Overall, the global youth unemployment rate to rise to 13% in 2017.

**Geographic disparities:** in 2017, youth unemployment rates are as follows:

- **10.9%** in South Asia
- **10.9%** in East Asia
- **29.2%** in North Africa
- **29.7%** in the Middle East

**Source:** International Labour Organization (2016) and Youth Business International
Young entrepreneurs on the rise

Total Entrepreneurial Activity across Age Groups
UNCTAD and The Commonwealth have developed a policy guide on youth entrepreneurship to help resolve many challenges for young entrepreneurs in many countries.

*The Policy Guide on Youth Entrepreneurship,* aims to support policymakers in designing entrepreneurship policies and programmes for youth.
1. Design an integrated youth entrepreneurship strategy

2. Creating an enabling regulatory environment for young people

3. Embedding youth entrepreneurship in education

4. Enhancing technology and innovation for and among youth

5. Ensuring a youth Financial inclusion

6. Promoting networks for and among youth

Source: UNCTAD and Commonwealth Guiding Framework for Youth Entrepreneurship
UNCTAD Social Entrepreneurship Training (SET)

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UNCTAD's Alliances for Youth Entrepreneurship Programs

- Commonwealth Guiding Framework for Youth Entrepreneurship
- Joint research and regional workshops on Youth Entrepreneurship
- Joint research and curricula design
- Joint Curricula and Youth Training
- Empretec partner - BEST
- Empretec partner - MBA Program
- Partner since 2009 - Awareness Campaigns