**2024 ProSPER.Net Young Researchers’ School**

**Application Form**

This form is for applying to participate in the 2024 ProSPER.Net Young Researchers’ School (YRS). This year’s YRS will be held from 16 to 22 December 2024 in Colombo and Kandy, Sri Lanka, under the theme "Building Resilience: Integrating Nature-Based Solutions for Climate Change Mitigation".

Please note that the online form does not support draft-saving. You may use this form in preparing your responses in advance. **The Word document is for personal use only; only submissions made through the online form will be accepted.** Please adhere to the specified word limits for all responses.

The submission deadline is **6 October 2024, 23:59 (Japanese Standard Time).** Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

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| **Family name** |  |
| **First name** |  |
| **Middle name** |  |
| **Date of birth (day/month/year)** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Gender** | □ Male  □ Female  □ Prefer not to say |
| **Nationality** |  |
| **Home address** |  |
| **Mobile number (including the country code)** |  |
| **University name** |  |
| **Department/Faculty Name** |  |
| **Passport issue date:**  **Passport expiry date:** | (day/month/year):  (day/month/year): |
| **Stage of your postgraduate course** | Master studies  (specify the year you started your course:      )  Ph.D. studies  (specify the year you started your course:      ) |
| **Short biography (Maximum 150 words)** | |
| **Describe how you have utilized the concepts of nature-based solutions, climate change mitigation and/or sustainability in your research, work or community activities? What have you learned from these experiences? (Maximum 500 words).** | |
| **Explain your understanding of nature-based solutions and their significance in addressing the goals of the 2030 Agenda. (Maximum 300 words)** | |
| **Share your experiences of collaborative work with a diverse group where you demonstrated teamwork and openness to new ideas** **(Maximum 500 words).** | |
| **What is your motivation to apply for this program? (Maximum 500 words).** | |
| **List of research achievements, including publications, presentations, and/or conferences attended.** | |
| **How would you rate your English proficiency in the following areas using the scale below:**   1. **Reading** Basic/Conversational/Proficient/Fluent/Expert 2. **Writing** Basic/Conversational/Proficient/Fluent/Expert 3. **Speaking** Basic/Conversational/Proficient/Fluent/Expert 4. **Listening** Basic/Conversational/Proficient/Fluent/Expert | |
| **Have you ever participated in the ProSPER.Net Young Researchers’ School and/or Leadership Programme?**  □ Yes  □ No  If yes, specify the programme you participated in and the year: | |
| **Funding support**  (Please refer to ‘Terms & Conditions of UNU-IAS’s Financial Support’ for details about the fund support.)  **Do you want to apply for funding support?**  □ Yes  □ No  **If yes, are you willing to attend the programme at your own expense if you are not selected for funding?**  □ Yes  □ No | |
| **Personnel data**  Personal data provided under this form will be processed by UNU in accordance with the [UNU Policy on Personal Data Protection](https://jpn01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fi.unu.edu%2Fmedia%2Funu.edu%2Fattachment%2F105908%2FUNU-Policy-on-Personal-Data-Protection-Policy.pdf&data=05%7C01%7Cmichino%40unu.edu%7C255e6b33f08c42407fc008da4852c965%7Cb9fc8add5f9141cca6c8f00214e01d4b%7C0%7C0%7C637901817645504148%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Z0crt0upm2TRJmV5I%2B%2FBDuqYnUlSwLR33%2FrrEYS%2B49I%3D&reserved=0). Your information and personal data will strictly be used for the purpose of payment processing and will be held in confidence. Access to your information and personal data is strictly limited to UNU’s authorized employees and agents on a “need-to-know” basis. UNU will retain your personal data only for the period necessary to 2024 ProSPER.Net Young Researchers’ School, unless UNU has an obligation to preserve your personal data for administrative, fiscal, legal, scientific, historical or informational value, or otherwise in accordance with UNU’s retention policies. Further details are available [here](https://jpn01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fi.unu.edu%2Fmedia%2Funu.edu%2Fattachment%2F106533%2FUNU-Data-Protection-Notice-for-Third-Parties.pdf&data=05%7C01%7Cmichino%40unu.edu%7C255e6b33f08c42407fc008da4852c965%7Cb9fc8add5f9141cca6c8f00214e01d4b%7C0%7C0%7C637901817645504148%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Ixt5irMK9k18IN5nlrl2AXhHRBQ81YSmoWRBxSTGzl4%3D&reserved=0). Any information about the processing of personal data and how to request access, verification, rectification and/or deletion of personal data may be addressed to: Aya Yokoi, Data Protection Focal Point at UNU-IAS, at [yokoi@unu.edu](mailto:yokoi@unu.edu).  I understand and agree with the policy.  □ Yes  □ No | |
| **Upload your Curriculum Vitae (maximum 2 pages).** | |
| **Upload a recommendation letter from your supervisor, including their signature.** | |
| **I certify that the answers to the above questions are true.**  □ Yes  □ No | |