

LCOY 2025

# PARTICIPATION AT THE LOCAL CONFERENCE OF YOUTH (LCOY) 2025



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# LOCAL CONFERENCE OF YOUTH 2025 REPORT ABIA STATE (SOUTH EAST)



## Introduction

The Local Conference of Youth (LCOY) 2025 provided a transformative platform for youth across Nigeria to engage in meaningful dialogue on climate action, sustainability, and community development. As a representative of Abia State, my participation highlighted our collective commitment to climate engagement, agricultural innovation, and the advancement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This report documents key sessions, contributions, insights, and outcomes from my involvement at LCOY 2025.

## Background: About LCOY

LCOY is organized under YOUNGO, the official youth constituency of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The purpose of the conference is to empower young people to shape climate policies, amplify local actions, and ensure youth inclusion in both national and international climate decision-making.

The 2025 edition in Nigeria was hosted in partnership with ActionAid Nigeria, South Saharan Social Development Organization (SSDO), and youth climate networks committed to fostering climate resilience and sustainable development.



## SOUTH-EAST REGIONAL LOCAL CONFERENCE OF YOUTH (LCOY NIGERIA 2025)

THEME

### Youth at the Forefront of Climate Justice: Accelerating Action for a Just Transition



## PURPOSE OF MY PARTICIPATION

### REPRESENTING ABIA STATE, MY GOALS AT LCOY WERE TO:

- Advocate for climate-smart agriculture and agrotourism as engines of sustainable development.
- Highlight Abia's strengths in environmental stewardship and youth engagement.
- Learn from national and global climate leaders to bring innovative solutions back to the state.
- Strengthen Abia's visibility in national climate discussions.

### • Key Sessions Attended

- In total, the conference featured over 60 youth delegates, 20+ facilitators, and 10 technical sessions, creating a rich environment for learning and collaboration.

# 1. Youth and Climate Policy Dialogue

This session explored tools for effective youth participation in climate governance.

Discussions included:

- Frameworks for integrating youth voices in state and national climate policies.
- Strategies for bridging gaps between government institutions and youth-led climate organizations.

## 2. Climate Finance and Green Jobs

This session addressed opportunities for young people in the green economy.

Key takeaways included:

- Accessible climate finance models for agripreneurs.
- Skills required for green jobs in energy, agriculture, and digital sustainability.

## 3. Sustainable Agriculture and Community Resilience

This was a major highlight for me due to its relevance to Abia's agricultural potential. The session emphasized:

- Climate-smart farming practices.
- The role of agrotourism in boosting rural economies.
- Integrating data and research for improved agricultural planning





## MY CONTRIBUTIONS

Throughout the conference, I actively engaged in 4 major breakout sessions, participated in 3 policy dialogues, and contributed to 2 group presentations. During multiple sessions and group engagements, I contributed perspectives on: During multiple sessions and group engagements, I contributed perspectives on:

- **Agrotourism as a climate and economic solution:** I highlighted how agro-tourism links food systems, environment, and rural development. I shared Abia's potential to take the lead in this space.
- **Youth Empowerment in Abia:** I discussed the importance of creating structured programs that support youth-led innovation in climate and agriculture.
- **Rural Community Engagement:** I emphasized the value of building partnerships with local farmers, cooperatives, and cultural institutions to strengthen climate awareness.

# IMPACT AND OUTCOMES



**As a direct outcome of my participation and engagements with stakeholders, the following measurable results were recorded:**

- 12 new partnerships strengthened with national climate networks.
- 5 capacity-building opportunities identified for Abia youths.
- A 3-phase roadmap drafted for integrating climate-smart agriculture in local communities.
- Abia's visibility amplified through 4 national platforms and post-event reports. My participation yielded several outcomes that can support Abia's development agenda:
- Strengthened partnerships with national climate networks.
- Access to training and capacity-building opportunities for Abia youths.
- A roadmap for integrating climate-smart agriculture in local communities.
- Increased visibility for Abia State in global climate youth forums.

## RELEVANT TO ABIA STATE AS.

Abia is rich in agricultural diversity, cultural heritage, and youth-driven innovation. With over 60% of Abians involved in agriculture, and 17 local government areas positioned for rural development, my role at LCOY helped position our state as: Abia is rich in agricultural diversity, cultural heritage, and youth-driven innovation. My role at LCOY helped position our state as:

- A key player in national climate advocacy.
- A strong candidate for climate-focused investments.
- A leader in agrotourism innovation in Nigeria.



# NEXT STEPS FOR ABIA



To build on the success of LCOY 2025, the following 5 strategic actions are recommended: To build on the success of LCOY 2025, the following actions are recommended:

- Establish an Abia Youth Climate Council to coordinate ideas and programs.
- Partner with ministries for climate education, agriculture, and tourism.
- Organize local climate workshops in communities.
- Collaborate with researchers to develop data-driven agricultural models.
- Promote agrotourism as a tool for economic diversification.



# SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

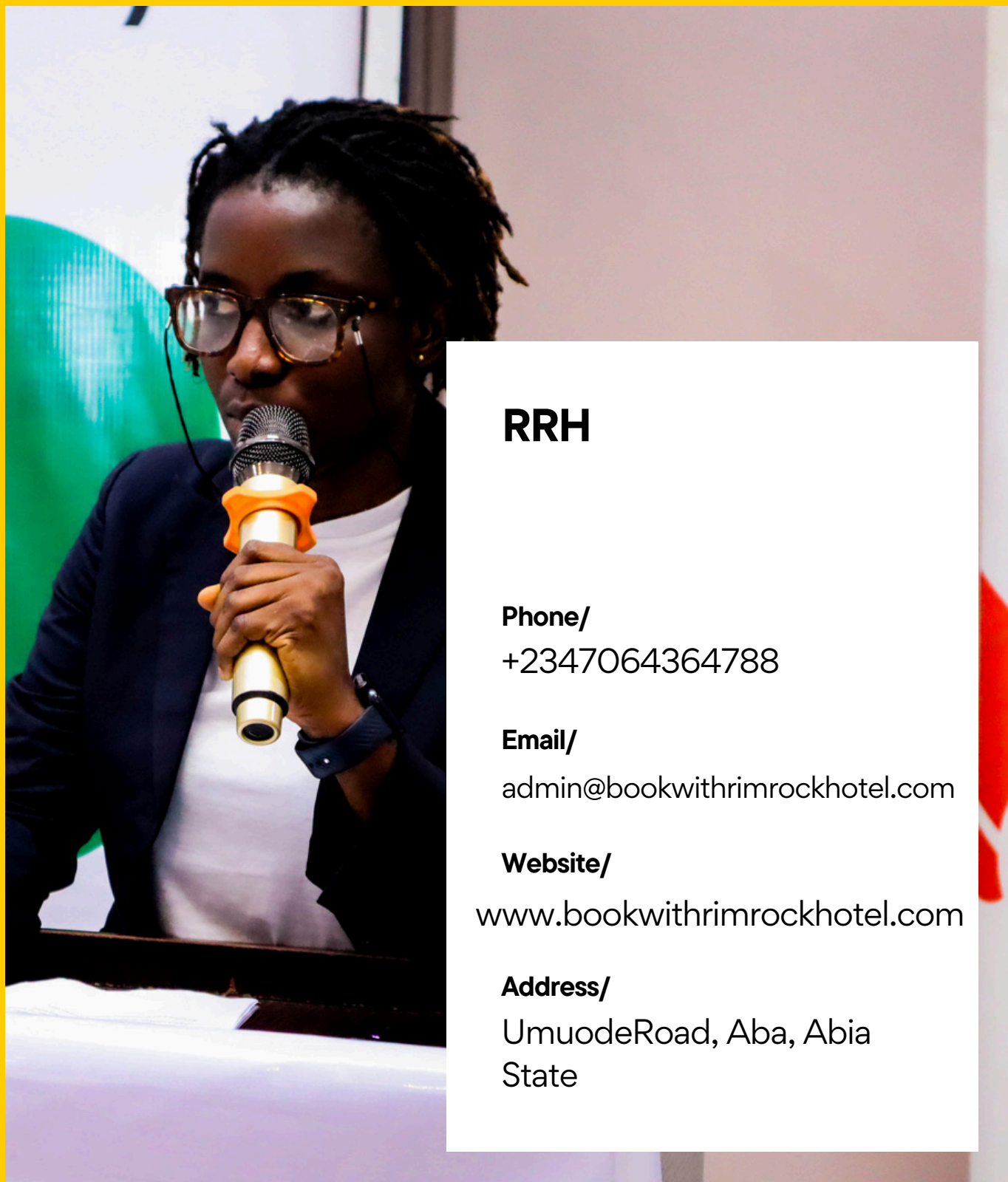


## CONCLUSION

My participation in LCOY 2025 marks a significant milestone for Abia State as we advance our climate action agenda. With strengthened networks, insights, and opportunities, I am committed to applying the knowledge gained to empower communities, support youth innovation, and promote sustainable development across the state.



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