

**Global Leadership Summit:** 

# The Power of Environmental Stewardship

#### JULY 2-13, 2026

Our relationship with the Earth today has a direct impact on all aspects of the future from conserving native habitats and species to preserving centuries-old cultures and traditions. So, how do we restore balance and reestablish ourselves as caretakers of the world that provides for us? Embark on an educational tour through Latin America and join us in San José, Costa Rica, for EF's 2026 Global Leadership Summit. In these perspective-shifting places—where the ecosystems are uniquely intertwined with everyday life—we'll explore *The Power of Environmental Stewardship* and the collective action we can take to prioritize the planet we call home.



# What to expect on a Summit

It's all about making an impact in the way that matters most to you. You'll explore global topics to find what motivates you, combine that with your new, hands-on discovery of what matters to others, and use it all to make a difference that will last far longer than the Summit experience itself.

## Thought leaders among us

Learn from experts during engaging workshops and discussions. Past Summit speakers include AI Gore, Jane Goodall, Sir Ken Robinson, and Soledad O'Brien.

## Change you can feel

From innovative thinking to public speaking, every moment at an EF Summit is designed to inspire growth.

# **Project-based learning**

Working on a small international team, you'll use the design-thinking process to create and present solutions to a global challenge.

### **Immersive travel**

Explore Latin America on an immersive educational tour centered around *The Power of Environmental Stewardship.* 

EF Summits are open to rising 9th graders through graduated seniors.

#### GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS & LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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# Your itinerary

Venture to the Galápagos Islands, where every encounter tells a story of biological evolution and the scientific imperative to protect our planet. Home to animal species found nowhere else in the world, this archipelago is the foremost destination for wildlife conservation. Stroll past giant tortoises in the Santa Cruz highlands and see research in action at the Charles Darwin Foundation. Snorkel in Tintoreras and learn about nutrient cycling at a pink flamingo habitat. After engaging with Earth's rarest inhabitants, you'll feel even more energized to embrace *The Power of Environmental Stewardship* at our inspiring leadership conference in Costa Rica.

#### DAY 1: Fly to Ecuador

#### DAY 2: Quito | Mindo Cloud Forest

• Day trip to the Mindo Cloud Forest, butterfly garden visit

#### DAY 3: Quito | Baltra Island | Santa Cruz Island

• Fly to Baltra Island, boat ride to Santa Cruz Island, giant tortoise observation in the Santa Cruz highlands, Twin Craters and Lava Tunnels visit, Charles Darwin Research Station visit

#### DAY 4: Santa Cruz Island | Isabela Island

• Boat ride to Isabela Island, Los Humedales trail hike, pink flamingo habitat visit, tortoise breeding center visit

#### DAY 5: Isabela Island

• Boat ride to the Tintoreras Lava Islet, snorkeling activity

#### DAY 6: Isabela Island | Santa Cruz Island

• Boat ride to Santa Cruz Island, Tortuga Bay hike, Playa Mansa visit, Playa de los Alemanes visit

#### DAYS 7-8: Santa Cruz Island | Baltra Island | Quito | San José

• Exploration time on Santa Cruz Island, boat ride to Baltra Island, fly to Quito, fly to San José

#### DAY 9: San José | Leadership Conference

• Summit-themed activity, leadership conference begins

#### DAYS 10-11: San José | Leadership Conference

DAY 12: Depart for home

#### PLUS YOU'LL GET:



An incredible Tour Director who stays with you on tour and throughout the conference



Breakfast and dinner every day, as well as two lunches while you're at the conference in San José



Hotels with private bathrooms plus a comfortable motorcoach



A newfound passion to make lasting, positive change



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