three years. For the 2021-2023 period, UN Youth will focus on three Strategic Pillars:



**Strengthening
our core**



**Increasing
diversity**



**Improving ways
of working**

To help us work towards these pillars, we have designed nine strategic initiatives:

1. Revising risk management
2. Reviewing UN Youth's organisational structure
3. Developing the Development Portfolio
4. Establishing a mentoring program
5. Building a proactive approach to Ethics
6. Investing long-term in online spaces
7. Committing to meaningful acts of reconciliation
8. Elevating minority voices
9. Making operations accessible

The document was designed by the Board of Directors with extensive consultation and feedback from the National Executive, Divisions and members. It is exciting to see the contributions, visions and dreams of so many volunteers around the country come together in one document.

The plan was formally adopted in December 2020.



A young man with dark, curly hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and a patterned tie, is sitting cross-legged on a light-colored wooden floor. He is looking off to the side with a thoughtful expression. His hands are clasped in his lap. In the background, a woman with long dark hair is looking down at her phone, and another person is partially visible. The setting appears to be an indoor event space with large windows and a table with items on it in the background. The entire image has a blue tint.

Our Volunteers



Our Volunteers

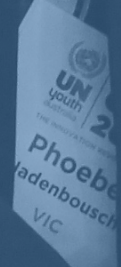
UN Youth is run entirely by more than 500 active volunteers, with a membership base of more than 2000 all aged between 16 and 25.

Our volunteers are involved in every aspect of our organisation. They organise and run our events, teach students, manage our administration and finance, run our marketing and develop new programs. They're entrepreneurial and they care about creating a generation of young Australians who are engaged with the world around them. Supporting and empowering our volunteers is a priority.

We held our biannual national meeting of members in December of 2019 in Brisbane. Volunteers from around the country gathered to participate in skills sessions, debate policy proposals, attend our Annual General Meeting, and have a bit of fun at our socials. Our July Council in 2020, however, looked a little different to normal. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we had to move the event online. Despite the change in format, the event was a massive success, with a record-breaking number of over 100 volunteers attending. We also held a one-day virtual meeting alongside an SGM in October, in which we held a couple of skill and consultation sessions. We intend to continue to hold these one-day virtual meetings in-between our usual in-person biannual meetings into the future, to engage volunteers throughout the year in a forum that is more accessible and with little cost.

Since the first day I stepped into the role, I felt really empowered to pursue projects where I felt I could truly add value.

Monika Antoszewska



A group of about ten people are silhouetted against a vast, cloudy sky. They are sitting or standing on a rocky, uneven shore, looking out towards a distant, hazy horizon. The overall tone is blue and atmospheric, suggesting a sense of contemplation or looking forward.

COVID-19 Response

This year has been a year like no other, and UN Youth Australia has not been immune to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Being an events-based organisation, we had to instantly rethink and re-envision what our operations look like in an isolated world.



A flurry of cancellations

The month of March is usually when most States and Territories hold their Conferences. These are usually residential, and can range between having 30 to over 200 students depending on the State/ Territory. When Australia went into lockdown, we had to unfortunately cancel many of our State and Territory Conferences, as well as our July International Activities.

As the pandemic increased in ferocity, we further decided to cancel our National Conference (which was scheduled for July 2020), our January 2021 International Activities, and the Youth Representative 'Listening Tour'.

Pivoting online

The first big event to be run online was our Voice National Finals in April. Following that, many Divisions ran their Voice Competitions, Evatt Competitions, and numerous day summits online. The speed and agility of how this organisation was able to move to those online platforms is a credit to the ingenuity and resilient spirit of young people.



When we were forced to move this event to fully online delivery, I don't think in our wildest dreams it would have worked as well as it did in the end.

Ned Feary, Voice National Finals 2020 Convenor

A silver lining...

COVID-19 restrictions this year gave a small amount of operational respite at times, providing an opportunity to reflect and have a more strategic focus. This year we established the Reconciliation Working Group, a People of Colour (POC) and a Wom*ns Officer, the Data Committee, the National Recruitment Managers, the National Accessibility Panel, restructured our existing National Finance and National Communication Committees, and are now looking to establish some further sponsorship and alumni roles. These added roles have lessened the direct operational burden on our National Executive, meaning they are able to better develop their portfolios, deliver reform, and have greater operational capacity. Further, we have tightened our financial processes to better reflect industry best practice, and have compiled and updated internal resources to ensure that future volunteers are better supported in their work.



COVID-19 Recovery

Looking forward

We still have to be cautious looking forward. That is why our organisation is investing in risk management more than ever before. We are hoping to be able to run some of our National Activities in-person next year, but will be ensuring we have hybrid-online and fully online contingency plans that we can spring into action if there is another outbreak.

We are watching the progress of the trans-Tasman bubble closely to see whether it will be possible to run any of our New Zealand-based International Activities soon, but any further travel-based International Activities will be contingent on ongoing government regulations and travel restrictions. Instead, we are looking to run online events along similar themes to our traditional International Activities, which we hope will keep those international relationships and programs alive until travel is possible again.



National Activities

UN Youth Australia's major domestic initiatives are the Evatt Model United Nations Competition, the Voice Public Speaking Competition, National Conference (unfortunately cancelled this year), National Summits and the Young Leaders Summit program. These events are organised in collaboration between the national organisation and our Divisions in Australian states and territories.

Evatt National Finals

UN Youth Australia's Evatt Competition is Australia's largest debating and diplomacy competition. Named after former High Court Justice and 3rd President of the United Nations General Assembly, Dr H V Evatt, the Evatt Competition gathers together thousands of students from across the country to take part in a simulation of the United Nations Security Council.

Participating in teams of two, students adopt the role of representatives for one of the 15 Security Council member states. In their roles they negotiate and debate Security Council resolutions, seeking to address threats to international peace whilst furthering their own country's goals and interests. The Evatt Competition gives students hands-on insight into the operation of the most powerful international organisation in the history of the interstate system and exposure to some of the most important questions facing the international community.

The last National Finals of the Evatt Model Security Council Competition was held in Brisbane in December 2019. During the Evatt National Finals, 60 students from across Australia and New Zealand participated in 10 Model United Nations debates, met with academics, diplomats, politicians and community leaders, and participated in an Interactive Problem Solving activity, dealing with real-world geopolitical issues in a simulated crisis scenario.

Throughout 2020, Evatt Competition rounds were held across the country in every Division of UN Youth. Over 1000 students participated, tackling some of the most pressing issues of our times.

The students debated the following topics at the 2019 National Finals:

- The Question of Kashmir
- The Question of Multilateralism and the UNSC
- The Question of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
- The Question of West Papua
- The Question of Media Freedoms
- The Question of the Lake Chad Basin
- The Question of Extraterrestrial Settlement
- The Question of Non-Violent Intervention
- The Question of Mayotte
- The Question of Turkmenistan



Voice National Finals

The Voice Competition is a nationwide program which empowers young Australians in Years 7 to 10 to develop and express their solutions to the most significant challenges facing the globe. Voice shines a spotlight on some of the most innovative young Australians by prioritising the quality of the speaker's ideas above all other criteria.

This year, around 450 school students took part in Voice rounds in almost every state and territory. Students chose from a range of speech topics which reflected current challenges facing Australia and the world.

The 2020 Voice National Finals was held on Zoom, with 44 students from around the country gathering to present their pitches and develop their problem solving skills. Students focused on the key roles that people of all ages around the world are playing in sculpting the direction of our future, and were encouraged, and equipped with the skills, to make that change themselves. Speakers included a school-strike organiser, a queer activist, the future Australian Youth Representative, and the organiser of a feminist-youth art collective. Participant feedback has indicated that this was a highlight for most participants, who felt empowered by listening to other young people who are active in making change.

The students presented pitches on the following topics:

- How can we combat homophobia and promote LGBTIQ* rights in Australian sport?
- How can we balance economic development with environmentally sustainable practices in developing countries?
- How can we ensure all Australians have access to stable and secure shelter?
- How should the international community respond to countries that violate their citizens' human rights?
- How can we ensure that all Australians are able to participate in public discourse and have their voices heard?
- How can we better regulate and deal with companies that act in unethical ways?
- How can we make Australia more accessible for people with disabilities?
- How can Australia improve its response to epidemics?
- What can Australia do to improve its response to environmental disasters?
- How can we protect freedom of the press?
- How can we encourage more women to pursue STEM careers?
- How can we ensure that indigenous languages prosper?



I loved seeing that even in an online environment, all of the participants were so friendly and supportive of each other at Voice. While I was delivering my speeches, I felt like everyone was cheering me on which was so encouraging. Every time I've competed in Voice, I've been amazed by the unique solutions all the participants come up with to tackle huge real-world issues...

Holly, South Australia





National Conference

UN Youth Australia's Conference program is our oldest ongoing initiative. Divisions have been holding State and Territory conferences for decades, and the first ever National Conference was hosted in 1963. At UN Youth Conferences, students live together for up to a week, building friendships with like-minded peers and delving into educational content presented by facilitators. Unfortunately, we were unable to hold a National Conference this year due to COVID-19 restrictions, however State and Territory Conferences were successfully held in Queensland, New South Wales, South Australia and the Northern Territory. Conferences are centred on topics of global significance and usually involve a series of peer-to-peer workshops, speaker sessions with thought leaders, problem solving activities, Model-UN debating, and social activities. A number of divisions used the nationally coordinated theme for their conference: The Politics of Development: Measuring Development in the 21st Century.

Young Leaders Summits

Over the course of the year, states and territories across the country run three coordinated day-long summits that explore a wide range of geopolitical issues.

This year we ran Young Leaders Summits on themes of US Politics, LGBTQ+ Rights, and Corporate Social Responsibility. Participants explored these topics through interactive workshops, interactive problem solving activities, and expert speaker panels. Through peer-to-peer education, participants were able to embrace the nuance of complex global matters and discussed solutions to entrenched social issues.

The summit Our Press, Our Freedom which was a great success in many cities in 2019 was also held in Brisbane and Melbourne this year.

United States, Divided Politics

Where: Melbourne, Sydney, Darwin, Hobart

Our first summit of the year explored the political system of the United States. In the context of the 2020 presidential election, the summit aimed to explore the political processes of the United States, with a focus on the roles of the different branches of the government, the election process, and obstacles within the US political system. Throughout this summit's workshops and IPS, students were challenged to consider how the domestic politics of the United States impacts the rest of the world order.

With Love, With Pride

Where: Melbourne (online - also attended by NSW delegates)

Our second summit of the year explored the current state of LGBTQ+ rights globally and the fight for equality. Delegates learned about the history of the LGBTQ+ right movements, the state of LGBTQ+ rights in different international contexts, and analysed the importance of Pride and representation. Throughout this summit's workshops and IPS, students were challenged to consider the barriers that still exist in the fight for equality, and how they can be a part of that fight.

Corporate Social Responsibility

Where: Adelaide, Perth, Sydney (online)

Our third summit of the year explored the role of corporate social responsibility in creating a better world. Through the workshops and an IPS, delegates were introduced to the concepts of CSR and ethical industries, and analysed the different environmental, social, and humanitarian outcomes of CSR. The summit challenged delegates to consider the efficacy of prominent CSR programs and how they should engage with the world as ethical consumers.

National Summits

Riding the wave of online events, UN Youth Australia also organised two additional National Summits with external partners.

Tasman-Pacific Relations Summit

The Tasman-Pacific Relations Summit was organised in collaboration with UN Youth New Zealand. Over a weekend, delegates listened to two speaker panels and asked insightful questions to our speakers about the relationship between Australia and New Zealand, the two countries' role in the Asia-Pacific, and their connections with ASEAN. Delegates also participated in a crisis solving simulation set in the South China Sea, completed a workshop about the role of Australia and New Zealand within Southeast Asia, and engaged in discussion sessions where they were able to dive deeper into the issues discussed in the speaker panels. Most importantly, the Australian delegates were able to interact with New Zealander delegates and facilitators, developing a greater understanding of Kiwi culture and making new friends across the Tasman.

Gender Equality, Empowering Humanity Summit

The Gender Equality, Empowering Human Summit was organised in collaboration with UN Women Australia. Delegates heard from speakers Janelle Weissman (Executive Director of UN Women Australia) and Zahra Al-Hilaly (Australia's representative on the Beijing+25 Youth Taskforce). They also participated in two workshops about the state of gender equality globally and the role of the UN in advocating for gender equality. To conclude the day, they participated in a crisis simulation about gender diversity quotas in political parties. Delegates came away from the summit with a greater understanding of the current state of gender equality and how they can personally be part of the fight for gender equality.





International Activities

UN Youth Australia runs a series of international educational tours for secondary school students in January and July each year. In January, the tours visited Europe, the Middle East, and the United States of America, and engaged students with politicians, diplomats, embassies, academics, NGOs and grassroots organisations. Unfortunately this year our three July events - the Timor Leste Project (TLP), the Aotearoa Leadership Tour (ALT), and the New Zealand Model United Nations (NZMUN) trip - had to be cancelled.

Words cannot explain how much you will learn on MEE, the people you meet, stories you share, politicians you debate with and diplomats you take selfies with; will not only alter your lens on some of the world's most complex issues, but it will readjust the narrative so you focus on more than just the single and very biased story told by the media.

Kupakwashe, Middle East Experience



Young Diplomats Tour

In December, UN Youth held our fifth Young Diplomats Tour. As always, it was a whirlwind trip through Europe that traced the evolutions of modern systems of diplomacy. 16 delegates accompanied our team of facilitators through seven countries across almost four weeks. Together, they visited major cultural sites and consulted with dozens of political actors along the way. The tour explored the birth of modern democracy, the rise of the nation state, as well as the development of the international order. Highlights of the tour included witnessing the UK's EU Withdrawal Agreement being passed in the European Parliament, and watching Nigel Farage give his last ever European Parliament speech.

Middle East Experience

We were fortunate to run the Middle East Experience for the first time in a number of years. Our nearly three week trip took 16 inquisitive students to Israel and Jordan, following the themes of nationalism, religion and statehood. Over the duration of the tour, delegates learnt how these themes contributed to and were reflected within the Israel-Palestine conflict. With over 20 consultations, delegates learnt first-hand from people living in this region of the world about how different methods of governance and styles of leadership have shaped the region. The tour also focused on how international intervention has influenced nationalism, and the different role religion has in Israeli and Jordanian societies in comparison with Australia. Highlights included an overnight stay in Wadi Rum, visiting Nazareth and a tour of Petra.

American Political Tour

In January 2020, a group of our facilitators led sixteen delegates on a three week tour of the American Political System. Over their time in America, they examined the interactions between the people, the media and the government in order to attempt to understand the complex relationships that exist, and how these groups work together in an era of democratic uncertainty. Their consultations sought to explore how the past and present of the United States interact, and how these impact the potential future of American Democracy. Highlights included a consultation with members of the Australian Permanent Mission to the UN and a tour of the US Capitol.





Youth Representative Program

About the Program

The Australian Youth Representative is a position that is run as a joint program between UN Youth Australia and the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The program was established in 1999 and sees an appointed young Australian travel around Australia on a Listening Tour, gathering the thoughts, concerns and opinions of those aged 25 and younger. The Youth Representative (or Youth Rep) compiles these findings into a speech delivered at the United Nations, and additionally delivers a comprehensive Report Back Tour around Australia and Report that is delivered to major stakeholders in youth issues and to Local, State, and Federal Government representatives.

Fortunately prior to the major impacts of COVID-19 in Australia, we were able to have a successful Report Back Tour to serve as the conclusion of the 2019 program. Our 2019 Youth Representative Kareem El-Ansary was able to visit each state and territory, engaged with relevant stakeholders and members of Local, State and Federal Government to deliver the findings of the Listening Tour, and secured a high profile interview on the Network 10 evening news show, The Project. As a part of his role, Kareem also delivered a speech to the Third General Assembly of the United Nations representing the youth of Australia.

Due to the impacts of COVID-19 the difficult decision to suspend the 2020 operations of the Youth Representative program was made in April. As a result of this, the Youth Representative Program has been offered the unique opportunity to take stock of the growth of the program, and consolidate over the later half of 2020. This resulted in trialling new aspects of the program, including the launch of a new project, a podcast called For the Future. For the Future explores the issues that young Australians have identified as priorities throughout past programs. This is conducted through an interview style format with experts in the subject field in addition to young Australians with expertise in the episode's subject area. For the Future has so far covered a recap of the 2019 program, the BLM movement, allyship for Indigenous Australians and refugees to Australia, and the mental health crisis.

We have planned a program for 2021 that allows for flexibility in our uncertain times, and are working towards a contingency for an online version of the Youth Representative program to ensure that the voices of young Australians are placed at the forefront of the national agenda.





Divisional Activities

UN Youth Australia is a federal organisation. Local activities are generally run by the independent UN Youth Division in the state and territory in which the activity takes place, with the national organisation facilitating state and territory collaboration.

Australian Capital Territory

Although 2020 was a challenging year, the ACT nevertheless experienced its fair share of success stories, with all portfolios exhibiting growth, progress, and long-term strategic planning. Several of the ACT's highlights include high volunteer and facilitator retention, well-assured relationships with local schools and universities, and a continued increase in diverse and equitable opportunities for our organisation's members.

The 2020 ACT Conference, convened by an organising committee led by Kez Roy, was originally slated for April. The Conference endeavoured to prioritise local strengths, knowledge, and sponsorships; regional and low-SES engagement; and diversified educational content that would cater to divisional interests and expectations. Although this event was ultimately put on-hold, it is expected to resume in 2021 pending local COVID-19 guidelines with the continued support of divisional volunteers. Similarly paused this year were plans for regional conferences, road trips, and similar engagements, with regional areas among those most-severely impacted by January's bushfires, and so-too the travel recommendations posed by COVID-19. Moving forward, we anticipate an increased emphasis on the regions, and a hopeful return-to-form for regional student engagement in 2021.

While many of our flagship programs were unable to run, the second-half of the year did see the return of our ever-popular Evatt Competition, which had increased government-school engagement compared to previous years, and a national team similarly composed of majority government-school students. Likewise, the Education portfolio was able to resume its activities, with in-school programs and engagement taking the forefront in the last three months of the year.

Beyond this, the ACT has been forward-looking, with anticipatory groundwork for a number of strategic changes being carried out, policy-consideration being brought to the forefront, and a newly-elected executive coming into the role. In 2021, there's expected to be a renewed focus on diversifying the volunteer base, investigating and consulting on divisional stipends and honoraria, and emphasising the ACT's focus on equitable engagement criteria across the board. All in all, 2020 has been a year of efficacious growth and persistent success, with 2021 looking to continue this trend.

New South Wales

The NSW Division has been highly successful in responding to, and overcoming, the challenges created by COVID-19 induced lockdowns and subsequent restrictions on in-person events in the aftermath of lockdown. The Division has been able to run most of its programs in an online platform, thus ensuring it was continuing to engage with its members and participants.

UN Youth NSW was so pleased to be able to host State Conference this year just before COVID-19 really 'hit' and is proud of the fact that it was one of our biggest, if not the biggest, State Conference ever in terms of delegate engagement. The Division has also made significant strides in 2020 towards the execution of our Strategic Plan. This has taken the form of considerable amendments to the By-Laws, the reforming of the Education Portfolio and the introduction of new officer positions. In 2020, it launched the inaugural edition of the UN Youth NSW Magazine, the Global Advocate, and has begun developing online modules for school visits so that they can be conducted without facilitators, particularly in rural and regional areas that are difficult for the Division to reach.

2020 was also the first year with an eight-person Executive Committee. Having made the Development Officer position into the Director of Development at the 2019 AGM, the 2020 Director of Development, Prabhleen Kaur, has effectively created this role from the ground-up and made it an integral part of our organisation. The Division is looking forward to 2021 where more in-person events can hopefully be held and is ready to implement initiatives COVID-19 prevented us from taking in order to expand and improve our First Nations engagement.

Nothern Territory

The NT had a largely smooth run this year despite the complications of 2020. They ran an outstanding Territory Conference, despite being postponed by four months, and an increase in the exploration of possible avenues for regional accessibility in the NT. The 2020 Territory Conference was lucky enough to secure sponsorship from the Hilton Darwin and the Northern Territory Government, which allowed for an event of a higher calibre than in previous years. The NT was also able to run a Young Leader Summit in February 2020 where young people were able to look at how the US government and election systems worked, going into a tumultuous election season. The NT's Evatt Competition saw a smaller number of delegates than previously but not a lack of passion in the talented young people taking part in very interesting and intelligent debates. The NT has also been looking towards the future of UN Youth events in the Northern Territory, with discussion regarding extending their reach further than solely events for the Darwin region and a more consistent engagement with remote and regional areas through the use of technologies popularised in 2020. The NT was able to increase executive positions with the introduction of the position of Secretary being opened which has proved beneficial to the NT Executive team and allowed more interested individuals to take a greater role in the organisation.

Queensland

2020 has been a year of adapting to challenges including both Covid-related issues and turnover in key personnel areas for UN Youth Queensland. The team spent a lot of its time this year consolidating the work of previous years, improving processes and ensuring handover for next year is as effective as possible. What the Division is most proud of was their ability as an organisation to move quickly and with little disruption to online events. Despite everything, they were still able to run their normal catalogue of programs, and the feedback from delegates has been very positive. Understandably, there has been lower engagement with facilitators and delegates across most of 2020, which does mean that there is more catching up to do over the next few years, as the division moves to rebuild and recover.

The downtime of COVID did present the team with the opportunity to reflect and improve upon processes. This has resulted in improvements to structures for budgeting and forecasting, processes for becoming a volunteer and to training, tracking of membership, usage of member feedback, and administrative storage systems. They have also made edits to their Constitution, and are in the process of setting up formal Volunteer Agreements for Executive Members and Convenors. With efforts focused on bettering their finances and running the usual catalogue of events, not all executive members made the progress they were expecting, or achieved every goal they set out to accomplish. But they still made some headway in improving training processes, bettering communication strategies, and making facilitating a more fun and rewarding experience.

South Australia

Despite the obvious and unprecedented challenges, 2020 has been a year of increased growth and stability for UN Youth SA. They successfully ran almost every event they had intended to before the pandemic, some in-person when restrictions eased and others virtually. Significant progress was also made on their 2019-2021 Divisional Strategic Plan and are set to accomplish all of the contained goals in the coming year. A pivot from an operational to a strategic focus during lockdown in the year's second quarter facilitated this, and gave them time to prepare to run a number of events in quick succession in the second half of the year. One of their biggest achievements was the creation of the Student Ambassadors Program, which has dramatically increased outreach capacity and broadened the delegate base while providing a rewarding opportunity to participants. Other successes include improvements to ways of working in the Communications and Finance portfolios as well as maintaining a vibrant volunteer social culture and strong partnerships with like-minded organisations.

Victoria

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, Victoria has had a generally successful year across all the portfolios. They launched a number of new initiatives and were able to engage their facilitator and delegate base during these trying times. They have managed to keep their hectic events schedule despite moving entirely online, having run three summits, Evatt, Voice, the Global Affairs Forum and a Regional Road trip. In addition to this, they launched a 12 week program in collaboration with the Ties for Lives Foundation on the issue of mental health, which culminated in the delegates splitting into two groups to develop their own initiatives which would help improve mental health and wellbeing in their own communities. They have also seen great innovation come out of the Division, with the development of the Evatt online format coming from two Victorian volunteers, and the proposal to establish the National Accessibility Panel being initially developed in Victoria. The Division invested in training and up-skilling of volunteers, running a well attended multi-day State Council, and a Disability and Inclusion training run by the Youth Disability Advocacy Service.

Western Australia

2020 was for WA, as with all divisions, a year that had its challenges, but the division dynamically adapted and still managed to deliver quality events, bolster a strong social culture and provide a solid platform for a stellar 2021. Despite cancelling their flagship event State Conference, Western Australia still provided large scale in person Evatt and Voice competitions, with regional engagement all the way to Geraldton, Kalgoorlie and Margaret River. It is also pleasing to note an intake of highly enthusiastic and involved new volunteers, which is encouraging for the near future of the organisation. It will be exciting to see how the 2021 executive builds on this momentum and the direction they take the Division in.





Governance

Governance

United Nations Youth Australia Ltd is a company limited by guarantee and a charity registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission. We are governed by a Board of Directors elected by the members of the company each year. The Board has general authority over the strategy, personnel, and finances of the company but delegates day-to-day operation to a National Executive, led by the National President. This report summarises the governance of the company over the period 1 October 2019 to 31 August 2020 ('the Reporting Period') to the best knowledge of the Directors at the time of writing. This is the eighth report of the Directors of United Nations Youth Australia Limited following the registration of the company on 31 July 2013.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of six positions for Divisional Representative Directors, serving two years terms, and four positions for Independent Directors, serving one year terms. All Directors must be under the age of 25 at the time of election. Directors are elected by voting members. The National President and National Secretary are ex-officio members of the Board.

The Directors of the company during the Reporting Period were:

- Brendan Ma (director from 6 December 2019)
- Doris Yeung (director from 6 December 2019)
- Monika Antoszewska (director from 6 December 2019)
- Nicholas Parker (director from 6 December 2019)
- Roslyn Dalton (director from 6 December 2019)
- Stewart Jackson (director from 6 December 2019)
- Jane Kennedy (director from 20 January 2019)
- Anne Wang (director from 13 December 2018)
- Matthew Friedman (director from 13 December 2018)
- Sumanthraj Burli (director from 13 December 2018)
- Cormac Power (director from 13 December 2018 until 6 December 2019)
- Anastasia Musson (director from 13 December 2018 until 6 December 2019)
- Lisa Ping (director from 13 December 2018 until 6 December 2019)
- Jeremy Chan (director from 8 December 2017 until 6 December 2019)

Anne Wang served as the Board Chairperson from the beginning of the Reporting Period until 6 December 2020. Matthew Friedman was elected Board Chairperson by the Board on 8 December 2020.

The Board has several standing committees, which perform various roles to assist the Board in performing its functions. As at 31 August 2020, the functions and members of the committees were as follows.

Finance and Audit Committee

Considers budgets of events, national finances, and reviews the preparation of the audit by the Chief Finance Officer.

- Anne Wang (Chair)
- Brendan Ma
- Doris Yeung
- Nicholas Parker
- Roslyn Dalton
- Stewart Jackson
- James Poulton (Chief Financial Officer)

Ethics Committee

Approves proposed sponsors by Divisions and Events for compliance with ethical guidelines.

- Roslyn Dalton (Chair)
- Sumanthraj Burli
- Brendan Ma
- Azam Malik (Chief Development Officer)

Welfare Committee

Considers reports of breaches of the Welfare Policy, approves event Risk Management Plans, considers reform of the Welfare Policy.

- Nicholas Parker (Chair)
- Monika Antoszezowska
- Jane Kennedy
- Jemma Smith (Chief Human Resources Officer)

Human Resources Committee

Coordinates formal oversight of the National Executive, including performance reviews and volunteer agreements.

- Stewart Jackson (Chair)
- Monika Antoszezowska
- Sumanthraj Burli

The Board also convenes a Board Nominations Committee to make recommendations on the nomination of new Independent Directors. In considering suitability as an Independent Director, the Board and Board Nominations Committee considers the candidates' capacity to contribute skills or perspectives to the Board that would facilitate the Board's strategic or prudential roles and are presently under-represented on the Board.

All Board members are non-executive directors and receive no remuneration for their services. They may be reimbursed for reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with Board activities. The Board held 18 meetings during the Reporting Period, including one face to face meeting.

National Executive

Danielle Santos served as National President during the Reporting Period until 6 December 2019, when Cassady Swinbourne was elected National President by the Voting Members. The Board appointed the following members to the National Executive early in the Reporting Period:

- Sabrina Berardinelli (National Secretary)
- Vincent Mason (Chief Communications Officer)
- Jemma Smith (Chief Human Resources Officer)
- Georgina Ryan (Chief Education Officer)
- Phoebe Metcalf (Chief Domestic Operations Officer)
- James Poulton (Chief Financial Officer)

Other roles on the National Executive were held by the following members, who were appointed before the Reporting Period:

- Georgia Wilde (Chief Development Officer)
- Maneesha Gopalan (Chief International Operations Officer)
- Nicholas Mezo (Chief Youth Representation Officer)

The Board appointed the following members to the National Executive following the resignation or completion of terms by other members:

- Sarah Ramantanis (Chief Communications Officer)
- Rhianna Schwenke (National Secretary)
- Adelaide Wood (Chief Domestic Operations Officer)
- Emma Salmon (Chief Youth Representation Officer)
- Amber Flynn (Chief International Operations Officer)
- Azam Malik (Chief Development Officer)

The National Executive held weekly meetings during the Reporting Period and were subject to two performance reviews conducted by the Board Human Resources Committee. The National Executive also appointed national staff members to assist with the operation of the finance, communications, education, recruitment, data management and youth representation across their respective portfolios.

Members

The Voting Members of the company are UN Youth organisations incorporated as associations in each Australian state and territory. Our volunteers are Associate Members of the company, and serve as voting members in the UN Youth association in their state or territory. Voting and Associate Members of the Company were broadly consulted in a number of different forums regarding the governance and operations of the Company:

- The forty-fifth and forty-sixth National Council meetings were held in Brisbane and on Zoom respectively. Both meetings were pleasingly well attended by Associate Members.
- General Meetings of Members were held on 6 December 2019 in Brisbane, and on 23 May and 17 October 2020 via video conference.

Thank you

Our work would not be possible without our volunteers, partners and supporters. Thank you.

Partners



Australian Government

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade



Support UN Youth

Donate

UN Youth Australia is run entirely by volunteers. We receive little sponsorship and have no paid staff. If paid at minimum wage, our volunteers donate almost \$3 million to educating young Australians each year.

A donation to the UN Youth Foundation lets us take this further. The UN Youth Foundation administers bursaries to ensure that students from all financial backgrounds are able participate in UN Youth Australia programs. In two short years we have already distributed scholarships to almost one-hundred young people across the country.

Your donation will allow us to continue to grow the UN Youth Foundation and to work towards our goal that no young person will be unable to participate in a UN Youth Australia program due to financial need.

Please visit: unyouth.org.au/donate

Volunteer

UN Youth Australia is run by a dynamic and talented volunteer team from across the country all aged between 16 and 25. We are always on the lookout for more people to join our team. If you're looking for a chance to take real leadership in youth education, we want to hear from you. Check out the openings on our website at unyouth.org.au/volunteer-opportunities or contact info@unyouth.org.au.

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Annual Report

For the Year Ended 31 August 2020

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Directors' Report 31 August 2020

The directors present their report on United Nations Youth Australia Limited ('the company') for the financial year ended 31 August 2020.

General information

Directors

The names of the directors in office at any time during, or since the end of, the year are:

Names	Position	Appointed/Retired
Brendan Ma	Non-executive Director	Appointed 6 December 2019
Doris Yeung	Non-executive Director	Appointed 6 December 2019
Monika Antoszezwska	Non-executive Director	Appointed 6 December 2019
Nicholas Parker	Non-executive Director	Appointed 6 December 2019
Roslyn Dalton	Non-executive Director	Appointed 6 December 2019
Stewart Jackson	Non-executive Director	Appointed 6 December 2019
Jane Kennedy	Non-executive Director	Appointed 20 January 2019
Anne Wang	Non-executive Director	Appointed 13 December 2018
Matthew Friedman	Non-executive Director	Appointed 13 December 2018
Sumanthraj Burli	Non-executive Director	Appointed 13 December 2018
Debbie Clark	Non-executive Director	Appointed 20 January 2019, retired 6 December 2019
Cormac Power	Non-executive Director	Appointed 13 December 2018, retired 6 December 2019
Anastasia Musson	Non-executive Director	Appointed 13 December 2018, retired 6 December 2019
Lisa Ping	Non-executive Director	Appointed 13 December 2018, retired 6 December 2019
Jeremy Chan	Non-executive Director	Appointed 8 December 2017, retired 6 December 2019

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

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Brendan Ma	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BCom, LLB (Hons.) (partially completed)
Experience	Brendan has volunteered with UN Youth across 4 years. He served as the Finance Director of UN Youth NSW in 2016 and 2017. Brendan also has experience across the financial services sector, as an investment banking summer analyst at Goldman Sachs and an intern at QIC. He was also the Treasurer of the Financial Management Association of Australia, Sydney Branch. Brendan has also worked as a paralegal at Herbert Smith Freehills and completed an internship in the United States Senate.
Special Responsibilities	Member of the Finance and Audit Committee Member of the Ethics Committee
Doris Yeung	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BCom, GradDipCA
Experience	Doris is currently a Senior Associate at PwC, within the financial services assurance practice. Her portfolio ranges from start-up entities to listed companies, where she specializes in providing her clients with comfort over their financial reports and overall governance, risks and controls. Prior to joining the UN Youth, Doris' main NFP experience consists of being the President of TEDxUniMelb for two years, where she led the team to organize TEDx Talks and curated educational content for workshops.
Special Responsibilities	Member of the Finance and Audit Committee
Monika Antoszewska	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BA, MHR&ER
Experience	Monika is currently a consultant within Deloitte Consulting's Human Capital Division. Monika specialises in supporting organisational transformations, with a focus on change management, leadership capability, and organisational development. Monika's NFP experience comes from many organisational development related projects as part of completing her Masters in Human Resources & Employment Relations, as well as leading projects for 180 Degrees Consulting WA.
Special Responsibilities	Member of the Human Resources Committee Member of the Welfare Committee
Nicholas Parker	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BA (partially completed), LLB (partially completed)
Experience	Nicholas has undertaken a variety of roles within UN Youth, having been Secretary for UN Youth NSW in 2018, and Company Secretary for UN Youth Australia in late 2019
Special Responsibilities	Chair of the Welfare Committee Member of the Finance and Audit Committee

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Roslyn Dalton	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BSc, BA, LLM
Experience	Since 2015 Roslyn has held various roles within UN Youth, including the position of Queensland Education Director in 2016. Roslyn is also a current Officer within the Queensland Rural Fire Service and has served as a President, Chair and Secretary for various University of Queensland student societies. She has analytical experience from extended internships within the mining industry, and currently works as a strategy consultant in the private sector.
Special Responsibilities	Member of the Finance and Audit Committee Chair of the Ethics Committee
Stewart Jackson	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BA (partially completed), BBus (partially completed)
Experience	Stewart first participated in UN Youth events in 2015 and volunteered from 2017. He has served as Director of Operations for UN Youth Tasmania and has been involved in UN Youth Australia's major programs. Outside of UN Youth, he works at a superannuation fund and is completing a combined Bachelor of Arts (Politics and Policy) and Bachelor of Business (Accounting).
Special Responsibilities	Chair of the Human Resources Committee Member of the Finance and Audit Committee
Jane Kennedy	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BIntDev, GCHH, MPH (partially completed)
Experience	Jane joined UN Youth Australia as an Independent Board Director in 2019. She has experience in the international development and youth empowerment sectors with organisations such as the Australian Medical Students Association, the Jane Goodall Institute, World Vision, and the United Nations Population Fund of Indonesia. Currently, Jane is the Timor-Leste Partnerships Manager at Oaktree and Immunisation Program Support for the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre.
Special Responsibilities	Member of the Welfare Committee Former member of the Human Resources Committee
Anne Wang	Non-executive Chair until 8 December 2019, Non-executive Director thereafter
Qualifications	BA, LLB (Hons.), GDLP (partially completed)
Experience	Anne has volunteered with UN Youth since 2014. She served on the National Executive in the roles of Chief Domestic Operations Officer and Chief Education Officer, and was the Operations Director of UN Youth NSW. External to UN Youth, she has experience working as a government policy officer, a paralegal at a major Australian law firm, and an associate to an international arbitrator.
Special Responsibilities	Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee

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Matthew Friedman	Non-executive Director until 8 December 2019, Non-executive Chair thereafter
Qualifications	BA (partially complete), BEcon (partially complete)
Experience	Prior to being elected to the Board, Matt held the roles of Secretary and Human Resources Director for UN Youth NSW, and later the position of Chief Human Resources Officer UN Youth Australia. He has otherwise volunteered extensively within the organisation, including deputy convening two international activities. Matt is also the founder of 2 Birds 1 Bee, a sex and relationships education business that works with young people, parents and relevant organisations.
Special Responsibilities	Former Chair of the Welfare Committee Former member of the HR Committee
Sumanthraj Burli	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BAV, BBus, MSAViation (partially completed)
Experience	Raj has volunteered for UN Youth since 2016. He has helped convene two international activities and was the Vice President of UN Youth Victoria in 2018. External to UN Youth, Raj has experience working with Global Citizen, International Air Transport Authority and Swinburne University in various capacities. He is currently undertaking a Master of Science in Aviation and is the Global Ambassador for Digital Peace Now.
Special Responsibilities	Former chair/member of the Ethics Committee Member of the Human Resources Committee
Debbie Clark	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	LLB (Hons.) (partially completed), BCom (partially completed)
Experience	Debbie has volunteered with UN Youth Australia for five years. She has worked in various capacities in the Victorian division. She also served on the National Executive as the Chief Financial Officer prior to being elected to the Board.
Special Responsibilities	Former member of the Finance and Audit Committee Former member of the Welfare Committee
Cormac Power	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BA (Hons.)
Experience	Cormac has volunteered with UN Youth for four years. He was previously the Education Director of UN Youth WA and was one of the convenors of the Young Diplomats Tour 2019. External to UN Youth, he has also served on the National Executive of the Australia-China Youth Association.
Special Responsibilities	Former Chair of the Human Resources Committee

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Anastasia Musson	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BCom and BA
Experience	Ana has 3 years' experience working at Ernst & Young (Tax & Legal, Financial Services) and currently works as a management consultant at Monitor Deloitte, specialising in strategy. She also has experience as the Chief Financial Officer of 180 Degrees Consulting, the largest pro-bono volunteering consultancy in the world.
Special Responsibilities	Former member of the Finance and Audit Committee Former member of the Ethics Committee
Lisa Ping	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	DipFinPlan, GradDipBA, BComm (ProfComm), MBA (partially completed)
Experience	Lisa has experience looking after finance for the Asia-Pacific region at Amazon. Prior to joining Amazon, she was working in the banking sector at Commonwealth Bank. She also has extensive experience in the not-for-profit sector, through her work with Amnesty International and as a National Events, Community Engagement and Partnerships intern at Oxfam.
Special Responsibilities	Former member of the Finance and Audit Committee Former member of the Ethics Committee
Jeremy Chan	Non-executive Director
Qualifications	BEcon (Hons.), LLB (partially completed)
Experience	Jeremy held the role of Chief Financial Officer at UN Youth Australia for 18 months before being elected to the Board in 2017. Prior to his work as CFO, he worked in the legal sector, specialising in IP and commercial litigation, before moving to the Economic Group at the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission. In terms of not-for-profit experience, Jeremy served as Treasurer of the Sydney University Law Society in 2018 before being elected as President in 2019, and is the Founder of Square One Skills, a not-for-profit focused on improving financial and digital literacy skills in Australia.
Special Responsibilities	Former Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee

Company secretary

The following people held the position of Company secretary at the end of the financial year:

Nicholas Parker (LLB (partially completed), BA (partially completed)) was the Company secretary until 6 December 2019. Prior to this role, Nicholas had served as the Secretary of UN Youth New South Wales.

Sabrina Berardinelli (BA (partially completed)) was the Company secretary from 31 December 2019 until her resignation on 1 February 2020. Prior to this role, Sabrina was the Secretary for Women in Commerce at the University of Melbourne.

Rhianna Schwenke (BEconFin (partially completed)) has been the Company secretary since 11 April 2020. Prior to this role, Rhianna has previous volunteer experience as a Corporate Mentor to disadvantaged students for the Australian Business and Corporate Network, as a Classroom Assistant assisting with Sports & STEM subjects. Through her work at PricewaterhouseCoopers where she works in Financial Services Assurance she also engages in social impact as a member of the firm's Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group, Environmental Group, and Social Impact Champion Network.

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Principal activities and significant changes in nature of activities

The principal activities of United Nations Youth Australia Limited during the financial year were:

- Two domestic activities. Namely, the Evatt National Finals ,which were held in Brisbane in December 2019, and the Voice National Finals which were held online in April 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, National Conference 2020 ,which was scheduled to be held in Sydney, was postponed until 2021.
- Three international activities. Namely, the Young Diplomats Tour ('YDT') to Europe; the American Political Tour ('APT') to the United States of America; and the Middle East Experience ('MEE') to Jordan and Israel. These three tours all ran for two to four weeks between the end of December 2019 and middle of February 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the three scheduled July 2020 International Activities were cancelled.
- The Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations program, which is run annually in conjunction with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The 2019 program wrapped up in February 2020 and the bulk of the 2020 program was postponed until 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

There were no other significant changes in the nature of United Nations Youth Australia Limited's principal activities during the financial year.

Short term objectives

The Company's short term objectives are to

- promote the aims of the United Nations Charter and to support the United Nations in achieving those aims;
- promote respect for and awareness of universal human rights;
- provide young people with the skills and opportunities to realise their full potential as decision makers;
- facilitate discussion and debate throughout the community on issues of global significance;
- support the Members in the Company's shared and continuing mission to open young eyes to the world; and
- foster a membership of committed volunteers who act on the basis of goodwill, giving shape and hope to our future.

Long term objectives

The Company's long term objectives are to

- instill in every young Australian a deeper understanding of global issues and the work of the United Nations; and
- empower young people at every level of decision-making.

Strategy for achieving the objectives

To achieve these objectives, the Company during this financial year has consulted organisation-wide to develop the 2021-2023 Strategic Plan, which is built upon three columns:

1. Strengthening our Core: building capacity in our core operational areas of finance, human resources, communications and welfare, and aligning our functions to drive results in the key outcomes of education, advocacy, and leadership development
2. Increasing Diversity: encouraging the recruitment and retention of underrepresented groups, particularly low SES and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.
3. Improving ways of working: improving our processes, governance and technology systems to improve supportive working relationships within the Company and between UN Youth Australia and its members.

Performance measures

The following measures are used within the Company to monitor performance:

- Total revenue compared to the total cost of all events and total operating costs;
- Feedback forms following events; and
- Informal volunteer feedback mechanisms.

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Members' guarantee

United Nations Youth Australia Limited is a Company limited by guarantee. In the event of, and for the purpose of winding up of the Company, the amount capable of being called up from each member and any person or association who ceased to be a member in the year prior to the winding up, is limited to \$ 20 for members that are corporations and \$ 20 for all other members, subject to the provisions of the Company's constitution.

At 31 August 2020 the collective liability of members was \$ 59,200 (2019: \$ 61,200).

Meetings of directors

During the financial year, 18 meetings of directors were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:

	Directors' Meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Brendan Ma	14	13
Doris Yeung	14	12
Monika Antoszezwska	14	14
Nicholas Parker	14	12
Roslyn Dalton	14	14
Stewart Jackson	14	12
Jane Kennedy	18	15
Anne Wang	18	18
Matthew Friedman	18	18
Sumanthraj Burli	18	15
Debbie Clark	4	3
Cormac Power	4	4
Anastasia Musson	4	2
Lisa Ping	4	4
Jeremy Chan	4	4

The Company has four standing committees, namely: the Welfare Committee, the Finance & Audit Committee, the Ethics Committee and the Human Resources Committee. During the financial year each of the committees met as follows.

- The Welfare Committee met 1 time between 1 September 2019 and 31 December 2019 and 4 times between 1 January 2020 and 31 August 2020,
- The Finance and Audit Committee met 0 times between 1 September 2019 and 31 December 2019 and 4 times between 1 January 2020 and 31 August 2020,
- The Ethics Committee met 2 times between 1 September 2019 and 31 December 2019 and 4 times between 1 January 2020 and 31 August 2020, and
- The Human Resources Committee met 0 times between 1 September 2019 and 31 December 2019 and 4 times between 1 January 2020 and 31 August 2020.

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Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors


The Company indemnifies current and former officers, to the fullest extent permitted by law, against a liability incurred by that person as an officer of the Company. During the 2020 financial year, the Company has paid premiums in respect of contracts to insure all directors and officers of United Nations Youth Australia Ltd against certain liabilities incurred in that capacity.

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an auditor of United Nations Youth Australia Limited.

Auditor's independence declaration

The auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 60-40 of the Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 has been received and can be found on page 9 of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

Director: 

Director: 

Dated this 23rd day of November 2020

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Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 60-40 of the Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 to the Responsible Persons of United Nations Youth Australia Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 August 2020, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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Nicole Postan
Director

Date 24 November 2020

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 31 August 2020

		2020	1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
	Note	\$	\$
Revenue	5	514,007	710,919
Finance (expense)/ income	6	(5,080)	4,711
Other income	5	94,264	78,888
Events Expenses	7	(493,216)	(639,903)
National Operating Expenses		(37,894)	(21,172)
Surplus / (Deficit) before income tax		72,081	133,443
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) for the period / year		72,081	133,443
Other comprehensive income, net of income tax			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		-	-
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss when specific conditions are met		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		72,081	133,443

The Company has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

Included in National Operating Expenses is an amount of \$38,492 relating to accounting errors from the prior year that had to be corrected in the current year. Controls are being implemented to ensure this does not happen again.

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Statement of Financial Position As At 31 August 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	241,494	249,698
Trade and other receivables	9	76,041	305,139
Other assets	11	3,470	45,540
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		321,005	600,377
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Other financial assets	10	116,480	121,560
Other assets	11	12,348	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		128,828	121,560
TOTAL ASSETS		449,833	721,937
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	12	25,300	4,846
Other financial liabilities	13	34,102	405,910
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		59,402	410,756
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other financial liabilities	13	7,169	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		7,169	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		66,571	410,756
NET ASSETS		383,262	311,181
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		383,262	311,181
TOTAL EQUITY		383,262	311,181

The Company has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 31 August 2020

2020

	Note	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 September 2019		311,181	311,181
Surplus for the year		72,081	72,081
Balance at 31 August 2020		383,262	383,262

2019

	Note	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 November 2018		177,738	177,738
Surplus for the year		133,443	133,443
Balance at 31 August 2019		311,181	311,181

The Company has initially applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations.

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Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 31 August 2020

		1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
Note	2020 \$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from customers	435,026	603,342
Payments to suppliers	(472,960)	(472,965)
Donations received	29,707	4,364
Interest received	23	140
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	18 (8,204)	134,881
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of financial assets	-	(116,849)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	-	(116,849)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	(8,204)	18,032
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	249,698	231,666
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	8 241,494	249,698

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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The financial report covers United Nations Youth Australia Limited as an individual entity. United Nations Youth Australia Limited is a not-for-profit Company, registered and domiciled in Australia.

The functional and presentation currency of United Nations Youth Australia Limited is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1 Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

2 Change in Accounting Policy

Revenue from Contracts with Customers - Adoption of AASB 15

The Company has adopted AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities for the first time in the current year with a date of initial application of 1 September 2019.

The Company has applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method which means the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations. Any adjustments on adoption of AASB 15 and AASB 1058 would have been taken to retained earnings at 1 September 2019. There were no adjustments required.

3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

For comparative year

Revenue is recognised when the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Company and specific criteria relating to the type of revenue as noted below, has been satisfied.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is presented net of returns, discounts and rebates.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers

For current year

The core principle of AASB 15 is that revenue is recognised on a basis that reflects the transfer of promised goods or services to customers at an amount that reflects the consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Revenue is recognised by applying a five-step model as follows:

1. Identify the contract with the customer
2. Identify the performance obligations
3. Determine the transaction price
4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations
5. Recognise revenue as and when control of the performance obligations is transferred

Generally the timing of the payment for sale of goods and rendering of services corresponds closely to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations, however where there is a difference, it will result in the recognition of a receivable, contract asset or contract liability.

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Company is entitled to it.

(b) Income Tax

The Company is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(c) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(d) Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Classification

On initial recognition, the Company classifies its financial assets into the following categories, those measured at:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit or loss - FVTPL
- fair value through other comprehensive income - equity instrument (FVOCI - equity)
- fair value through other comprehensive income - debt investments (FVOCI - debt)

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Company changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Amortised cost

Assets measured at amortised cost are financial assets where:

- the business model is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The Company's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment.

Interest income, foreign exchange gains or losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(d) Financial instruments

Financial assets

Fair value through other comprehensive income

Equity instruments

The Company has a number of strategic investments in listed and unlisted entities over which it does not have significant influence or control. The Company has made an irrevocable election to classify these equity investments as fair value through other comprehensive income as they are not held for trading purposes.

These investments are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income (financial asset reserve). On disposal any balance in the financial asset reserve is transferred to retained earnings and is not reclassified to profit or loss.

Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI.

Financial assets through profit or loss

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income as described above are measured at FVTPL.

Impairment of financial assets

Impairment of financial assets is recognised on an expected credit loss (ECL) basis for the following assets:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost
- debt investments measured at FVOCI

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial assets has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECL, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment and includes forward looking information.

The Company uses the presumption that an asset which is more than 30 days past due has seen a significant increase in credit risk.

The Company uses the presumption that a financial asset is in default when:

- the other party is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Company in full, without recourse to the Company to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(d) Financial instruments

Financial assets

Credit losses are measured as the present value of the difference between the cash flows due to the Company in accordance with the contract and the cash flows expected to be received. This is applied using a probability weighted approach.

Trade receivables

Refer to Note 9(a) for the accounting policy regarding impairment of trade receivables.

Other financial assets measured at amortised cost

Impairment of other financial assets measured at amortised cost are determined using the expected credit loss model in AASB 9. On initial recognition of the asset, an estimate of the expected credit losses for the next 12 months is recognised. Where the asset has experienced significant increase in credit risk then the lifetime losses are estimated and recognised.

Financial liabilities

The Company measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

The financial liabilities of the Company comprise trade payables, bank and other loans and lease liabilities.

(e) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the Company determines whether there is an evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

Where an indicator exists and regardless for indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

(g) Leases

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all of the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

(h) Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Company has adopted all standards which became effective for the first time at 31 August 2020, the adoption of these standards has not caused any material adjustments to the reported financial position, performance or cash flow of the Company, refer to Note 2 for details of the changes due to standards adopted.

(i) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations

The AASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The Company has decided not to early adopt these Standards.

4 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

Those charged with governance make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

Key estimates - receivables

The receivables at reporting date have been reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that any of the receivables are impaired. An impairment provision is included for any receivable where the entire balance is not considered collectible. The impairment provision is based on the best information at the reporting date.

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5 Revenue and Other Income

Revenue from continuing operations

	2020	1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
	\$	\$
International Activities		
American Political Tour	129,260	(1,382)
Aotearoa Leadership Tour	-	39,518
Emerging Leaders Program	-	88,643
Middle East Experience	149,784	(1,545)
New Zealand Model United Nations Tour	-	24,813
Timor-Leste Project	-	82,205
Young Diplomats Tour	124,929	121,164
National Activities		
Evatt Nationals Final	78,719	95,050
National Conference	869	132,512
Voice National Finals	2,762	70,741
Other Key Activities		
National Councils	14,287	27,453
Summit Levy Revenue	(11,647)	14,788
Youth Representative Program -grants and donations	25,044	16,959
Total Revenue	514,007	710,919

Other Income

	2020	1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
	\$	\$
Other Income		
- Other Income	59,615	74,524
- Grant Income	4,942	-
- Donations Received	29,707	4,364
	94,264	78,888
Total Revenue and Other Income	608,271	789,807

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6 Finance Income and Expenses

Finance (expense) / income

	2020	1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
	\$	\$
- Relating to investments held at FVTPL	(5,080)	4,711
Total finance (expense)/ income	(5,080)	4,711

7 Result for the year

The result for the year includes the following specific expenses:

	2020	1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
	\$	\$
Expected Credit Impairment Loss	(30,518)	-
Events expenses		
International Activities		
American Political Tour	112,881	-
Aotearoa Leadership Tour	578	32,029
Emerging Leaders Program	(1,003)	80,693
Middle East Experience	135,892	-
New Zealand Model United Nations Tour	(759)	18,291
Timor-Leste Project	-	70,523
Young Diplomats Tour	113,306	116,679
National Activities		
Evatt National Finals	80,552	84,975
National Conference	1,047	112,685
Voice National Finals	3,167	65,824
Other Key Activities		
National Councils	20,994	35,868
ASEAN Summit	5,185	-
Youth Representative Program	21,376	22,336
	493,216	639,903

8 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	241,494	249,698
	241,494	249,698

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9 Trade and other receivables

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	87,930	360,737
Expected credit loss provision	(11,889)	(55,598)
Total current trade and other receivables	76,041	305,139

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable in the financial statements.

(a) Expected credit loss provision

The Company applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses prescribed by AASB 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all trade receivables. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

The following are changes to the estimation techniques or significant assumptions made during the current reporting period:

- Further disaggregation based on their shared credit risk characteristics
- Greater use of historical and forward looking information in estimating expected credit loss

The Company writes off a trade receivable when there is information indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, e.g. when the debtor has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings or when the trade receivables passes the statute of limitations in the respective jurisdiction, whichever occurs first.

10 Other Financial Assets

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
NON-CURRENT		
Other financial assets	116,480	121,560
	116,480	121,560

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11 Other Assets

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	3,470	45,540
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
NON-CURRENT		
Prepayments	12,348	-

The Company has initially applied AASB 15 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118 and related interpretations.

12 Trade and Other Payables

	Note	2020	2019
		\$	\$
CURRENT			
Trade payables		14,693	20
GST payable		1,355	2,876
Accrued expenses and sundry payables		9,252	1,950
		25,300	4,846

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

13 Other Financial Liabilities

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Government grants	8,000	-
Deferred income	26,102	405,910
Total	34,102	405,910
	2020	2019
	\$	\$
NON-CURRENT		
Deferred income	7,169	-

The Company has initially applied AASB 15 using the cumulative effect method and has not restated comparatives. The comparatives have been prepared using AASB 111, AASB 118 and related interpretations.

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14 Members' Guarantee

The Company is incorporated under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and is a Company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$ 20 each towards meeting any outstandings and obligations of the Company. At 31 August 2020 the number of members was 2,960 being 8 ordinary members and approximately 2952 associate members (2019: 3,068).

15 Auditors' Remuneration

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Remuneration of the auditor for: auditing or reviewing the financial statements	2,300	1,950

16 Contingencies

In the opinion of those charged with governance, the Company did not have any contingencies at 31 August 2020 (31 August 2019 :None).

17 Related Parties

(a) Transactions with related parties

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

	Transactions
	\$
Related parties	
UN Youth ACT	2,656
UN Youth New South Wales	27,328
UN Youth Northern Territory	2,997
UN Youth Queensland	16,169
UN Youth South Australia	9,532
UN Youth Tasmania	8,490
UN Youth Victoria	24,239
UN Youth Western Australia	9,253
United Nations Association of Australia	1,650
Kareem El-Ansary	12,500
Lucy Stronach	1,000
	<u>115,814</u>

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18 Cash Flow Information

(a) Reconciliation of result for the year to cashflows from operating activities

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

	2020	1 November 2018 to 31 August 2019
	\$	\$
Total Comprehensive income for the year	72,081	133,443
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
- fair value movement on investments	5,080	(4,711)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	229,098	(181,961)
- (increase)/decrease in prepayments	29,722	88,355
- increase/(decrease) in income in advance	(364,639)	-
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	20,454	99,755
Cashflows from operations	<u>(8,204)</u>	<u>134,881</u>

19 Events after the end of the Reporting Period

Late in 2019 news first emerged from China about the COVID-19 (Coronavirus). In the first few months of 2020 the virus had spread globally and its negative impact gained momentum. The World Health Organisation declared it a worldwide pandemic. While this is still an evolving situation at the time of issuing these financial statements, it appears that the negative impact on the global economy and the Company may be more severe than originally expected. As the Company's events have been postponed, there is a considerable decline in revenue. The management are constantly monitoring the situation.

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

20 Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of business of the company is:

United Nations Youth Australia Limited
Suite 206, Griffin Centre
20 Genge Street
Canberra ACT 2601

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Responsible Persons' Declaration

The responsible persons declare that in the responsible persons' opinion:

- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and
- the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013*.

Responsible person  Responsible person 

Dated 23 November 2020

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Independent Auditor's Review Report to the members of United Nations Youth Australia Limited

Report on the Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying financial report of United Nations Youth Australia Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 August 2020, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the responsible persons' declaration.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act) and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2415 Review of a Financial Report: Company Limited by Guarantee or an Entity Reporting under the ACNC Act or Other Applicable Legislation or Regulation, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial report does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the ACNC Act including: giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 August 2020 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and complying with the Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 (ACNC Regulation). ASRE 2415 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the review of the financial report.

A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

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Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial report of United Nations Youth Australia Limited does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 August 2020 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.

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Nicole Postan

Nicole Postan
Director

Dated this.....24th.....day of.....November.....2020

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