

2026 Key Dates and Timeline

Subject to change



January 2026	April 2026	July 2026	September 2026	October 2026
30 January - Plenary Challenges announced - Winter Partner Update	24 April - Overview Agenda - Registration opens	6 July - Delegate Speaker Applications open 30 July - Global Leadership Programme Session: Plenary Themes 3 and 4 31 July - Agenda Update - Workshop Host Applications close	1 September - Speaker and Session title submission - Partner logo submission deadline - Interactive Stage names and branding confirmed - Successful Workshop Hosts announced 7 September - Summit Agenda Update - Autumn Partner Update 15 - 24 September - Global Leadership Programme Sessions: Connect with your Region 25 September - Content submitted for Exhibition area on App - Summit registration closes** - Workshop List Available	2 October - Exhibition booth branding and activities submitted to One Young World for approval - Purchasing of additional hotel nights closes - All content submitted for Workshops and Action Sessions 9 October - Full Agenda released - One Young World Summit App and Digital Platform launched - Supplier Health and Safety Submission for Exhibition and Interactive Stages - Workshop Registration Open for Delegates 15 October - Global Leadership Programme Session: Welcome to Cape Town TBC October - Cape Town Delegate Send Off Event(s)
February 2026	May 2026	August 2026		
TBC Visa Guidance Published*	18 May - Pre-Summit Delegate Inductions begin 28 May - Global Leadership Programme Session: Effective and Ethical Leadership	26 August - Global Leadership Programme Session: Plenary Themes 5 28 August - Delegate Speaker Applications close - Exhibition Sales Close		
March 2026	June 2026			
16 March - Workshop Host Applications open 30 March - Spring Partner Update	24 June - Global Leadership Programme Session: Plenary Themes 1 and 2 29 June - Summer Partner Update			
			November 2026	
			3 November One Young World Summit Cape Town, 2026 begins!	

*** Visa Guidance will be published by the end of February 2026**

**** Summit Registration closes 25 September 2026**

Anyone who registers after 11:59pm GMT on 25 September 2026 **will not be guaranteed any of the following:**

- The option of being in the same hotel as the rest of their delegation
- The option to book pre/post nights in the same hotel they are staying in for the core nights of the Summit
- Airport transfers
- Catering that take into account dietary requirements
- Their choice in workshop allocation
- The opportunity for exclusive invitations to mentoring sessions and meet and greets
- The opportunity to be a Flag Bearer at the Opening Ceremony
- The opportunity to apply to be a Delegate Speaker