



THE SOCIAL ENTERPRISE MARK
TRADING FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET

'Making a Mark'

Mark Holder Social Impact Declaration

London International Youth Science Forum

LIYSF is a not-for-profit social enterprise that provides benefit to young people that are interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). LIYSF enables students in the pursuit of STEM for the benefit of all.



LIYSF aims to give a deeper insight into science and its applications for the benefit of humankind and to develop a greater understanding between young people of all nations. We run an annual two-week residential student event in central London, which attracts 500 of the world's leading young scientists (aged 16-21 years old) from more than 70 participating countries.

The Social Enterprise Mark criteria includes a requirement for all applicants and renewing Mark Holders to answer a set of social impact questions, which illustrate how they are striving to meet their social/environmental objectives.

Below are examples of how **LIYSF** is Making a Mark, striving to create a positive impact on people and planet.

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Empowering students interested in STEM subjects

The primary function of LIYSF is to organise the annual London International Youth Science Forum. This event provides benefit to students aged 16 - 21 years old that are interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

LIYSF enables students in the pursuit of science for the benefit of all by empowering passionate individuals to facilitate capacity building. The event was started in 1959 with the idea of bringing young people from different nations together to learn about each other and our different cultures through a shared passion for science.

Annual residential science enrichment programme

We facilitate an annual residential science enrichment event – a 15 day programme for 500 students from more than 70 countries selected based on talent.

The event includes 12 plenary lectures from Nobel prize Laureates, academic and industry pioneers, as well as 32 specialist lectures from leading researchers.



A vital part of LIYSF is about students teaching and learning about different cultures and traditions, so there is an active social component to the event to facilitate these important connections.

Outcomes for beneficiaries

Over the last 60 years, we have connected 22,000 students from around the world.

We provide an enrichment opportunity, particularly to those students who would not normally have access to such opportunities. Individual students are empowered after attending LIYSF, but also return to their home communities as science ambassadors and give presentations in their home communities to champion the importance of STEM education and opportunities.

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