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Agenda

Global Learning Forum
2-6 February 2026



Monday, 2 February

Sessions

Adolescent-specific
sessions

Evening events

Arrival, Connection & Shared Stories

Time	Session / Event	Aim	Location
8:00	Meet in Accra City Hotel lobby for travel to Ho	Ensure safe arrival of participants and set a shared starting point for the Forum journey.	Accra – Ho
12:00 – 13:00	Session 1: Welcome Circle	Set a shared foundation for the Global Learning Forum through an overview of HCA-II and a collective reflection on how we will learn and work together.	Main Plenary Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch & Networking	Time for informal networking and cross-country connections.	Lunchroom / Outdoor Balcony Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
14:00 – 15:00	Marketplace & Learning Wall setup	Create a shared marketplace showcasing projects, city contexts and cultures, and introduce the Learning Wall as a living reflection tool.	Marketplace Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
15:00 – 16:00	Session 2: My City, My Story	Build connections through storytelling and peer exchange, centring adolescent perspectives on city realities.	Main Plenary and Breakout Rooms Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
16:00 – 16:30	Tea Break or time for Home Check-ins (Ecuador and Colombia, 11:00-11:30 ECT/COT)	Enable Ecuador and Colombia representatives to gather early reflections and inputs from peers back home to inform upcoming GLF sessions, while others take a short break.	Marketplace / elsewhere! Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
16:30 – 17:00	End-of-day reflection	Reflect on key insights and experiences from the first day.	Main Plenary Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
17:00 – 18:30	Free time		Free time Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
18:30 – 21:00	Cultural Evening	An evening to wear or show something from your home culture, enjoy dinner together, and stay afterwards to share and teach cultural games.	Dining Room and Lounges Volta Serene Hotel, Ho

Tuesday, 3 February



Skills & Adolescent-Friendly Cities

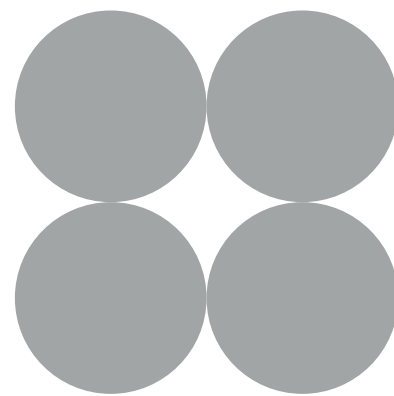
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07:00 – 08:30	Breakfast and free time		Breakfast Room and Lounges Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
08:15 – 08:45	Home Check-Ins (India, 13:45–14:15 IST; Vietnam, 15:15–15:45 ICT, Ghana and Senegal, 08:15–08:45 GMT)	Focused check-in session where representatives from India, Vietnam, Ghana and Senegal connect with peers back home to gather insights that will inform upcoming GLF sessions, while others take a short break in the Marketplace.	Marketplace / elsewhere! Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
08:45 – 09:00	Daily introduction and warm up	A brief overview of the day's agenda and a short activity to energize participants.	Main Plenary
09:00 – 11:30	Session 3: Skills in Action	Share and reflect on skills adolescents have developed through projects and how these skills contribute to change. <i>Adolescent representatives from all projects present their experiences. All representatives will engage in cross-country discussions on the application of skills, skills development, and future growth.</i>	Main Plenary and Breakout Rooms Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
11:30 – 11:50	Tea Break	Time for a break with snacks and time to prepare for the next session.	Marketplace Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
11:50 – 13:00	Session 4: Our Cities, Our Spaces – Adolescent-Friendly Environments and Services	Explore approaches to creating safer, healthier and more inclusive urban spaces and services for adolescents. <i>Adolescent and adult representatives from Vivo Mi Calle (Colombia), and Fort Pour Le Futur (Senegal) will share how they have made city spaces more adolescent-friendly. All project representatives will take part in cross-country discussions to share and learn.</i>	Main Plenary Volta Serene Hotel, Ho

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13:00 – 14:00	Lunch & Networking	Enable informal networking and peer exchange.	Lunch Room / Outdoor Balcony Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
14:00 – 14:30	Travel to Ho Youth Park		Travelling
14:30 – 16:00	Session 5: Field Visit to Ho Youth Park	Learn from the youth-led creation of the Ho Youth Park through a session led by Young and Safe (Ghana) , exploring the space alongside local stakeholders to deepen understanding of adolescent-friendly urban development.	Ho Youth Park, Ho
16:00 – 16:30	End-of-day reflection	Capture key learnings from the field visit and connect them to broader Forum themes.	Ho Youth Park, Ho
16:30 – 17:00	Travel back to Volta Serene Hotel		Travelling
17:00 – 18:30	Free time	You can use this time however you like – to rest, hang out, or explore.	Free time Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
18:30 – 21:00	Dinner and Global Music & Dance Exchange	Strengthen cross-cultural connection through music, dance and creative expression.	Dining Room, Lounges and Dance Floor Volta Serene Hotel, Ho



Wednesday, 4 February

Voice, Influence & City Governance



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07:00 – 08:30	Breakfast and free time		Breakfast Room and Lounges Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
08:15 – 08:45	Home Check-Ins (India, 13:45–14:15 IST; Vietnam, 15:15–15:45 ICT, Ghana and Senegal, 08:15–08:45 GMT)	Focused check-in session where representatives from India, Vietnam, Ghana and Senegal connect with peers back home to gather insights that will inform upcoming GLF sessions, while others take a short break in the Marketplace.	Marketplace / elsewhere! Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
08.45 – 09.00	Daily introduction and warm up	A brief overview of the day's agenda and a short activity to energize participants.	Main Plenary
09:00 – 10:30	Session 6: Making Space for Our Views	Examine mechanisms that enable adolescents to influence decision-making in their cities. <i>Adolescent and adult representatives from Resilient Cities for Adolescents (Ghana) and Co-creating Healthy Cities for Adolescents and Youth (Vietnam) will share how they created more adolescent-friendly city spaces, followed by cross-country discussions involving all project teams.</i>	Main Plenary and Breakout Rooms Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
10:30 – 11:00	Reflection Tea Break & Declaration Walls	Break with snacks, with time to explore the Advocacy Declaration Walls from the Our City, Our Say campaign or relax and connect informally in the Game Room before the next session.	Marketplace / elsewhere! Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
11:00 – 13:00	Session 7: Cities That Listen – Responsive City Governance	Explore how city systems and stakeholders respond to adolescent voices and advocacy. <i>Adolescent and adult representatives from Alza Tu Voz (Ecuador), Green Citizens – Healthy Cities (Vietnam) and My Path, My Pledge (Senegal) will share how they are working to strengthen city responsiveness to adolescents, followed by cross-country reflections and discussions involving all project teams.</i>	Main Plenary and Breakout Rooms Volta Serene Hotel, Ho

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13:00 – 14:00	Lunch & Networking	Informal networking.	Lunch Room / Outdoor Balcony Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
14:00 – 15:00	Session 8: Advocacy & Influence Learning Exchange	Share experiences on using advocacy, learning and evidence to influence policy and practice. <i>ACT Indore (India) will deliver a presentation highlighting their advocacy journey as a youth-led initiative. After the presentation, all participants will take part in a supported Gallery Walk where projects' visual materials – photos, posters, key statistics, short text excerpts and quotes – will be displayed.</i>	Main Plenary and Breakout Rooms Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
15:00 – 15:45	Session 9: Youth-Led Film & Story Showcase	Highlight adolescent-created films and stories as tools for expression and influence.	Main Plenary Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
15:45 – 16:00	Short tea break		
16:00 – 16:30	End-of-day reflection	Bring participants together to reflect on key takeaways from the day and capture shared learning on the Learning Wall. This will be the end of the day for most participants.	Main Plenary (Volta Serene Hotel, Ho)
16:30 – 17:30	Adolescent representatives only: Preparation for Urban Youth Dialogue (selected adolescents)	Preparation and practice session for those adolescents involved in the Urban Youth Dialogue, led by Partnership Bureau.	Main Plenary Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
	Feedback and discussion on global adolescent engagement approach for HCA-II	Informal feedback and brainstorming with remaining adolescents on the global approach.	Breakout Room
17:30 – 19:00	Free time or time for a Home Check-In (optional) for Colombia and Ecuador adolescents.	You can use this time however you like – to rest, hang out, or explore. This is also an optional slot for adolescent participants from Ecuador and Colombia to check in with their peers back home in a focused and purposeful way.	Free time Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner and a World Knowledge Quiz Night	Foster informal learning and team bonding.	Dining Room & Lounges Volta Serene Hotel, Ho

Thursday, 5 February

Sustaining Change



Time	Session / Event	Aim	Location
07:00 – 08:30	Breakfast and free time		Breakfast Room and Lounges Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
08:15 – 08:45	Home Check-Ins (India, 13:45–14:15 IST; Vietnam, 15:15–15:45 ICT, Ghana and Senegal, 08:15–08:45 GMT)	Focused check-in session where representatives from India, Vietnam, Ghana and Senegal connect with peers back home to gather insights that will inform upcoming GLF sessions, while others take a short break in the Marketplace.	Marketplace / elsewhere! Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
08.45 – 09.00	Daily introduction and warm up	A brief overview of the day's agenda and a short activity to energize participants.	Main Plenary
09:00 – 11:00	Session 10: Making Change Stick: Sustaining Systems Change	Explore how projects institutionalise and sustain shifts in system conditions in their cities. <i>Adolescent and adult representatives from Safe, Vibrant and Healthy Public Spaces (India) and Resilient Cities for Adolescents (Ghana) will share how they are working toward long-term systemic change, followed by cross-country discussions involving all project teams.</i>	Main Plenary and Breakout Groups Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
11:00 – 12:00	Closing this part of the GLF. Final reflections with the learning wall.	Celebrate collective learning and close this part of the Forum with shared reflection and commitments.	Main Plenary Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
12.00 – 12.30	Hotel checkout		Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
12:30 – 13:00	Lunch	This will be a shorter slot for lunch so please be prompt.	Volta Serene Hotel, Ho
13:00 – 15:00	Travel to Shai Hills		Travelling
15:00 – 17:00	Shai Hills and Cultural Activity		Shai Hills
17:00 – 18:00	Travel to Accra City Hotel		Travelling
18:30 onwards	Check into hotel, relax, and prepare for the final day		Accra City Hotel

Friday, 6 February

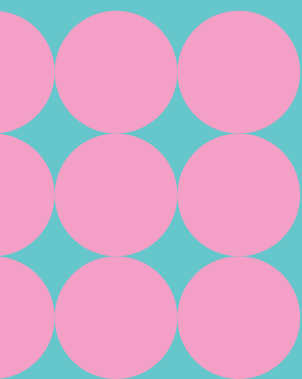
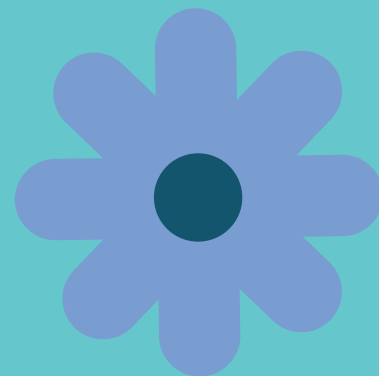
Urban Youth Dialogue



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08:30 – 09:30	Arrivals and registration (tea, coffee and play)	Guests will arrive and can engage with learning about HCA, and playing table-top games in the venue.	Accra City Hotel
9.30 – 9.35	Opening Poem	A young artist from Ghana will perform a poem that speaks about their experiences in their city.	
9.35 – 9.45	Introduction and Welcome	Welcome covering the day's aims, logistics, and interactive introductions.	
9.45 – 10.00	HCA Context	An adolescent and a representative from the HCA global team will introduce the initiative and its purpose at the Global Learning Forum in Ghana.	
10.00 – 11.00	Cityscaping	Interactive group session where adults and adolescents explore adolescents' HCA experiences in their cities across key thematic areas.	
11.00 – 11.45	Adolescent-Led Panel Discussion and Q&A	Adolescent-led panel discussion on personal HCA experiences and their impact on cities.	
11.45 – 12.45	Futurescoping	Group activity to design future adolescent-friendly cities.	
12.45 – 13.00	What Sticks, From Here	Closing reflections on key learnings and actions.	
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch, Talk and Play	Guests will be invited to lunch, and can continue to play, talk and learn from one another in the afternoon.	



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