



INTERNATIONAL  
**YEAR OF  
YOUTH**  
AUGUST 2010-2011  
OUR YEAR OUR VOICE



## **Logo Use Guidelines and Waiver of Liability Form**

The logo and campaign material has been designed and developed by the Graphic Design Unit at the United Nations in New York.

The Graphic Design Unit is part of the Outreach Division at the Department of Public Information.

The slogan "Our Year. Our Voice." was developed based on a public consultation with young people.



The International Year of Youth logo depicts a planet filled with colourful speech bubbles. The speech bubbles and the sense of community they convey symbolize the theme of the International Year of Youth: “Dialogue and Mutual Understanding”. The logo illustrates that the entire world can get involved in the International Year of Youth and can promote dialogue and mutual understanding. The words “International Year of Youth” appear below the logo together with date of the Year (August 2010 – 2011) and the slogan for the Year “Our Year. Our Voice”.

The International Year of Youth logo is available in the six official United Nations languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. Youth organizations and other stakeholders are encouraged to translate the text into local languages. However, the entities translating the text into local languages shall state clearly that they are solely responsible for the accuracy of the translation and they should further agree and acknowledge that the United Nations shall not assume any responsibility or liability arising from the translated text.

Non-UN organizations using the logo during events or activities organized for the International Year of Youth (IYY) will use the IYY logo in conjunction with their organizational logos subject to the following conditions:

## I. USE OF THE LOGO BY ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

Organizations of the United Nations system may use the International Year of Youth logo without obtaining prior approval from the UN Programme on Youth. However, for reporting purposes, the UN Programme on Youth should be informed of events and informational materials for which the logo is used. The logo may also be used for publications that the UN may produce in connection with the IYY, including, inter alia, posters, brochures, books, videos, flash and powerpoint presentations, banners, illustrations, and animations.

## II. USE OF THE LOGO BY NON-UN ENTITIES

Entities outside the UN system may also use the logo after obtaining approval from the UN Programme on Youth in accordance with the requirements outlined below.

The logo of the International Year of Youth is primarily intended for two kinds of promotional use:

a) information and b) fundraising, as outlined below:

### a) Information uses of the logo

Information uses of the logo are those which are:

- Primarily illustrative; and
- Not intended to raise funds.

The International Year of Youth logo should be used only in its entirety. Moreover, it should not be used alone, but should be displayed side by side with the logo of the entity. The logo of the entity should be given preeminence vis-à-vis the IYY logo. The authorization would be limited to the use of the IYY logo, and the United Nations emblem cannot be used by the entity.

The authorization to use the International Year of Youth logo does not permit the user of the logo to sub-license or to further authorize the use of the logo to any other entities. Therefore, any non-UN entity interested in using the International Year of Youth logo must apply for approval directly from the UN Programme of Youth.

All entities interested in using the International Year of Youth logo for information purposes must apply for approval to the UN Programme on Youth. When requesting approval, the entities should provide:

- A short statement of identity (nature of the entity and its objectives);
- An explanation of how and where the logo will be used, including the names of countries/territories where the logo will be used.

Before the logo is used for information purposes, a waiver of liability (please see the text below) must be signed by the entity requesting to use the logo.

### **b) Fundraising uses of the logo**

Fundraising uses of the logo are those intended to raise resources to cover costs of activities in support of the International Year of Youth, to be organized in 2010-2011. All entities interested in using the International Year of Youth logo for fundraising purposes must apply for approval to the UN Programme on Youth. When requesting permission to use the logo for fundraising purposes, the entities must provide:

- A short statement of identity (nature of the entity and its objectives);
- An explanation of how, when and where the logo will be used;
- An explanation of how, when and where the fundraising will take place;
- A summary budget; and
- An explanation of how the proceeds would be allocated to cover costs of activities in support of the International Year of Youth, including any proposed contributions that the entity would make to the United Nations and/or to local, national or international organizations in support of the International Year of Youth.

The International Year of Youth logo should be used only in its entirety. Moreover, the International Year of Youth logo should not be used alone, but should be displayed side by side with the logo of the entity. The logo of the entity should be given pre-eminence vis-à-vis the IYY logo. The authorization would be limited to the use of the IYY logo, and the United Nations emblem cannot be used by the entity.

The authorization to use the International Year of Youth logo does not permit the user of the logo to sub-license or to further authorize the use of the logo to any other entities. Therefore, any non-UN entity interested in using the International Year of Youth logo must apply for approval directly from the UN Programme of Youth.

Before the logo is used for fundraising purposes, a waiver of liability (please see the text below) must be signed by the entity requesting to use the logo.

### **c) Length of use of logo**

The International Year of Youth logo may be used until early 2012. This period includes the preparation phase in 2010 for the International Year of Youth, the celebration of the International Year of Youth from 12 August 2010 to 11 August 2011, and any subsequent reporting in 2011 and early 2012. The logo may be used beyond early 2012 in reference publications about the International Year of Youth.

### III. LIABILITY

All entities authorized to use the International Year of Youth logo for the purposes specified herein must agree to the following provisions on waiver of liability:

- The entity is responsible for ensuring that the activities are carried out in accordance with the applicable law and for ensuring that the appropriate insurance is maintained to cover the risks arising out of such activities;
- The United Nations does not assume any responsibility for the activities of the entity; and
- The entity shall hold harmless and defend the United Nations and its officials against any action that may be brought against the United Nations or its officials as a result of the use of the logo by the entity.

The waiver of liability form must be signed by the entity authorized to use the logo. All duly signed waiver-of-liability forms must be received by the UN Programme on Youth before the proposed activities involving the use of the logo are carried out.

### IV. DISCLAIMER

- The International Year of Youth logo is property of the United Nations and the United Nations owns all rights to its use.
- The International Year of Youth logo can only be used to identify events and activities related to the International Year of Youth.
- The International Year of Youth logo may only be used after a signed Waiver of Liability for the Use of the Logo of the International Year of Youth has been received by the UN Programme on Youth.
- By using the International Year of Youth logo, the entity agrees to provide information to the UN Programme on Youth on the events or activities for which it is used. This information will be used for reporting purposes on the International Year of Youth.
- The authorization to use the International Year of Youth logo or the publication of an event organized by an outside entity on the UN website, <http://social.un.org/iyyevents>, does not imply United Nations' endorsement of the planned activities or the outside entity.
- The International Year of Youth logo may not be reproduced for the purpose of self promotion, or obtaining any commercial or personal financial gain, nor may it be used in any manner which implies United Nations endorsement of the products, services or activities of a commercial enterprise.
- If an entity wishes to use the International Year of Youth logo for fundraising, it should send a proposal to the UN Programme on Youth ([youth@un.org](mailto:youth@un.org)).
- The United Nations shall not assume any responsibility for the accuracy of the translation of the text of the logo into non-UN official languages, and the foregoing disclaimer must be included in the translation.
- Please give credit to the United Nations when using the International Year of Youth logo.

#### **Please send Inquiries to:**

UN Programme on Youth, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), United Nations Secretariat, 13th Floor, 2 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017, USA. Fax: +1 212 963 0111, email: [youth@un.org](mailto:youth@un.org)

**WAIVER OF LIABILITY FOR THE USE OF THE LOGO OF “THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF YOUTH”**

The undersigned acknowledges that, in using the logo for the International Year of Youth as explained in its submission dated \_\_\_\_\_ to the UN Programme on Youth:

- a. The undersigned is responsible for ensuring that the activities are carried out in accordance with the applicable law and for ensuring that the appropriate insurance is maintained to cover the risks arising out of such activities;
- b. The United Nations does not assume any responsibility for the activities of the undersigned; and
- c. The entity shall hold harmless and defend the United Nations and its officials against any action that may be brought against the United Nations or its officials as a result of the use of the logo.
- d. If the entity translates the text of the logo into non-UN official languages, the entity shall state clearly that it takes sole responsibility for the accuracy of the translation. The United Nations does not assume any responsibility or liability arising from the translated text.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name (block letters) \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation (block letters) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please send the signed form to:

UN Programme on Youth, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), United Nations Secretariat, 13th Floor, 2 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017, USA. Fax: +1 212 963 0111, email: [youth@un.org](mailto:youth@un.org)



All elements have been carefully combined so the logo, in its entirety or in the following derivatives, can be used as an effective tool to communicate the ideas and values of the brand. For consistency, the logo must always comply with this Brand Guideline.



Logo - PRIMARY Vertical FORMAT



Logo - SECONDARY Vertical FORMAT



Logo - PRIMARY Horizontal FORMAT



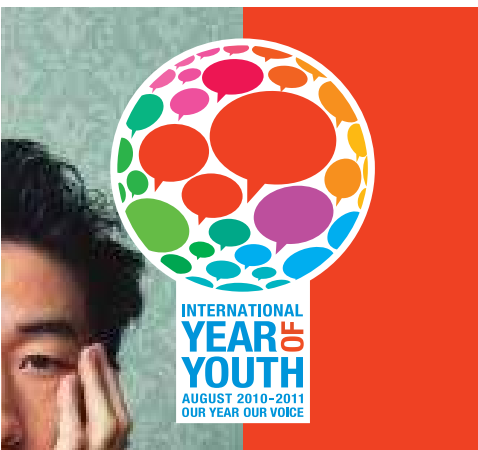
Logo - SECONDARY Horizontal FORMAT



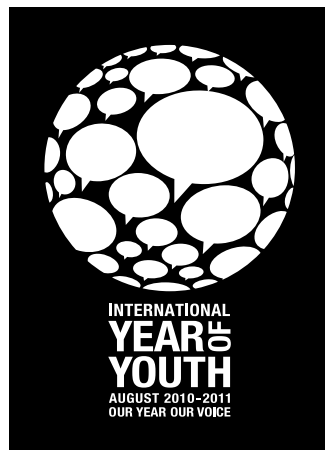
**Logo**  
4 colour process (CMYK)



**Logo**  
Black and White PROCESS



**Logo - (CMYK)**  
APPLIED ON A BACKGROUND/IMAGE



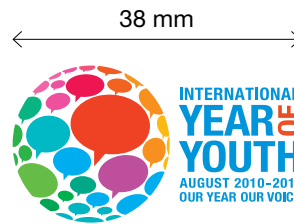
**Logo**  
BLACK AND WHITE REVERSED





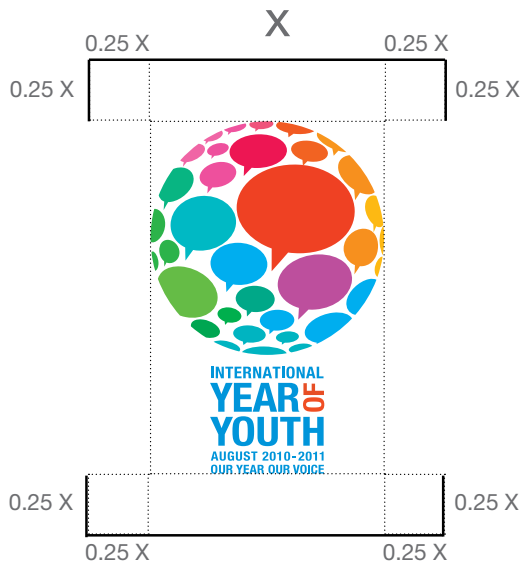
**Logo primary format**

minimum size  
(Height not less than 49mm)



**Logo Secondary format**

minimum size  
(Width not less than 38mm)



Always maintain the minimum clear space around the Logo to preserve its integrity. To maintain visual clarity and to provide maximum impact, the Logo must never appear to be linked to or crowded by copy, photographs or graphic elements. The minimum clear space must never differ proportionally from the diagrams demonstrated on this page. The clear space for the primary Logo is X, where x = width.



Do not distort the shape



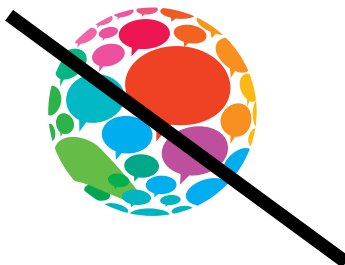
Do not change the colour of the Logo



Do not change the opacity of the Logo



Do not rearrange elements of the Logo



Do not use the symbol alone



Do not flip the Logo



INCORRECT



FIG.1 CORRECT



INCORRECT



FIG.2 CORRECT



INCORRECT  
(Dark Background)



CORRECT



INCORRECT  
(Do not use the B/W Logo on a gradient)



INCORRECT  
(Do not use the Logo on a gradient)

These examples show how the Logo should not be used on backgrounds and images where visibility is compromised by tones or gradients. Note that, although the black Logo may be visible on many mid-range or textured backgrounds, it is preferred that white be used in those cases. On the occasions where the logo is not visible use a white frame as shown in figures 1 and 2.