

# EVENT REPORT

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## Peace and Justice Youth Workshop

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PEACE AND JUSTICEWORKSHOP IN DAR ES SALAAM



German and Tanzanian Youth during the discussion

**On the 31 of July 2019, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) welcomed 15 youth from Youth of United Nations Association (YUNA) in Tanzania and JugendInterKult e.V. from Germany. Together they participated on a joint workshop about peace and justice.**

KAS program officer Jane Mbeba welcomed everyone and started the workshop with a short exercise that aimed for both groups to interact and get to know each other. Then she gave a brief overview over the foundation and its work in Tanzania.

Next Gregor Schröder from JugendInterKult e.V. introduced the group and their work in Germany. JugendInterKult e.V. is a German society located in Sankt Augustin near Bonn, which advocates intercultural exchange programs between youth from different national and cultural backgrounds. The society offers inexpensive educational trips to different countries several times a year as well as welcomes youth from other countries in Germany. The focus of their educational

trip through Tanzania lies on interfaith and intercultural understanding.

Afterwards, Geyson Mbugi from YUNA talked about the association and their work in Tanzania. YUNA aims to give youth a voice within the United Nations. In Tanzania they are divided into two wings: the UN Clubs from different national universities and the UN Clubs from high schools. The association offers workshops and discussions to introduce the youth to diplomacy and international relations. YUNA represents UN values and encourages students to advocate these in national and international contexts. Since 2015, YUNA is repeatedly



The Youth in direct conversation

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working on the topic of Peace and Justice, given that this is one of UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals.

In the morning, the workshop focused on the exchange between the two groups. The young students were given the task to think about a topic or a question in the context of peace and justice which they asked the other participants, starting small individual discussions. This exercise gave the participants time and space to learn about their different ideas and perspectives.

After a short coffee break, Daniel El Noshokaty, KAS Resident Representative, talked about Tanzania's history and the current political situation. With a focus on the topic Peace and Justice, he reported the foundation's observations and experiences in the country. He highlighted the current debate about the freedom of press and freedom of speech and introduced the participants to the foundation's goal to strengthen a multi-party-system in Tanzania. He emphasized the importance to advocate democracy.



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By asking many questions, the participants demonstrated their interest in the discussion and KAS's work in Tanzania. Furthermore, the Germans were very curious about the Tanzanian's experiences while the Tanzanians showed a lot of interest for the German perspective. Both groups exchanged their ideas and points of view successfully.

Altogether, the youth were very happy to have a place to interact with each other and learn about the foreign perspectives. Both groups plan to cooperate in the future.