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Graduate Student
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Janik is currently pursuing a dual Master’s degree in Analytics and Management at NHH in Norway, and NUS in Singapore, as part of the CEMS Alliance. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Industrial Business Administration from DHBW Mannheim. Previously, Janik worked with Merck, P&G, and Google, as well as with a variety of start-ups in a leading global health accelerator. He has also launched his own innovation consultancy “Luforte” for small enterprises.

Mr Ioannis BATAS
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Ioannis has a Bachelor's degree in Management Science and Technology from Athens University of Economics and Business, during which he pursued an Erasmus+ exchange to Southern Denmark University. Ioannis began his career as a Software Research Assistant at the Business Analytics Lab of his University and was later recruited by CERN as a Web Developer Intern. He is currently the IT Project Manager at Dataphoria, an impact start-up that helps organisations advance the 17 SDGs using data analytics and AI tools.
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Greece
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Victoria completed her Master’s degree at the Department of Forestry and Natural Environment of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and currently works towards her doctoral studies focusing on Government Sustainability in the Netherlands. Victoria is a member of the International Forestry Student Association and Vice President of her local team. She served as a member of the European Youth Parliament and created the TEDxAUTH event at her University.

Ms Anna PORICHI
Greece
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Anna is an undergraduate student in the Department of Animal Sciences and Aquaculture at the Agricultural University of Athens (AUA). She is also pursuing a minor degree from EU-Conexus European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability. Anna is actively engaged in university community, currently being the Head Coordinator of the student volunteering team of AUA.

Mr Ákos BAUMGARTNER
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Graduate Student
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Ákos is a Master’s student in International Relations at the Central European University. Ákos is a former Desk Officer at the Department for International Development of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary and an alumnus of the College for Advanced Studies of Diplomacy in Practice. Ákos is the author of publications at the Palgrave Macmillan publisher and Manchester University Press, and co-founder and former president of Junior Achievement Alumni Hungary. Currently, he is working for the European Board of JA Alumni Europe. Akos is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

Ms Bori IVICSICS
Hungary
Event Management
International Eucharistic Congress Secretariat

Bori has a Bachelor’s degree in Transportation Engineering and now works as an event organiser at the International Eucharistic Congress Secretariat. She is also a professional in disability inclusion. Bori went to Scotland for a European Solidarity Corps programme and researched the accessibility of the Scottish volunteer world. She is currently volunteering for the Freekey, which is a disability initiative working on implementing a Personal Assistance System in Hungary. Bori is an ASEFEdu alumnus.
Ms Virág KEMECSEI
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Virág finished her Bachelor's degree in International Relations at the Corvinus University of Budapest, spending her Erasmus exchange semester at the University College London. She also graduated from the University of Amsterdam with a Master's in Conflict Resolution & Governance, after which she received a scholarship to pursue Mandarin Studies in Taiwan. Virág is a former trainee at the European Commission and afterward was employed at one of the United Nations agencies. Virág is the recipient of the Japanese Government's scholarship and is due to start her research at Waseda University in Tokyo in April 2021.

Mr Nikhil DADHEECH
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Nikhil holds a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology Delhi. He is working as an Associate Data Scientist at Innoplexus Pune and is currently working on entity normalisation and drug discovery using artificial intelligence and machine learning. During his studies, Nikhil worked on air quality modelling and characteristics of photochemical pollutants over Indo-Gangetic Plain. Nikhil is also an active member at Dakshana Foundation a not-for-profit organisation which provides quality education to the poor students in India. Nikhil is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

Ms Rashmeet KAUR
India
District Youth Officer
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Rashmeet has been working with the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports of India for the development of rural youth of Punjab for the past two years. She has participated in civil society projects like the National Youth Festival, Clean India Mission, Pulse Polio Campaign, or Save & Educate Girl Child. Rashmeet is also a member of the "Prevention against sexual harassment at workplace" committee at KelpHR.

Mr Aashraya SETH
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Aashraya is a social educator and innovator with experiences in qualitative research, youth mentoring and transformation of education systems. He is also a climate ambassador at Global Youth Climate Network of the World Bank Group. Aashraya founded the non-profit projects 'STEMinism in India' and 'Project Red', which engages young women and girls to promote participation in STEM fields and dismantle the stereotypes around menstruation. He was recently named amongst the Top-80 Social Innovators in India by Youth Co: Lab 2020, NITI Aayog and UNDP.
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Mr Alvin ADITYO
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Recent Graduate, Universitas Indonesia

Alvin completed his Bachelor’s degree in Humanities at the University of Indonesia. He has passed internship programmes at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia and at Center for Indonesian Policy Studies (CIPS). During his degree Alvin was a student researcher at the French Department of the Faculty of Humanities. Currently, Alvin is an active writer on his website about the future of digital economy.

Ms Amelinda AGUS
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Amelinda is working towards a Bachelor's degree in Business Economics at the Tokyo International University with a focus on Business Development. Amelinda co-founded an EdTech start-up and currently runs a youth-led organisation that aims to raise financial literacy in Indonesia. She also takes part in various student-led clubs such as TED and Hult Prize.

Mr Yosua ANDREE
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Yosua has a Bachelor's degree in Civil Private Law from the University of Indonesia and a Master's degree in International Business Administration from the Monash University Australia. Yosua is currently establishing Able.ID, a start-up company that focuses on tackling Indonesian mental healthcare problems by implementing Deep Tech aspects (especially Artificial Intelligence and Big Data) to increase the accessibility of mental healthcare in Indonesia.
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Undergraduate  
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Ross is a student of Social Sciences and Cultural Innovation at the Dublin City University. He is also an activist involved in mental health, climate action and international development issues from a youth perspective, advocating for a just and sustainable world in Ireland, Europe and abroad. He does so through his involvement in the National Youth Council of Ireland, where he is working on the Youth Manifesto for Climate Justice.

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Mr Scott BYRNE  
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Recent Graduate  
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Scott graduated in Physics at the Trinity College Dublin. Currently, he is a youth advisor for a number of Irish NGOs such as Spunout, Plan Ireland and GOAL, where he has advocated for young people and developed educational resources. He has also carried out research into accessible science education for disadvantaged and SEN students.

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Elisa holds a Bachelor’s degree in European Literature from the University of Upper Alsace and the University of Bologna and is working towards a Master’s degree in Environment, Politics and Development at SOAS. She is the co-founder of Slow Fashion UK and coordinator of Slow Fashion Movement, a grassroot initiative running behavioural change campaigns to urge the garment industry to overthrow the fast fashion business model. Elisa is also a member of the French think thank Euro-Créative, where she writes about the Western Balkans.

Ms Federica LORUSSO
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Intern German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA)

Federica attained a Bachelor's degree in International Studies at the University of Trento and a Master's degree in China and Global Studies at the University of Turin. She is currently working as an intern for the German Institute for Area and Global Studies, doing research on the Indo-Pacific. Federica was an AFS summer exchange student in Japan, and currently volunteers for Intercultura (AFS Italy).

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Stefano holds a Bachelor's degree in Materials Engineering and Nanotechnology and a Master's degree in Polymer Engineering, both from the Politecnico di Milano. He is currently pursuing a Doctorate degree in Renewable Materials at the UPV/EHU University. Stefano has worked in the field of WEEE recycling, Metal Organic Framework synthesis and biobased polymers production. Stefano is also Board Member of the TIEF association, promoting socio-cultural activities in his region and supporting water supply projects in Ethiopia.
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Assistant Manager  
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Yukari works for Mitsubishi Corporation and is in charge of business development in the field of mobility. Previously she worked for the subsidiary in Brazil, focusing on global/regional strategy and new business development. Yukari attended the Y20 Summit, an official engagement group of G20, as a Japanese Delegation Leader in 2014 and as a member of the Japanese Delegate in 2012. As a Robert J. Myers Fellow at Carnegie she has organised various social and educational projects.

Mr Makito TSURU  
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Makito has a Bachelor's degree in Law from Ritsumeikan University. He has been awarded and funded by Ritsumeikan Alumni Association as a scholarship student to initiate activities which confront and find solutions towards social problems. Makito currently works as an intern for a PR & Marketing agency, where he develops and executes public relations campaigns. He has also partaken in international youth forums representing Japan, such as the World Youth Forum.

Mr Kohei YAMADA  
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Programme Coordinator, Stockholm Environment Institute, Asia  

Kohei is Programme Coordinator at Stockholm Environment Institute Asia based in Thailand where he supports regional projects that connect knowledge and policies for achieving SDGs in the region. He previously worked at SEAMEO RIHED, an intergovernmental organisation in Southeast Asia where he closely worked with policymakers and academic institutions to build partnerships towards more inclusive education and research in Southeast Asia. Kohei has also carried out consultancies with the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Regional Office, the University of Tokyo and other NGOs in research and project roles. Kohei holds a Master's degree in Development Studies from International Institute of Social Studies (ISS) of Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands, and the second Master's degree in International Relations from Ritsumeikan University, Japan.

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AIESEC in Kazakhstan  

Tomas is Country Director of AIESEC in Kazakhstan, where he leads large scale events and programs for thousands of young people in Kazakhstan to support and empower and is active in the Global Shapers community. He is also part of the founding team as Head of IT of Connect-Ed, an initiative that started during the COVID-19 to overcome the digital divide among schoolchildren in need. Tomas also works as Business Developer and Data Analyst for leading organisations in telecommunication and e-commerce in India and Malaysia.
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Aruzhan is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences at Nazarbayev University. She is active at the Children's Development Foundation, initially as an English teacher for children from low-income families and currently as a Mentoring Program Officer, supporting children and high-school graduates in need to win state grants.

Ms Shangyoon
PARK
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Shangyoon graduated with a Bachelor’s degree in Business Management and Global Korean Studies at Sogang University. She currently works at a corporate venture capital where she fosters growth for start-ups and corporations. Shangyoon also founded the Shine Together Project, a non-profit organisation that addresses the issue of racism in South Korea through traditional storytelling from around the world.

Ms Scarlett SON
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Ms Joy
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Lao PDR
Project Coordinator Asian Development with the Disabled Persons (ADDP)

Joy pursued a Bachelor's degree in Social Science, Culture, Media and Society at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University. She has been working as Project Coordinator for the Japanese Asian Development with the Disabled Persons for five years, where she has been running activities and legacy-telling of para-athletes to serve as source of empowerment for disabled persons.
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Ms Sounilanh SIENMANEESAM  
Lao PDR  
Recent Graduate National University of Laos  

Sounilanh graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Business Law from the Faculty of Law and Political Science of the National University of Laos. She used to work for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and is currently involved in the project "Young Generation" organising trainings and developing youth-oriented content. Sounilanh is also an active member of the Asian Law Students' Association (ALSA).

Ms Anna PLAUDIŅA  
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Anna has a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the Stockholm School of Economics in Riga, and currently works at the State Chancellery on media issues. She joined an Accenture Bootcamp, where she had the chance to improve her programming skills. Anna is also member of the board of the Transparency International Latvian branch "Delna".

Ms Eliza SEMKINA  
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Undergraduate Student Riga Graduate School of Law  

Eliza is currently working towards her Bachelor's degree in Law and Diplomacy at the Riga Graduate School of Law, whilst combining it with her work as a legal assistant in a law firm. Her previous experiences include an internship in the Asia and Oceania Division of the Second Bilateral Relations Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia, as well as active participation in volunteering projects on SDGs among other topics.
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Latvia
Project Manager & Communication Manager
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Zane holds a Master’s degree in Strategic Communication, and currently works for the Latvian Paralympic committee as a project manager and PR specialist. Zane is also a volunteer at Yes Family Latvia - movement, which aims at helping young people to find their passion. On top of this, she volunteers at a refugee organisation in Latvia and owns the podcast “Latvijas Dēkaiņi”, focusing on inspiring Latvian figures. Zane is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

Mr Gustavs UPMANIS
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Founder
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Gustav is working in the business and IT management sector and developed the youth opportunity platform "All Opportunities", which provides a space for interactions between NGOs and businesses with young people. Gustav co-founded a COVID-relief voluntary movement in Latvia, which served as a mediator between the call hotline and an online app for volunteers.

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Laura is pursuing her PhD in Psychology at the Vytautas Magnus University in Kaunas (Lithuania). She is working as coordinator of the international TRIPS project funded by the EU and is currently the director of the NGO The Fifth Corner, where she implements workshops and activities for young people coming from Lithuania and abroad. Laura is also a youth researcher at the Lithuanian Youth Researcher Committee and has more than five years of experiences as youth trainer and lecturer. Laura is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

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Ieva graduated from the Queen Mary University of London with a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Finance, during which she underwent an exchange year in the University of California, Santa Cruz. She is currently doing a European Voluntary Service in Ankara, Turkey, working with an NGO to improve Youth Mobility between Turkey and EU countries.

Ms Katie EITLER
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Katie holds a Master's degree in Development Studies from the University of Sussex and a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Katie spent many years active in Luxembourg and European youth parliaments. She is currently interning remotely at the Institute for Philanthropy and Humanitarian Development, a grassroots, women's empowerment NGO based in northern India.

Mr Maurice GAJAN
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Assistant China-Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce

Maurice holds a Bachelor's degree in International Studies from the Leiden University and a Master's degree in China Studies, International Relations and Politics from the Peking University. There, Maurice researched on China’s evolving role in the Middle East and North Africa region. Maurice previously worked for the United Nations Office for the Coordination for Humanitarian Affairs in Khartoum, Sudan and the Center for Arab-West Understanding in Cairo, Egypt.
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Marleen holds a Bachelor's degree in Transnational Law, a Master’s degree in European Law as well as an LLM in European Banking and Financial law from the University of Luxembourg. She is currently working for the Luxembourgish Central Bank. Marleen has volunteering experiences in advocacy on the protection of asylum seekers and in the organisation of projects giving visibility to the SDGs.

Mr Yik Wai CHEE

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Yik Wai holds a Bachelor’s degree in Law from the Multimedia University majoring in Cyber Law. He is the co-founder of the Crowdsukan project, a crowdsourcing platform for sport infrastructures and sustainable sport solutions, and Malaysian member at the UNESCO Youth and Sport Task Force within the APEC region. Yik Wai has recently become a freelance author for the Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post on intercultural understanding and sport diplomacy.

Mr Jonathan DASON

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Jonathan holds a degree in International Studies. After finishing his degree, he has worked as Economics & Policy Consultant and served under the Malaysian Minister of Foreign Affairs as a Perdana Fellow. He is currently a Go-to-Market Strategist at Digi Telecommunications. Additionally, he serves as the Vice President at the United Nations Association Malaysia Youth.

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Eira graduated with a Bachelor's degree in English for International Communication from the International Islamic University Malaysia and serves as Communications and Capacity Building Officer on SDGs for the All-Party Parliamentary Group Malaysia. As a Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative Fellow, she organised two regional projects addressing the issue of gender discrimination and sustainable fashion. Eira volunteers with the Malaysian Youth Delegation, an organisation educating Malaysians on climate change policy, advocacy, and negotiations process. Eira is an ASEFEdu alumnus.
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Ms Lisa ZAMMIT
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Ma Mya graduated with a Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from Victoria University of Wellington. She is working voluntarily as an educational consultant by distance at the same private school. To help young students get access to education while basic education schools remained closed in her home state amidst the civil war and the COVID-19 pandemic, she led her school to implement the very first online education platform for basic education level students.

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Shin Min is a Master's degree student at Mandalay University, studying International Relations. She is currently working for the International Organisation for Migration as Community Project Assistant and was active at Myanmar Youth Empowerment Opportunities (MYEO), where she participated in soft skills and digital skills improvement programmes. Shin Min is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

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Pyae holds a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Rangsit University and is on the path of pursuing a Master's degree in Water Engineering and Management at the Asian Institute of Technology. Currently, she is working on her research which focuses on Water-Energy-Carbon nexus in industries. Pyae has actively partaken in various conferences and training courses and has also actively volunteered as a provisional teacher in remote villages of Chiang Rai, Thailand.
Mr Bart HEUTS  
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Bart is finishing his Master's degree in International Relations & Diplomacy, a jointly taught programme by Leiden University and the Clingendael Institute. Previously, Bart interned at the Netherlands Embassy in Hanoi as Research Assistant in the Economic Affairs team, specifically initiating market studies on opportunities for the Dutch and Vietnamese agricultural sector. During his Bachelor's degree at Utrecht University, Bart co-organised a 6-week research project on the resilience of Suriname's civil society.

Mr Marcel KEMPERS  
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Marcel completed his Bachelor's degree in Aerospace Engineering at the TU Delft and has started his Master's degree in Management of Technology. He also runs two companies: Pyropower and Reef Support. Pyropower, a company that helps farmers manage organic waste with a decentralised machine to get clean energy. Reef Support is a start-up that uses satellite data to help aquafarmers and coral nurseries manage their reefs more effectively.

Ms Helen NAGELHOUT  
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Helen graduated with a Bachelor's degree in History Teaching and is currently a Master’s student at the University of Humanistic Studies in Utrecht, where she is training to become a humanist chaplain. She has previously volunteered at the Speeltuinbende, where children with and without disabilities test playgrounds on their accessibility. She has been the President of the Christian Students Nijmegen as well as a delegate for the youth organisation AEGEE Nijmegen.

Ms Lila MADDEN  
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Lila served for over four years on the Sustainability Council, winning the Zayed Future Energy Prize for successfully reducing school energy consumption. She co-founded the inaugural Environment Canterbury Youth Council, giving youth a voice on environmental matters in their region. Recently she served as a United Nations Volunteer for Meg Wah and was a part of the Leadership Committee for the women's empowerment organisation The Period Place.
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Sabrina has recently completed a Bachelor’s degree of Business at the Auckland University of Technology, majoring in Human Resource Management and Employment Relations. She is currently working as a Youth Advisor for the New Zealand Electoral Commission (Te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri), where her area of work focuses on Community Engagement across various creative avenues. Sabrina is active in various youth organisations, such as the Pacific Climate Warriors, the UNESCO Aotearoa Youth Leaders, and AIESEC.

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Pratibha has recently completed a Bachelor’s degree on Global Studies at the University of Auckland. In 2019, she was named a Prime Minister’s Scholar and this year, she has received the prestigious Kupe Leadership Scholarship to study a Master’s degree in Indigenous Studies. Pratibha currently works as the South Asia Engagement and Partnerships lead at the Human Rights Measurement Initiative, the first global and collaborative initiative working to systematically track the human rights performance of countries around the world.

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Taylor is currently finishing his Bachelor’s degree in Communication Studies from the Auckland University of Technology. He is a part-time reporter for Debate Magazine and Te Waha Nui News, writing on subjects including Māori language within NZ, the identity of biracial students in university and the 2020 NZ Cannabis Referendum. Taylor has also worked with Vice News as part of their 2020 Creative Summit on Climate Change and interned at Radio New Zealand.

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