IAYSP African Youth Assembly 2021 in Benin

Mesmin S. Ganlekpo August 14, 2021 Idriss Déby Itno amphitheater at Abomey-Calavi University, Benin



From Thursday 12 to Saturday 14 August 2021, I had the opportunity to participate in the African Youth Assembly in the Idriss Déby Itno amphitheater at Abomey-Calavi University. Having brought together young people from 42 countries in Africa, said assembly was organized by the International Association of Young People and Students for Peace known in English as International African Youth and Students for Peace (IAYSP). "African youth commitment to prosperity and global health" is the overall theme around which the discussions were held.



After the first day devoted to opening the ceremony and community service in different countries (cleaning of the Abomey-Calavi University botanical garden for Benin), several other communications

were followed during the second day online as well as present, led by eminent African authorities. These include:

- Conflict resolution in Africa: Perspective of family and intellectual values led online by Mr. Abdul Kargbo from Sierra Leone and Mnoqobi Chinwa from South Africa:
- Climate change and global health and food crises: Empowering young people for innovative actions, online communication, led by Dr. Karambu Ringera and Ouedraogo Abdallah respectively from Kenya and Burkina Faso.



The papers on Sustainable Development Education and Objectives and Work and Family Life Preparation were facilitated by the UEMOA Resident Representative in Benin, H.E.M Désiré Yaovi BATCHASSI and the West African President of IAYSP, Mr. Ga ëtan DANDJESSO.

Other activities like artistic performances furnished the event.

The third and final day was devoted to the African Youth Festival for Peace, congratulating the participants from all 42 countries. Remember that the students of the National Medical-Sanitary Institute (INMeS) who responded to the event did not fail to give their mates some practical tips for optimal health. We, young Beninese people who participated in particular, also did not fail to express our words of thanks to the entire Staff of IAYSP given their interest in Beninese and African youth. In a highly convivial atmosphere and with satisfaction of all, the African Youth Assembly (AYA 2021) ended around 14 hours with family photos.

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