



LET'S TAKE CARE OF THE PLANET

CHILDREN AND YOUTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

BRAZIL 2010

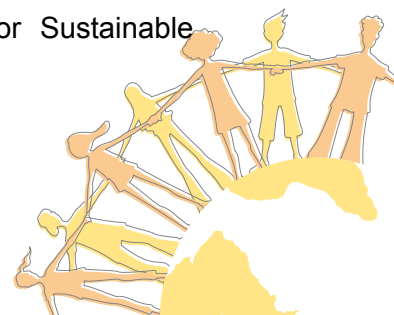
The Government of Brazil, through the Ministries of Environment and Education, invite the nations of the world to participate in a large scale process of international cooperation: the **Children and Youth International Conference – *Let's Take Care of the Planet***, in Brasilia, 2010.

The International Conference, as well as the resolutions which come from it, must be the expression of the collective actions between the government, organized civil society, and international organizations. And will happen in the climax of the Educational Decade for Sustainable Development, an initiative of the United Nations / UNESCO.

The main topic of the Conference's debate, common to all countries is a proposition for all the earth's people to confront the problem of climate change and global warming. We are living today in a social-environmental planetary crisis with no previous precedents and with unexpected effects. This topic is proposed in the following eight dimensions: ecological, historical, geographical, social, cultural, economical, technological, and ethical. The aim is for the schools of the world to become spaces for debate regarding the alternatives of constructing societies which are sustainable, just, and equal.

GOALS

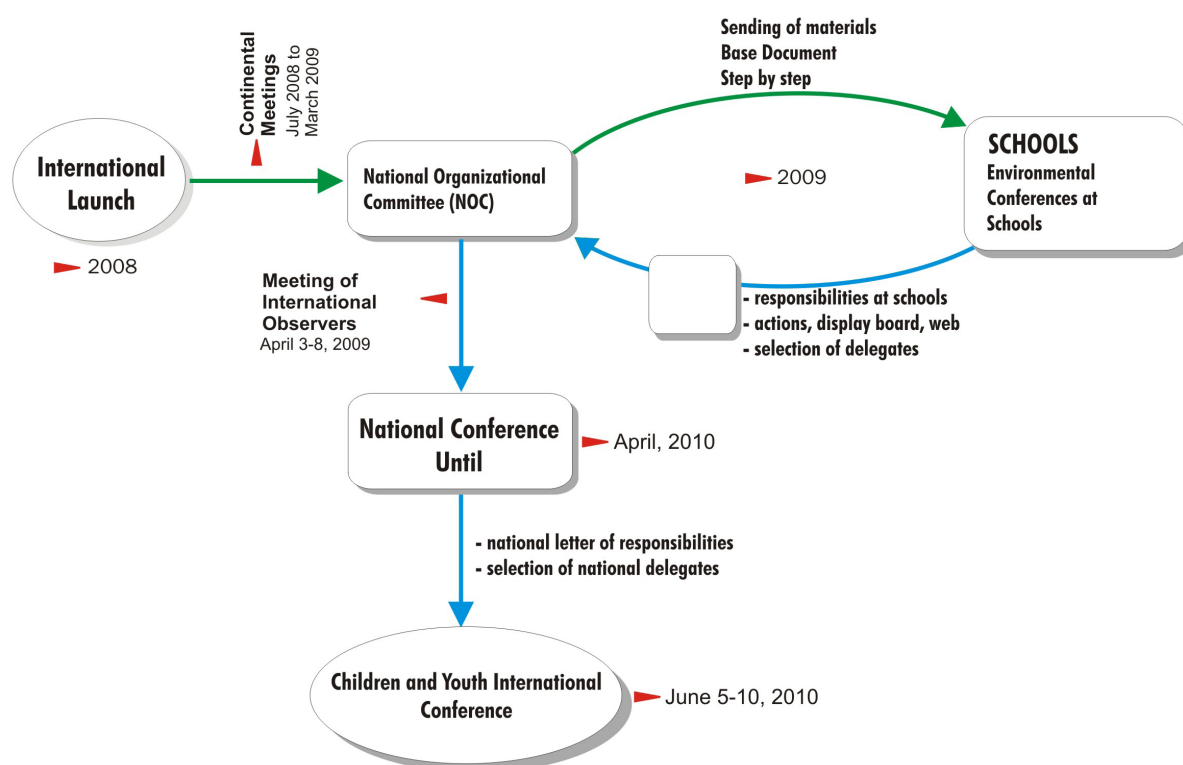
- To promote the exchange of international experiences in an effort to and make progress on extreme global social-environmental issues achieved through school education and the participation of society.
- To instill a common purpose within the highest number of teenagers, teachers, and communities; who in turn can appropriate locally how to be a part of planetary compromises; taking responsibility for sustainable societies, diffusing and going deeper into the fundamental topics related to: diversity, the Peace Culture, and planetary survival.
- To contribute to the strengthening of the Educational Decade for Sustainable Development (United Nations / UNESCO) in the world.



WHAT IS THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE?

It is a process that will mobilize school communities to come together and debate climate change and global warming. This will be done by choosing young delegates (between 12 – 14 years of age in 2010) that will bring the common duties and responsibilities of their respective areas to other people and places (national and international).

The figure below illustrates the suggested process and deadlines:



The simplicity of the Conference instills strength through the participation of the community in the debate of the urgent and pressing topics that are usually restricted to research centers, the media, and the formation of public policy. This conference provides a vehicle in which the youth opinion will be respected and well valued; and promotes the belief that we can take the individual and collective responsibilities and apply them in order to build a better local and planetary quality of life.

The intercultural debates will happen in the virtual learning communities via the website: <http://confint2010.mec.gov.br>

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