**Shape MENA**

**Region:** MENA  
**Organisation responsible:** Global Shapers  
**Period:** Since 2009

**Activity:** Shape MENA is the annual regional gathering of the Global Shapers Community in the Middle East and North Africa Region. A “SHAPE” is a Shaper-organized gathering that typically targets Shapers in a region or sub-region. The event is an opportunity for the MENA Shapers to interact, exchange knowledge and expertise resulting in stronger community spirit and cross Hub collaboration, leaving a positive impact in our societies.

**Objectives**

- Bringing young agents of change under one roof in a catalytic experience to foster connection and collaboration.

- Dissolving the restrictions that borders inflict on sparking connection, engaging minds and collaborative creativity.

**Description**

SHAPE MENA 2017 consisted of a 3-day event that brought together over 150 young leaders from across the region in an effort to map out Shapers’ roles in solving some of the MENA’s most common and pressing challenges.

**Beneficiaries**

Young activists from the MENA region.

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**GOAL 6: Reinforce the role of youth as actors for change**

(99) Advocate for the inclusion of youth representation and participation in the political space through educational programs, especially on the planning and decision-making at governmental and institutional process, without discrimination. Importance to include all possible youth population: local and immigrants.

(100) Implement education programs that promote global justice, soft skills and critical thinking, tolerance and respect for diversity, in order to promote peace and nonviolent values.