



**Caribbean Environmental Forum & Exhibition
June 21 to 25, Montego Bay, JAMAICA**

Young Voices at CEF!

We are pleased to announce the 2010 Youth Environmental Forum (YEF), a new feature of Caribbean Environmental Forum (CEF). Students from local schools in Montego Bay, Jamaica, between the ages of 14-18, will join CEF participants in an exchange of ideas and experience regarding sustainable development in the region. The students will focus on disseminating information about the event using the most popular and up to date technology available and learning more about what they can do to safeguard the environment. Their participation will provide an opportunity for professionals to hear the views of the youth and for the young people to gain an insight into today's issues. They will also take part in activities planned exclusively for them.

The new insights and information gathered from the various plenary and technical sessions will be carried home by the young people and disseminated by means of activities within their schools such as student's symposia, science fairs and youth debating groups for instance. A team of teachers and group leaders will chaperone the young participants, facilitate events for the youth, and act as coaches. The youth participation will be financed by the GEF-IWCAM Project and the organization of the YEF is being lead by the Government of Jamaica, through the National Environment and Planning Agency (NEPA).