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## **Press Release**

The UNESCO World Heritage Centre and the National Commission of Cambodia for UNSECO, in collaboration with the APSARA National Authority, will organize the First World Heritage Youth Forum in Asia from 25 November to 3 December 2015 in Siem Reap, Cambodia.

The participation of interested young future experts from 21 countries in the Asia-Pacific region (ONE participant from following countries: Australia, Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam and 10 participants from Cambodia)

Contributing regional youth concerns and actions to the upcoming International Coordinating Committee for Angkor and the next 40th session of the World Heritage Committee in Turkey, this regional youth forum will bring together around 30 youth participants.

The World Heritage Youth Forum seeks to provide a sustainable platform for youth in Asia and the Pacific that could deliver essential feedback to the World Heritage Committee on youth concerns and actions related to the implementation of the Convention in the region. It is in keeping with the interest expressed by States Parties to hold youth forum at a regional level.

Overall, the Forum will contribute to holistic youth development and participation and raise their sense of ownership, stewardship and accountability for heritage protection and transmission.

National and international media, who are interested in the event, are welcome to contact:

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