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“TALENT AND INNOVATION COMPETITION
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Friends of the YABT Network, in this edition we bring you information from Brasil, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Panama. You will learn of how YABT Brasil was initiated and get to know the members of their team.

This year is very important for YABT due to the TIC AMERICAS, a Business Plan Competition that will bring important opportunities for many youth, students and graduates.

We encourage you to distribute the YABT Newsletter and to encourage entrepreneurs to join our network, which nowadays is made up of thousands of entrepreneurs. With your help, we can gather even more information.

If you participated in the YABT WEBCAST, on June 23rd 2006, please keep in touch with us and let us know about your current activities.

Please, send your suggestions, comments and related news to:
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Talent and Innovation Competition in the Americas October 2006 - June 2007

“World Youth Summit of Monterrey, Mexico”.

The “Instituto de la Juventud de Nuevo León” (Youth Institute of Nuevo León), México, invites YABT to participate in **the “World Youth Summit”** that will be held on August 10th and 11th. This meeting’s objective is to exchange best practices and experiences of YOUTH TOPICS and to follow the work agenda of the “Forum Monterrey 2007”.

The YABT will contribute its experience learned from the meeting of **“Young Entrepreneurs of the Americas: Forum of the Civil Society Participation in the IV Summit of the Americas”** which took place in Argentina, in August, 2005.

[Visit “World Youth Summit”](#)

[For more information visit FORUM MONTERREY 2007](#)

YABT will create opportunities for the Latin Youth Community in the United States

YABT is taking into consideration the creation of Business Labs Workshop **that is going to be targeted to the Latin Youth in United States.**

As a first step YABT will create a Pilot Program that will include participants from organizations in the entrepreneur field and with the aim of employment creation. These participants will eventually serve as trainers for their communities.

If you belong to a specific organization interested on participating in this initiative, please contact us at: ybiz3@oas.org

2006 APEC TIC WORKSHOP

Luís Viguria-YABT Programs Director, will participate as a panelist in the meeting: **Asia Pacific Economic Corporation-TIC Workshop, August 28th to the 31st, 2006 in Taipei, Taiwan.** Luis will participate in the humanity panel on the 29th of August. Also, during this time, he will present a class where he will show an economic case study of the APEC member countries. He will talk about ancient and contemporary culture of the region as well, showing the changes that have occurred throughout history.

[See more information](#)

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BRAZIL

ADVANCED BUSSINES LABS Workshops

The Advanced Business Labs Workshop was developed in June, 2006. 35 young people attended during 10 days. The workshop was developed into two sections. The first was about creating motivation and a sense of entrepreneurial spirit, while the second served to teach them important business skills.

[The report will be available in the next bulletin](#)

There are many different kinds of workshops in Brazil. Instead of just the Advanced Business Labs, there are Business Leadership Workshops, which are designed for the youth that are involved in the work sector and need interpersonal skills like: oral communication, negotiation skills, team work and motivation. The YABT Brazil has already developed two workshops in this field during 2006 and professionals from companies, such as Petrobras and Braskem, have registered their workers for these workshops.

The Social Business Laboratories, which are directed toward low income university students, are sponsored by NGOs: CIPO, ILE, IPGA, Enter y Jovem.

Learn more about YABT Brasil

Young Leaders form a successful team: "YABT Brasil"



The Young Americas Business Trust- Brazil (YABT-Brazil) began in 2004 when two young entrepreneurs entered the business world. Leonardo Gomes and Daniel Messeder served as interns for four months in the YABT-Washington, DC office. They worked on a strategic plan of organization that specifically concentrated on collecting funds.

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GUATEMALA

Workshop of Business Labs in the Indigenous Community of TECPAN

Since July 17th to 22nd, 2006, was developed the Business Labs Workshop targeted to participants of the 23 Indigenous Communities and the Region: Panama, Mexico and Paraguay, the workshop was held in the Indigenous Community of TECPAN, Guatemala.

The workshop was organized by: the Young Americas Business Trust (YABT), the "Red Nacional de Organizaciones de Jóvenes Mayas" (RENOJ), the "Concejo de la Juventud" (CONJUVE), and the "Instituto para el Desarrollo Empresarial de las Americas (IDEA).

It is important to highlight the presence of Yeruti Mendez from Paraguay who is Program Manager of YABT in Washington D.C. She is attending in order to gain the necessary knowledge for the future development of the Business Labs Program in her country, Paraguay.

[The report is available in www.ybiz.net](http://www.ybiz.net)

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HONDURAS

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Business Labs Workshop: The 1st Workshop Training of Trainers was held in Tegucigalpa, from July 24th to 28th

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MEXICO

THE PROJECT CONTINUES: COMMUNITY BUSINESS LABS

Mexican University students involved with MICROSOFT will be able to obtain experience in the business, thanks to the initiative of Paola Anzola, Executive Director-YABT MEXICO.

These young people will be selected to take an online business plan course at mybiz.net. Likewise, they will have the chance to participate in a business labs workshop and exchange their knowledge in software to help foster innovation in this area.

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AGROBUSSINES LABS WORKSHOP- THE CITY OF TERAN

From May 22nd to the 26th, 2006, the Agro-business Workshop was held with a total of 20 participants, resulting with the young people developing business management skills that can be applied to create sustainable enterprises in their local sectors. The workshop was organized for the YOUNG AMERICAS BUSINESS TRUST, MEXICO and the City of Teran, and took place in the installations of the Secondary General, Anacleto Guerrero.

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PANAMA

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YES LATIN AMERICA SPONSORS A BUSINESS LABS WORKSHOP

YES Latin America will collaborated with the amount of US\$ 200 for a workshop that was developed from June 12th to 16th in Panama. The money was used in a "small box" concept for the miscellaneous expenditures obtained during the workshop. Also, they are committed to publish the information about the workshop through the INFOYES Latin America bulletin that is distribute in the region.

[See the report](#)

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NEXT ACTIVITIES

Starting in the second semester of 2006, the Business Labs Workshops in **Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Las Bahamas, Paraguay, and Peru** will be developed.

RESOURCES

YABT and IDB Youth have at their disposal a Directory of Organizations and Agencies that supports young entrepreneurs in Latin America and the Caribbean. If you are a YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR, we invite you to visit YBIZ.net and activate your ENTREPRENEURIAL NETWORK.

More Information...

INITIATIVES

Bayer MaterialScience Latin America Innovation Prize

It is an unprecedented competition designed to award the best ideas from the Latin American academic community concerning Bayer's products or production processes. The goal is to search for innovative solutions that can improve people's quality of life and also show how the Company is present in their lives.

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EVENTS

- **HOBY** World Leadership Congress, July 27 - August 4, 2006—Washington D.C.
- **XVI Seminario Nacional de Parques Tecnológicos e Incubadoras de Empresas & XIV Workshop Anprotec** August 21-25, 2006 - Salvador, Bahia, Brasil
- **Confest CSR Expo**, November 16, 2006 –Argentina
- **VII Congress of the Latin-American Association of Rural Sociology Rural** – Ecuador; from 20th to 24th, November 2006.

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