Documentary Concept Note

Title: Generation Trust
A Youth4Climate Documentary by UNDP Rome Centre and What Took You So Long

What is "Generation Trust"?

Generation Trust is a 70-minute documentary film produced by UNDP's Youth4Climate initiative in collaboration with the award-winning production company *What Took You So Long*. The film follows five young climate leaders from Liberia, Colombia, Pakistan, Bolivia, and Uganda, all recipients of the Youth4Climate financial and technical support, as they design and implement powerful climate solutions in their communities. Each story reveals how trust, when paired with meaningful support, can unleash transformative local action with global impact.

Avant Premiering at **COP30 in November 2025**, *Generation Trust* captures the energy, innovation, and determination of a generation that refuses to wait for permission to act.

Why this film matters

This documentary goes beyond climate doom. It offers a grounded, human-centered perspective on climate leadership by showing what happens when young people are trusted with resources, space, and community. The five projects featured tackle urgent climate challenges in deeply local ways:

- **Liberia**: electric mobility meets women-led entrepreneurship
- **Uganda**: tools for circular economy and plastic reduction
- **Pakistan**: community-based coral reef restoration
- **Bolivia**: smart school gardens for climate education and food security
- **Colombia**: energy access through second-life EV battery innovation in remote Indigenous Communities

All protagonists are Youth4Climate awardees funded by the **Italian Ministry of Environment and Energy Security (MASE)** and the 8x1000 funds of the **Italian Buddhist Institute Soka Gakkai**, whose direct support made these solutions, and the film itself, possible.

Objectives of the film and dissemination

The documentary aims to:

- Elevate **youth voices** and **solutions** ahead of COP30.

- Inspire collective action and peer learning across borders.
- Offer a compelling donor visibility tool to show real-world results of their support.
- Reflect the collaborative, bottom-up ethos of the **Global Mutirão**, central to COP30.

We're seeking opportunities to:

- Premiere the film at relevant COP30 platforms (in-person & virtual).
- Secure **media coverage**, streaming opportunities, and **film festival screenings**.
- Collaborate with youth networks, educational institutions, and global campaigns to **spark dialogue and action** through post-screening workshops and discussions.

Available for preview:

- Teaser
- Trailer
- Short clip 1, Clip 2, Clip 3
- Screengrabs Colombia, Liberia, Pakistan, Uganda, Bolivia
- Pitch deck