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Dear CSO representative,

We are pleased to inform you that the fourteenth session of the Conference of Parties (COP 14) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) decided to grant observer status to your organization **International Youth Council Yemen (IYCY)**, following the recommendation made by the UNCCD secretariat. This accreditation is valid for all sessions of the COP and its Subsidiary Bodies. On behalf of all staff of the UNCCD, please accept our heartfelt congratulations.

As an accredited observer, your organization will automatically receive an official invitation to attend the sessions of the COP and its Subsidiary Bodies. The official documents ICCD/COP(14)/15 and ICCD/COP(14)/15/Add1 contain a listing of the civil society organizations (CSO) that were accredited, including yours.

You are kindly requested to keep the UNCCD secretariat informed of any changes affecting your organization and/or any activities of relevance undertaken as part of the Convention process. Ongoing and updated information on the Convention process can be found on the UNCCD's website: <http://www.unccd.int>.

Should you wish to indicate your status with the UNCCD on your letterhead, please use the following wording: "CSO with accredited status with the Conference of the Parties to the UNCCD". The UNCCD logo may not be used for stationery use, or for any printed materials describing your organization. If you would like to use the UNCCD logo for any specific event or activity, you are kindly advised to send a request to csos@unccd.int describing the purpose of the same.

I would highly recommend that you visit the section of the UNCCD website devoted to the civil society organizations <https://www.unccd.int/convention/civil-society-organizations> where you can find updated information relevant to the CSOs working in the implementation of the UNCCD.

We look forward to a productive and rewarding collaboration with your organization and its representatives.

Yours sincerely,

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