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Tony is a Strategy and Performance Lead at Sustainability Victoria with the Victorian State Government. Tony holds a Bachelor of Environments with majors in Property, Urban Design, and Planning at the University of Melbourne. In 2020, Tony was appointed as an UN SDSN Youth Local Pathways Fellow for Sustainable Development Goal 11 - Sustainable Cities and Communities, where he has developed cross-cultural experience in co-designing and co-implementing programmes that champion local pathways to sustainable development. With a research interest in smart cities, Tony strives to apply creative thinking in developing city-shaping solutions.

Mr Harry MANN
Australia
Founder & Director
Future

Harry is Architect and Entrepreneur. Harry holds a Master's degree in Advanced Architecture, as well as a Master of Business Administration. In 2020 he founded Future, which is now the leading architecture firm in Cambodia. Located in Phnom Penh, the firm promotes equal opportunity employment, as well as being a leader in gender equality in the sector. The name of the firm - Future - focuses on the future of People with upskilling and development, the future of Systems by using leading international design standards and practices, as well as the future of Software by delivering our projects using world class software such as BIM, Virtual Reality and AI. Harry is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

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Christina has a Bachelor's degree in Export-oriented Management from the IMC Krems. Her academic journey includes Erasmus+ Exchanges in the Netherlands and Germany, an exchange programme on Sustainable Development by TCS Education System, and a Summer School on Chinese Language and Culture at NSYSU, Taiwan. Christina has gained work experience at the Austrian Cultural Forum in Warsaw, and in the NGO and sustainable startup sector. Currently, she is interning at the Austrian Agency for Education and Internationalisation in Vienna. Christina is active in the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) locally at the University of Vienna, as well as in the International Committee for Education.

Ms Valerie-Sophie SCHOENBERG
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Valerie-Sophie works at the intersection of innovation, entrepreneurship and sustainability with expertise in circular economy strategies and systemic organisational development. As Advisor of the Circular Economy Forum Austria, lecturer at universities of applied sciences and co-founder of the Viennese consulting network CIRCULAR COCREATION, she acts as a multiplier for a regenerative future. Valerie-Sophie holds a Bachelor's degree in European Studies from Maastricht University, and a Master's degree in Socio-Economics from WU Vienna. Valerie-Sophie is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.
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Sandra is an Assistant at the Embassy of Japan in Austria. As a graduate student in East Asian Studies with a focus on Europe-Asia cultural relations, she has lived and studied in Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan. Sandra is a Board Member of the Student Think Tank for Europe-Asia Relations (STEAR), where she is actively supporting youth involvement in policy making. In her endeavour to empower fellow youth, she organises workshops and mentoring programs for the "Netzwerk Junge Generation Deutschland Korea" and holds a central role in a yearly grassroots conference called Young-Indo Pacific Forum. Sandra is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Ms Mayabee ARANNYA
Bangladesh
Lead
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Mayabee is the Lead of Kotha, a feminist youth-led organisation that fights the root causes of gender-based violence in Bangladesh. Mayabee and her team facilitate Bangladesh’s first fully youth-led comprehensive sexuality education programme. Mayabee is a Global Advisory Board Member of Our Universe Rising. She is the co-author of Bangladesh’s first youth-centred Peer Education Training Manual, winner of the Share-Net International Small Grants. In 2022, she was selected as a LeadNext Fellow: Ambassador for a Global Future by The Asia Foundation. In 2023, she was named a Visionary Leader by Vital Voices and the Estée Lauder Emerging Leaders Fund.

Ms Nowshin Tarannum ISLAM
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Nowshin is currently an undergraduate student at Esade Business School, Ramon Llull University in Barcelona, Spain. She is part of the first cohort of the Bachelor’s degree in Transformational Leadership and Social Impact, a multidisciplinary programme designed to address societal and environmental challenges through business. She is also an impact consultant at 180DC Barcelona, a student-led, non-profit consultancy focused on enhancing the effectiveness of non-profit organisations and social enterprises worldwide. In the past, she has worked with youth-led, non-profit organisations, teaching computers to intellectually disabled children and promoting mental health among high-school students.

Ms Shamsun NAHAR
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Software Engineer
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Shamsun is a Software Engineer at Brandcloud. She has a Bachelor’s in Computer Science & Engineering from Daffodil International University. Shamsun previously worked as a MakerLab Outreach Officer at the Edward M. Kennedy Center in Dhaka. She is passionate about accessible STEM education opportunities and is actively involved in "STEM for Super Girls," a non-profit organisation. Furthermore, she is an alumnus of the Platinum Jubilee Women in Leadership programme by the British Council Bangladesh and serves as an Ambassador of Women Techmakers by Google. Shamsun is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.
Mr Ergys BROCAJ
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Ergys holds a Master’s degree in International and European Law from Ghent University, with a focus on international economic law and the law on the EU’s external relations. During his studies Ergys interned at the Ministry of Justice of Belgium and the Belgian Foreign Trade Agency. Ergys is a regular speaker on the topics of democracy, rule of law and connectivity in Europe, and has worked with European institutions, the Council of Europe and European organisations. He was selected to be the youth representative of Belgium to the Conference on the Future of Europe. Recently, Ergys was recognised as a European young leader at the EU-ASEAN Young Leaders Forum. Ergys is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Mr Rembert JONCKHEERE
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Rembert is a passionate educator with a Master’s degree in educational sciences, driving innovation through the intersections of education, technology, and global development. Currently he works at UNESCO as a Digital Business Solutions to develop a new online community platform for three major UNESCO educational networks. Bachelor’s degree in Philosophy and a Bachelor’s degree in Mathematics’ and Physics’ teaching. As a young teacher he co-developed a new secondary school in Brussels, Campus Comenius, in a hyper diverse context involving the application of new teaching methodologies. Rembert is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Ms Gabriela BAMBIN
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Marketing Expert
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Gabriela completed her Bachelor’s degree in Management with Marketing at Robert Gordon University in Scotland, UK. She currently works as a Marketing Expert in the construction sector. Gabriela has completed a consultancy project with a charity organisation VSA, focused on launching a Brick-by-Brick initiative, aimed to raise funds for the building of a new mental health facility in the heart of Aberdeen, Scotland. She researches and writes independently about the topics of human behaviour, digitalisation, and philosophy in the contemporary world.

Mr Dimitar FERDINANDOV
Bulgaria
Student
University of Birmingham

Dimitar is an aerospace engineering student pursuing a Master’s degree at the University of Birmingham. Alongside his academic interests in space exploration and the democratisation of access to space data for earth-observational purposes, Dimitar has been actively involved in processes to strengthen youth participation in policymaking in Bulgaria and across the European Union. He has rich experience with Bulgarian Youth Delegates to the UN programme and was recently a Bulgarian Youth Delegate to the Council of the EU. Dimitar is the founder of a National Student Parliament in Bulgaria, which aims to provide the necessary tribune for an effective dialogue with educational and youth institutions.
Mr Pirun CHAN
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Graduate Student The London School of Economics and Political Science

Pirun is an incoming Master’s degree student in Development Studies at the London School of Economics and Political Science. He previously worked as an economist in charge of overseeing real and fiscal sectors at the International Monetary Fund's Resident Representative Office in Cambodia. Prior to that, he worked as an economist in charge of statistics and economic analysis at the General Department of Policy of Cambodia’s Ministry of Economy and Finance. He is also the founder of Circular Digital Lab Cambodia, where he coordinates programmes to narrow the digital divide in Cambodia. Pirun is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Ms Nara SAGN
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Co-Founder Toptimize & Wellbeing Advancement Organization

Nara has a Master of Entrepreneurship and Innovation degree from Birkbeck, University of London through the Chevening Scholarship. As the co-founder and Chief Business Officer of Toptimize and co-owner of Blockchain Café, She is also the co-founder of the Wellbeing Advancement Organization, a non-profit that focuses on promoting entrepreneurial leaders through wellbeing, and sustainable innovation. In addition, Nara enjoys supporting early-stage startups and training potential startups for pitching opportunities, creating a vibrant investment landscape in Cambodia. Nara is also the Director of Programme for the British Chevening Alumni Association of Cambodia.

Ms Zhe CUI
China

Doctoral Student University College Dublin

Zhe Cui has currently pursuing a Doctoral degree in Engineering at University College Dublin. She has also a Bachelor's and a Master's degree in Computer Science from South East Technological University and University College Dublin, respectively. Zhe is conducting research on the topic of AI-based IoT applications which includes machine learning, sensory data analysis, computer vision and multi-modal analysis. As a young researcher, she has been published in the Engineering domain in respectable journals and conferences. Zhe aims to continue with her research with the aim of working on applications that will improve the life of people.

Mr Lian DUAN
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Doctoral Student Comillas Pontifical University of Spain

Lian is pursuing a Doctoral degree at Comillas Pontifical University of Spain. His field of research is private international law and related laws in Latin America. His doctoral topic focuses on the legal issues of Chinese companies investing in Latin America. He founded UMUNC, one of the largest Model United Nations organisations in Asia, and actively mobilised Chinese youth to participate in the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals. In Spain, he is committed to promoting exchanges between Chinese and Spanish youth, he founded a youth club for Chinese students studying abroad in Spain to help more Chinese students adapt to life in Spain. He organises an activity forum for Chinese and Spanish youth exchanges every year.
Mr Nan HAO  
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Nan is WSD-Handa Fellow at Pacific Forum. He has worked with the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat, ASEAN-China Centre and other East Asia regional organisations. Nan has been involved in several book projects including Artificial Intelligence and Global Governance, Overseas Risk Prevention and Reduction for Institutions and Individuals. He has represented China at Youth20 2021 - G20 Italy Summit's Youth Engagement Group, and Pacific Economic Cooperation Council’s Next-Generation Programme. Nan holds a Master's degree in Public Policy from National University of Singapore. Nan is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

Mr Jun YE  
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Graduate Student  
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Jun recently achieved his Bachelor's degree in East Asia Studies, majoring in Japanese studies at the University of Salamanca. Jun partook in an academic exchange in Japan as a recipient of the Kokugakuin University Scholarship in 2022, leading him to pursue a Master's degree in East Asia Studies at the University of Salamanca. Jun has participated in the XV National and VI International Congress of the Association for Japanese studies in Spain, and was an Assistant at the III International Congress of the Spanish Association for East Asian Studies, both were held in Salamanca.

Mr Runpeng ZHAO  
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Runpeng holds a Master's degree in Urban Planning from Columbia University in the City of New York, and a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. Runpeng currently works for China Three Gorges Europe as the Greenfield Development Manager, where he seeks to promote the practice of renewable energy development in European Countries by Chinese enterprises.

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Svea holds a Master's Degree in Educational Rehabilitation (Disability Studies). She is an Assistant at the Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Zagreb and a Gestalt psychotherapist-in-training at the IGW Centre in Zagreb. Her previous professional experiences include working as a school counsellor in primary and secondary schools, owning a private practice for educational rehabilitation, and working as an expert associate for programmes and projects in the field of sexual violence prevention in Women's Room. She is an author of an educational children's book "Zlata and the Magic Threads" and a co-author of several publications in the field of child sexual abuse prevention. Svea is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.
Mr Dominik LEVANIĆ
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Dominik is a Vision Systems Engineer at RONNA MEDICAL Ltd. He has a Master’s degree in Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, and in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Zagreb. He has significant experience on development of robotic systems & mechanical engineering working for various companies and organisations, including the Institute for Nuclear Technology.

Mr Leonardo MIODRAG
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Partner
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Leonardo is a Partner and CMO at Scale incubator in Aalborg, Denmark. He completed a Professional Bachelor's degree in Digital Concept Development at the University College of Northern Denmark, further honing his expertise in digital innovation. In addition to his academic and entrepreneurial endeavours, Leonardo has been an active member of the European Apprentices Network (EAN). He participated in various projects organised by the European Commission and the European Parliament on topics related to lifelong learning, apprenticeships, and vocational education. Leonardo is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Mr Nicholas GERMANACOS
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Nicholas is a Research Manager for the Department of Health and Social Care in the United Kingdom. A policy professional, he has worked for the European Commission, the British government and various NGOs on issues from global nutrition, assistance to refugees, the COVID-19 pandemic, regional growth, environmental science and astrophysics. Nicholas has lived in Kazakhstan, Romania, France and Greece, and speaks eight languages to a conversational level - English, Greek, Spanish, French, Dutch, Mandarin, Turkish, Mandarin and Japanese.

Mr Ondřej MATOUŠEK
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Student
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Ondřej is currently a student at the VSB - Technical University of Ostrava. He has a Bachelor's degree in Energetics. Ondřej is the Vice President of his local Erasmus Student Network (ESN) chapter and with the ESN team takes care of the international students from all over the world. Last year he took part in an Erasmus+ exchange and studied at the University of Córdoba in Spain.
Ms Klára SOMMEROVÁ
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Klára holds Master’s degrees in both Law and Journalism and currently works as Legal Counsel for UK and Italian markets at Reckitt Benckiser. She has experience in law firms working on media law, entertainment law, intellectual property, data protection and IT law as well as projects involving AI and IoT innovations. Klára is active in events organised by the European Youth Press, the European Parliament, European University Institute and the Council of Europe, and is an alumnus of the Aspen Young Leaders Program. She regularly devotes her time to publishing, lecturing and promoting the need for transformation of media ethics and literacy on local and EU level. Klára is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Ms Caroline LEDERTOUG
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Office Coordinator
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Caroline works in a tech-software start up as an Office Coordinator, and uses her free time to pursue her interest in international politics and development. Caroline has extensive experience volunteering and working abroad having lived in Palestine, Togo, Greece, Bruxelles and Kenya in the last 5 years working for NGO's, EU institutions and the Danish Foreign Ministry. In Copenhagen she is currently volunteering as a Project lead with a Save the Children project at a refugee centre in Denmark and coordinating an Election Observation mission to Poland with Silba.

Mr Mart KIIS
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Climate Policy Adviser
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Mart holds a Master’s degree in biology from the University of Tartu. He has been working on environmental issues throughout his professional career, gaining a wide perspective from different angles. He is currently working at the Estonian Ministry of Climate as a Climate Policy Adviser, focusing on land use. He has been negotiating EU climate policy initiatives and implementing policy measures on a local level, bridging biodiversity and climate change issues.

Mr Matti VÄLIPAKKA
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Student
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Matti is currently pursuing his Bachelor's degree in Politics and Communication at the University of Helsinki. His main subject is International Relations, with a focus on Communications as well as Western European Politics. Matti has taken part in a multitude of student's associations in leading roles, including serving as the acting Treasurer in the UN Youth of Helsinki. He also has ongoing projects in inclusive value transformation as well as substantial coaching and leadership experience in the Finnish sport of Boffering.
Ms Chloé-Désirée BEUGNIES
France
Chief Officer
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Chloé-Désirée currently serves as a public official for the City Hall of Paris where she manages the Professional School, and acts as the scientific and technical advisor, of the Waste Management Department (DPE). She holds a French Engineering's Degree and an Executive Master's Degree in EU studies which she decided to pursue after completing an enriching traineeship at the European Investment Bank. Additionally, Chloé-Désirée has had the opportunity to further her education at several prestigious universities like King's College London, Hertie School and Sungkyunkwan University.

Mr Elliott BOUMRAR
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Elliott has a Master's degree in European Affairs from the College of Europe. Previously, he studied International Relations, Business Strategy, Political Science, and Cultural Anthropology, at Sciences Po and Toulouse University. Elliott is currently a Managing Consultant with the BPCE Group, and has experience working primarily in the financial sector, as a legal expert in public law, an executive coach, and a professional speaker. Elliott is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Ms Chloé WEBER
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Chloe is currently pursuing a Master's degree in the University of Salamanca in East Asian Studies, and a Master's degree in Sciences Po, Lille in Peace, Humanitarian help and Development. She has gained experience in an NGO helping immigrants in Spain, and as a Delegate of the 45th French national session of the European Youth Parliament (EYP). She has written articles about international dynamics and social issues for her university’s newspaper. Her interests lie in International Relations, mostly in Eastern Asia, and in societies' challenges such as feminism, education, health or political participation. She speaks French, Spanish, English and German fluently and is learning Japanese.

Ms Olivia PARCZYK
Germany
Liaison Officer
Erasmus Student Network
Olivia has been ESN's Liaison Officer for Asia for several years, prior to which she was the President of ESN Germany. In those positions, she gained practical leadership skills and became acquainted with higher education policymaking in both Europe and Asia. Within her work with ESN, she also completed an internal training for trainers to build her facilitation skills. Olivia holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Cologne, Germany, and is currently finishing her Master's degree at Keio University, Japan, where she will continue with her Doctoral degree. She is also a research assistant in a project on leadership in medicine at a German university hospital.
Mr Marc RICHLY

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StartIn Lab

Marc is a youth entrepreneur building the first app-based incubator in Europe. Prior to co-founding StartIn Lab, he has worked at the digital consulting team of BCG in Berlin and as a data analyst at a startup in Tel Aviv. Now, with StartIn Lab, he focuses on fostering innovation at universities and to increase the number of successful start-ups founded by young entrepreneurs. Marc has studied in Pretoria, Munich, and London and holds a Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration and is pursuing his Master’s degree in Business Analytics at Imperial College London. He has been recognised as a Leader of Tomorrow by St. Gallen University and received the Dean’s Award for Inspiring Brilliant Minds by Imperial College London.

Mr Dimitrios ASPROULIS

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Customer Success Specialist
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Dimitrios is pursuing a Master's degree in Management & Innovation at the Harvard University Extension School and works as a Customer Success Specialist at EDGE Strategy. He holds Bachelor's degrees in Law, and Communication & International Relations, from the University of Athens and the American College of Greece, respectively. Dimitrios has pitched at the European Parliament and the World Innovation Economics conference. He has been recognised as a Leader of Tomorrow at the St. Gallen Symposium, CEO for One Month at Adecco Group Greece, L’Oreal Tech Brandstorm winner, and FT Talent Ambassador. Dimitrios is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

Ms Domna FOURNARAKI

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Domna has an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degree in Human Rights Policy and Practice from the University of Gothenburg, the University of Deusto, University of Roehampton and Arctic University of Norway. During her studies she conducted fieldwork on child pregnancy in Tanzania for her thesis. She is a licensed social worker with experience at the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and other NGOs. Domna has a Bachelor’s degree in Social Work, and a Master's degree in Social Work in Education with a strong commitment to advancing social justice and advocating for the human rights of refugees and those seeking asylum.

Ms Petra GOMBÁR

Hungary
Student
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Petra is a student at Corvinus University of Budapest studying International Relations with a focus on European Integration. As Vice President for External Relations at AEGEE-Budapest, Petra organises external events and maintains European level connections. She has participated in an exchange semester in Tilburg, The Netherlands.
Mr Ganesh GITE
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Ganesh has a Master’s degree in Cybersecurity. He previously served as a Former Fellow at the Chief Minister's office in Maharashtra, India, where he worked to advance the state's technological landscape and governance. Ganesh was honoured as a Government of Ireland Scholar, he is currently devoted to securing critical infrastructure projects for the Ireland Government. Ganesh has also been involved in social startups, where he has demonstrated his commitment to youth-related initiatives and education governance and policy work. He is a founding member of the Center for Education, Governance, and Policy (CEGP) foundation, where he organized significant events like the Youth Conclave in India.

Mr Abhishek VATS
India
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Abhishek is an advocate at bar, practising in Delhi, India. He is a judicial aspirant and is preparing for Judicial services exams in India. Abhishek the Director of Research at ASEAN Youth Organization (AYO) and is the Co-founder of AYO Recent, an international research centre which studies and demystifies Human rights, Environment and Economy from the lens of the youth. Through AYO Recent Abhishek has mentored over 60 researchers, has led and advised various research projects, he is passionate about legal literacy, inclusivity, responsible governance and accountable and reliable news/media reporting.

Mr Andrey ASIAN
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Andrey has a Master’s degree in Management (Accounting and Finance) from the University of Melbourne. He works as a Transport Team Assistant at the World Bank in PNG and Pacific Islands. Andrey has extensive experience in supporting sustainable infrastructure and transportation projects in Pacific Island countries and Indonesia. He represented Indonesia in the fully funded Young Leader in Action programme, organised by Canada World Youth. During this programme, he worked collaboratively and raised CA$1,000, constructing 15 public sinks, and planting over 1,000 mangroves. His dedication lies in tackling extreme poverty and promoting shared prosperity in a sustainable manner.

Ms Brelyantika JESA
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Recent Graduate
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master’s

Brelyantika has an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master’s degree in Social Work with Children and Youth from Mykolas Romeris University, Riga Stradins University, the Catholic University in Ruzomberok and the ISCTE University of Lisbon. Berlyantika developed a social organisation in Jepara, Indonesia to support young people which is called “Panti Carita” in 2020.
Mr Yusril NURHIDAYAT
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Yusril graduated with distinction from NYU Abu Dhabi with a Bachelor’s degree in Social Research and Public Policy, specialising in Sociocultural Anthropology, Applied Performing Arts, and German. He is interested in employing performing arts for social equity and ultimately transnational activism. Yusril is affiliated as a researcher with NYU Anthropocene Research Kitchen. Given his passion for youth empowerment, Yusril has been involved in 10+ cross-regional youth collaborations. He currently serves as the Co-President of STEAR, and the Advisory Board Chair for Bangun Bangsa Indonesia, a national youth volunteering organisation he co-founded. Yusril is an ASEF Edu Alumnus.

Mr Hansen WIGUNA
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Recent Graduate Student
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Hansen has recently completed a Master's degree in Urban Spatial Science from the University College London (UCL). He was chosen for the Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative Professional Fellows Programme (YSEALI PFP) in the United States in 2022. Hansen formerly worked as a Product Manager at the Ministry of Health of Indonesia’s Digital Transformation Office and as a Business Analyst at Jakarta Smart City. In 2022, he and his team won the “Best Solution” category at a Hack-at-ICE (Hackathon) in London. In 2023, he and his team were named first-place winners of the PPI London Business Case Competition ‘Globalising SME’ in London.

Mr Fred KEE
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Undergraduate Student
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Fred is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Finance and Economics from Atlantic Technological University. Fred is an experienced Irish Junior Sailing instructor and is a member of a society team that won 2nd place in Goodbody's student management fund competition. His years of teaching sailing made him passionate about the protection and development of biodiversity and sustainability. Frederick has had a hidden disability since birth. This made him more personally aware of disabled hardships experienced in everyday life.

Ms Eva O'BYRNE
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Eva has a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Galway. Currently, she works as a Research Assistant with Active*Consent, an interdisciplinary project that delivers sexual consent education to students and young people. Through her work with Active* Consent, she has been invited to present research at conferences for the World Association for Sexual Health and the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. She is also involved in SpunOut - Ireland's youth information website, and was previously a member of the Council of Europe Bioethics Youth Forum.
Ms Agnese CIGLIANO

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Agnese is a Lawyer and the Founder of Aasté Rugs. She is also currently working as Programme Coordinator at Breakthrough Global and she collaborates with the Diversity Trust, the ONE Campaign, Democracy Volunteers, and the London branch of Young Professionals in Foreign Policy. Agnese has taken part in a number of international assemblies and facilitated negotiations aimed at including underrepresented groups in decision making processes, particularly in occasion of consultations organised in coordination with UNDPI and UNESCO. Agnese is a trustee of Being the Cure and is involved in a number of volunteering initiatives. Agnese is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Mr René NEUMANN

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Recent Student
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René has recently graduated from King's College London with a Bachelor's degree in International Relations, with an Erasmus+ exchange at Sciences Po Paris. He has experience as a writer and editor at the European Studies Review and European Guanxi, as well as Eastwest, one of Italy's most renowned geopolitical magazines. René's other interests include EU-China relations, migration policy, human rights, and environmental policy. He is fluent in English, Italian, Spanish and French, and basic Chinese. René plans to pursue a Master's degree in European Affairs with a specialisation in Sino-European relations and migration.

Ms Naho CHUJO

Japan

Graduate Student
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Naho holds a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Engineering and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Water Resources Engineering at the University of Stuttgart, Germany. She is a scholarship holder from DAAD, and a former vice president of the International Association of Hydro-Environmental Engineering and Research Baden-Württemberg. Her passion for water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) has led her intern with UNICEF in Nepal, where she aims to contribute to improving the lives of communities in need.

Mr Yusuke KAGA

Japan

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Yusuke is a Startup Supporter & Consultant at the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO). With a passion for leveraging technology and innovation to drive positive social impact, he has a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry from Tohoku University in Japan, and a Master's degree in Biomedical Engineering from Paris Tech, where he gained valuable experience through internships with biomedical software startups in France. Yusuke previously worked for the Economist Group and Mashup-R. Yusuke is an active member of the Young Professionals in Foreign Policy (YPFP) Tokyo and is involved in the Local Conference of Youth (LCOY) as a YPFP Tokyo member. Yusuke is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.
Ms Emilie UEHARA  
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Emilie has a Bachelor’s degree in French linguistics and political studies from Sophia University in Tokyo, and is currently pursuing a Master’s degree in European Governance at the University of Luxembourg. Her academic research focuses on sustainable development and migration issues, where she has worked closely with local NGOs through her volunteering activity to support immigrant integration. As a committee member and publication editor at the Luxembourg Diplomacy Lab, she has played a pivotal role in the lab’s inauguration, successfully contributing to its first dedicated publication.

Mr Tomas AKYNOV  
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Graduate Student  
Nazarbayev University  
Tomas works as a Research and Development specialist at the Eurasia Foundation of Central Asia. In addition, Tomas is pursuing a Master's degree in Public Administration at the Graduate School of Public Policy at Nazarbayev University. Tomas founded a sustainable fashion brand that uses industrial hemp and apple leather as an eco-friendly alternative to conventional fashion materials. He was in the co-founding team of the Connect-Ed initiative that works on the reduction of the digital divide in Kazakhstan among children. Furthermore, Tomas led AIESEC in Kazakhstan with over 80 members as its President and volunteered with Global Shapers Kuala Lumpur. Tomas is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

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Mukhtar is pursuing a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science and International Relations at Nazarbayev University. Mukhtar has taken part in conferences at the international level such as Water for Sustainable Development, Dushanbe Water Process and others. Mukhtar serves as a Project Manager at SDSN Kazakhstan Youth Initiative, focusing on climate change and sustainable development projects. Mukhtar is the main editor of the journal “Sustainability in Stories”. He coordinated LCOY - Qazaqstan and RCOY-CA supported by YOUNGO. He is an Intern at the World Bank Initiative for Climate Resilience in Central Asia.

Ms Hyeongyo SUH  
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Hyeongyo is an Adolescent Development Officer at UNICEF, where she is focused on equipping young individuals with the essential competencies and tools to actively engage in the transitioning Green Economy, enhancing their skills and employability in Green Skills and Green Jobs. Hyeongyo has been a Youth Delegate to the United Nations, Representative Mentor at SAMSUNG, and Representative of Korean Youth at the 19th Tripartite Environment Ministers Meeting. Hyeongyo has work experience at UNESCO Asia-Pacific and the Korean Government. She has received the Talent Award of Korea and was the esteemed winner of The Korean Peninsula Policy Consensus.
Mr Phouphet CHITTAPHONE
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Phouphet is pursuing a Master’s degree at the University of Debrecen in Environmental Engineering. He has worked at the Natural Resources Management, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction Unit at the United Nations Development Programme Lao PDR. Phouphet is the founder of ASEAN Voices Climate Change Project, which aims to raise awareness and support the young generation to show their potential and their abilities through their voices via our social media platforms to change the world into the future.

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Co-founder
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Anzelika holds a Bachelor's Degree in International Relations - European studies. She has been working as a youth worker and is the Erasmus + International Youth Projects coordinator. She has been engaged in voluntary activities in several NGOs and organised activities for young people with fewer opportunities. She manages different youth educational projects in the field of non-formal education. Anzelika participated in various conferences on the disclosure of youth potential, represented the voice of national minorities, and participated in working groups to support young people on her experience of working with the society of hearing-impaired and visually impaired people.

Ms Austė ŠILKAITYTĖ
Lithuania
Student
ISM University of Management and Economics

Austė is an Entrepreneurship and Innovation student at ISM University of Management and Economics. She undertook an Erasmus+ exchange at BI Norwegian Business School and is now doing her second exchange at EDHEC Business School in Nice, France. Austė works for Junior Achievement as a marketing and communication coordinator, participates in EdTech Lithuania activity, and mentors youth at Leaders incubator. Besides social work, Austė organises the camp “Future Visioniers” for high school students and participates in various startup ecosystem events to gain the resources needed to create innovations for youth education and growth.

Ms Sara GABRIELLI
Luxembourg
Student
University of Luxembourg

Sara is pursuing a Bachelor’s degree in Law at the University of Luxembourg, and is currently a Youth Delegate to the European Union where she represents the youth of Luxembourg. Sara actively represented the youth of Luxembourg through her role as Vice-President at the Luxembourg Youth Parliament and was a delegate at the Parlement Francophone des Jeunes, a youth parliament for French-speaking countries. Sara has extensive experience working to empower women, co-founding the Luxembourg branch of the Women2Women association. Sara is completing a volunteering trip to Bonnievale, South Africa, where she is working to improve the conditions of a primary school.
**Ms Sarah MACKEL**  
Luxembourg  
Student  
University of St Andrews

Sarah is currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Medicine and Surgery at the University of St Andrews. Prior to university, Sarah was a guest speaker at the Luxembourg Institute of Administration's 21st Century Board Leadership course, and has spoken at Youth Forum Switzerland. At university, Sarah volunteers as a Committee Member with Students for Global Health, a student-run think tank. She has recently interned with a Neurosurgical team at Hôpital Foch and worked alongside the Digital Medicine team at the Luxembourg Institute of Health. She has presented her projects at three international youth science events, and is a Regeneron ISEF alumnus.

**Ms Amanda WALTER MOJILIP**  
Malaysia  
Media Unit Coordinator and Community Filmmaker  
PACOS Trust

Amanda serves as the Media Unit Coordinator and Community Filmmaker, playing a crucial role in advocating for indigenous rights and preserving their unique cultures. Amanda's passion for storytelling has led to the successful production of four impactful short documentaries. Her expertise as an interpreter for Bahasa Malaysia and Kadazandusun languages is highly sought after, facilitating seamless communication during conferences, workshops, and publications focused on indigenous peoples in Sabah. With a profound understanding of their issues, Amanda ensures meaningful participation for indigenous participants from her region in these events.

**Ms Elaine YEAP**  
Malaysia  
Student  
Technical University of Munich

Elaine, a dedicated healthcare enthusiast, is pursuing a Master's Degree at the Technical University of Munich and has a Bachelor’s Degree in Mechanical Engineering in Universiti Sains Malaysia. Prior to working in global pharmaceutical company, Elaine served her clients as a management consultant in the ASEAN countries. Elaine was also a Perdana Fellow in 2017, shadowing the former Minister of Transport Malaysia and ASEAN Youth Fellow in 2018. She serves as a committee member in various impactful initiatives, including Kuala Lumpur Creative Economy Forum 2021, Malaysia Youth Economic Forum 2017-19, Teach for Malaysia Campus Leader Project 2017-18, and IAESTE Finland 2016.

**Ms Mariah ZAMMIT**  
Malta  
Student  
University of Malta

Mariah is pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology with a focus on political and social psychology. Mariah participated in the prestigious Rome International Model United Nations (IMUN) simulation, where she received the Honourable Delegate Award. Mariah assumed the role of Head of Delegation for Malta in MEP Europe, a platform that advocates for youth issues at a pan-European level. She is actively engaged with the European Youth Forum (YFJ) and has been actively involved in the National Youth Council of Malta for two years. Her dedication to empowering Maltese youth has earned her the esteemed position of President, making her the youngest individual to lead the council.
Mr Sainsanaa ERDENE-OD
Mongolia
Undsen erkh Law Firm

Sainsanaa is a lawyer with 6 years of experience at the law firm ‘Undsen erkh’, where he has honed his skills as an attorney providing comprehensive legal counsel and representation. Engaging in various youth volunteer work, he has actively participated in Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) campaigns, tackling global challenges such as quality education, and climate change. Additionally, his passion for environmental causes has led him to be part of multiple environmental fellowships.

Mr Si Thu WAI
Myanmar
Founder and Project Leader
TET Myanmar

Si Thu, a graduate student in Materials Innovation at Mae Fah Luang University, is also the founder and project leader of TET Myanmar, a non-profit aimed at empowering Myanmar’s teachers through professional development. As a Google Certified Trainer, Si Thu collaborates with international educators to provide integration of technology in education training to thousands of Myanmar’s educators.

Ms Kirsten BROEKEMA
Netherlands
President
AEGEE-Europe

Kirsten holds a Bachelor’s degree in International Relations and International Organisation from the University of Groningen and is currently pursuing an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's degree in Euroculture at the University of Groningen and the University of Deusto. Currently she is the President of AEGEE-Europe, a pan-European interdisciplinary youth organisation. Here she is working on projects concerning various topics such as active citizenship, the European elections and digital activism.

Ms Feline VAN BAKEL
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Graduate Student
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Feline holds a Bachelor’s degree in International Land & Water Management, with a double minor in Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation and Disaster & Recovery from the Wageningen University. She is currently pursuing a Master’s degree specialising in adaptive water management. Feline has worked as a project intern at SAPPROS Nepal (a local NGO supporting small-scale farmers) in Kathmandu, and completed her thesis research on climate adaptive pathways in Venice. She also worked as a project intern at the International Architecture Biennale Rotterdam. In 2019, she was Partnership Manager of the board of the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) Wageningen.
Mr Matthew GOLDSWORTHY
New Zealand
CEO & Founder
Youth Arts New Zealand

Matthew is the CEO & Founder of Youth Arts New Zealand (YANZ) and winner of the 2020 AIMES Service to the Community Award. Matthew is a champion of youth leadership, purpose-driven business models, and the role of creativity in wellbeing. He is also passionate about the role of strong governance in organisations, having held board roles with Social Enterprise World Forum, Volunteering New Zealand and Play It Strange. In addition to his work with these organisations, he is a co-founder of the social enterprise digital agency Goodness Digital, and is a passionate musician & composer.

Ms Oda Marie STEY
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Oda is currently pursuing a Master's degree in International Politics and Economics at the University of Bologna. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Development Studies and during her studies, she took part in various academic exchanges in Latin America. Oda has gathered experience in governmental institutions such as The Norwegian Embassy in Mozambique, and international affairs through the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE). She holds an active role on the Executive Board of the Association of Norwegian Students Abroad (ANSA), where she simultaneously holds the position Head of ANSA Italy.

Ms Armeen NASIM
Pakistan
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Armeen has a Bachelor’s degree in Social Development & Policy from Habib University, Karachi. Her undergraduate training, including a semester abroad in Washington D.C, has allowed her to deep dive into complex development challenges in postcolonial societies. After graduating, she was fortunate to work on ground with UNDP to understand challenges of urban migration which has led her to pursue an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master’s degree in Education Policies for International Development where she is passionate about researching the impact of aid and philanthropy in making quality education accessible for all.

Mr Sibtain Ali THEPDAWALA
Pakistan
Graduate Student
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Sibtain Ali is an Aerospace Engineer with a passion for space exploration. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Aerospace Engineering from the Institute of Space Technology in Islamabad, Pakistan, and is currently pursuing his Master’s degree in Aerospace at the Technical University of Munich. Sibtain Ali’s primary interest lies in autonomous controls for unmanned aerial vehicles and space systems. Sibtain Ali is the National Coordinator for Pakistan at the Moon Village Association and a dedicated member of the Space Generation Advisory Council. Beyond his career, he actively engages in social activities and platforms, advocating for individual responsibility towards society.
Ms Mikaella Antonette
CANAMAN
Philippines
Chief Executive Officer
Sowenscale Business Development Services Company

Ms Mikaella Antonette is a Growth Strategist and Entrepreneur with a Bachelor's Degree in Development Communication and a Master's Degree in Business Management. Currently, she's the Founder and CEO of Sowenscale, a Business Development Services and Digital Marketing Agency in Western Visayas, Philippines. She also runs Sprout Studios, a multimedia and production company dedicated to crafting impactful stories. Mikaella also founded We The Curatours (WTC), a forward-looking travel company that seeks to inspire the next generation of innovators through transformative global experiences.

Ms Karen Anne YU
Philippines
Graduate Student
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Karen is currently the Program Director of the ASEAN Youth Organization (AYO), wherein she conducts and spearhead the current events and programs for the aspiring young leaders of Southeast Asia by empowering youth, engage and educate the community to enable a positive and sustainable change. At present, Karen is also pursuing her Master's degree in International Studies (IMPIS) from National Chengchi University under the scholarship of Ministry of Education in Taiwan.

Mr Piotr KIRCHKE
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Engineer & Programmer Analyst
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Piotr holds a Bachelor's degree in Medical Engineering. He is currently working as an Engineer & Programmer Analyst at Cognizant, within the Biopharmaceutical industry. Piotr has gained experience in a diverse array of professional environments, including the healthcare industry, where he conducted research on a medical device that detects sexually transmitted infections (STIs), more specifically chlamydia and gonorrhoea. He has volunteered for several years, participating in events promoting social impact and community development.

Mr Tomás ALMEDIA
Portugal
Student
Lusófona University

Tomás is currently finishing his Bachelor's Degree in European Studies and International Relations at Lusófona University, Portugal. He completed an internship at Observatório Políctico, an Association for Scientific Research in Political Studies. Currently, Tomás hold is an active contributor to BETA Portugal (Bringing Europeans Together Association) as an External Relations and Fundraising Officer, and as a local deputy in the Parish Assembly of Barreiro and Lavradio, where he got elected in the 2021 Portuguese Local Elections.
Ms Roxana ROBESCU-CERCEL  
Romania  
Student  
Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași  
Roxana is presently pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Law at Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, with a recent Erasmus+ exchange at Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University in France. Roxana has been engaged in the Nuremberg Moot Court competition. Moreover, Roxana has actively participated in numerous projects focused on facilitating dialogue between young people and decision-makers, in the sphere of European Affairs and youth participation. Additionally, she serves as an expert assessor for the Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ARACIS), a constituent of ENQA and EQAR, further solidifying her commitment to excellence in higher education.

Ms Aleona PROSHAKOVA  
Russian Federation  
Graduate Student  
Universidad de Salamanca  
Aleona holds a Master's degree in East Asian Studies from Salamanca University and is due to start her Doctoral degree at UCM Madrid on the topic of interaction of Buddhism with Japanese and Tibetan cultures in premodern era. With an initial background in linguistics, her main interest is multiculturality and well-being. Previously, Aleona worked as a cultural mediator for a trading company in Mexico and was involved into an educational project funded by Secretariat of Education of Mexico that covered teaching methods implementation for teaching English in public schools.

Mr Carlo Emmanuel CHARLES  
Singapore  
Co-Founder & CEO  
Flint  
Student  
Nanyang Technological University  
Carlo is the co-founder and CEO of Flint, a deep-tech climate startup, that's building paper batteries which are sustainable, safer, and cheaper than conventional lithium batteries. He has collaborated with organisations like Apple, Google, the US Embassy Consulate, United Nations, Temasek Foundation and several other notable institutions. Carlo is also pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Mechatronics, Robotics & Automation Engineering at Nanyang Technological University. Through Flint, Carlo strives to set an example for young minds, proving that age should never hinder one's ability to create positive change.

Ms Ilyna TAN  
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Senior Consultant  
Kearney  
Ilyna is a Management Consultant at Kearney and the Curator of the World Economic Forum's Global Shapers Community (Singapore Hub). She has a Bachelor's degree in Political Science & International Relations from Yonsei University. Ilyna has rich experience in leading youth delegacy work and moderating discussions in various international conferences, including the UN Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty Conference and EU-ASEAN Youth Summit. She also worked as a Performing Artiste across Asia, specialising in the musical theatre and popular dance/music. Ilyna is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.
Ms Laura Kurthy
Slovakia
Student
Corvinus University of Budapest

Laura is finishing her Bachelor's degree studies in International Relations at the Corvinus University of Budapest, parallel to which she has pursued studies at universities in Sweden, Russia, and China. She has participated in numerous regional conferences related to the Visegrad Cooperation and the Three Seas Initiative. Laura has interned at the Chambers of Commerce and the Ministry of Culture and Innovation. The project she is currently involved in concentrates on interregional knowledge-building in the field of Education. Laura dedicates her free time to volunteering as an educator, promoting social inclusion, and encouraging disadvantaged youth.

Mr Amadej Petan
Slovenia
Student
Sciences Po Paris School of International Affairs

Amadej is pursuing a Master's degree in International Security at Sciences Po, Paris, he aims to contextualise his experiences and effect positive change. Through his work, Amadej focuses on post-conflict reconstruction and humanitarian aid tailored to people's needs. He founded groups like the Group of Friendship and Cooperation with the Middle East and the Loc Glob research group, showcasing a blend of practical and academic excellence. Besides his professional and academic engagements, Amadej is also a prolific documentary filmmaker and photographer who won numerous awards with his socially engaged work on refugee and minority issues.

Mr Daniel Álvarez Domínguez
Spain
Recent Graduate
Diplomatic School of Spain

Daniel recently graduated with a Master's Degree in Diplomacy and International Relations from the Diplomatic School of Spain. He also holds a Master's Degree in European Union Studies from the University of Salamanca, a Master's Degree in Mathematical Logic from several Spanish universities and a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy from the University of La Laguna, Canary Islands. Currently Daniel is working as Senior Financial Advisor in an international consultancy and as collaborator in multiple international relations-related think tanks.

Ms Hellen Armas Correa
Spain
Recent Graduate
University of Salamanca

Hellen has recently obtained a Master's degree in Advanced Korean Language, Literature and Culture, from the University of Salamanca, where she also obtained her Bachelor's degree in Korean Studies. She has spent her last few months mentoring Spanish studying students in a Korean University while completing her thesis. Hellen is currently working as an English teacher while aiming at pursuing another Master's degree in Korean Teaching in Korea. Besides that, she keeps enhancing the investigation of her Master's degree thesis.
Mr Aldan CREO MARIÑO
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Aldan has a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Universidade de Santiago de Compostela, during which he pursued exchanges to Sorbonne Université and Università della Svizzera Italiana. He has carried out a research project on Natural Language Processing using AI. Founder of three associations and an active open-source contributor, Aldan is an active member trying to give back to his community. Frequentor of entrepreneurship events, he also strives to create sustainable growth opportunities for everyone. He is currently a Technology Research Specialist in AI at The Dock, Accenture's flagship R&D and global Innovation Centre.

Ms Olga FERNANDEZ GARCIA
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Olga has a Bachelor's degree in East Asian Studies with a specialisation in Korea from Málaga University and is currently studying a Master's degree in the same field at Salamanca University. She undertook a university exchange at Duksun Women's University at Seoul, Korea. Olga has also participated in a university cooperation project in Colombia. During her days at Málaga University she also volunteered in the organisation of several conferences and cultural activities.

Ms Irache FRAILE BELLÓN
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Irache has a Bachelor’s degree in East Asian Studies with a double major in Chinese and Korean language. She is now pursuing a Master's degree in Advanced Studies in East Asian Languages, Literatures and Cultures, with a specialisation in Chinese. Irache's research has focused on the representation of Korean beauty standards within the entertainment industry, which she intends to continue investigating. She has participated and coordinated in different volunteer roles, most of them focused on social problems such as LGBTQ+ rights and in food banks.

Ms Ángela GALLEGO
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Ángela holds a Bachelor's degree in East Asian Studies from the University of Salamanca and she is currently pursuing a Master's degree at the same university. Her work focuses on several search fields such as Korean history, art, literature and sociology and she plans to pursue a Doctorate degree in sociological analysis. Angela has previously worked as an equestrian instructor at various international summer camps, whose objective was bringing the horse world closer to children, and she has also done volunteer work at Equine Therapy Association of Extremadura.
Ms María GÓMEZ PEREA
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María holds a Bachelor's degree in East Asian Studies from the University of Seville and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Advanced Studies in East Asian Languages, Literatures and Cultures at the University of Salamanca. She also participated in an exchange programme with the University of Languages and Cultures in Beijing. Throughout her academic career, she has developed several lines of research on Sociology and Anthropology in China which she has presented as a speaker at conferences such as the VIII International Congress of Anthropology AIBR and the 3rd International Congress of the Spanish Association of East Asian Studies.

Ms Ana IGARTUA PISONERO DEL POZO
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Ana has a Bachelor’s degree on East Asian Studies from the University of Salamanca, with specialisation in Chinese and Korean. She is currently pursuing a Master’s degree in East Asian Languages, Cultures and Literatures, with a focus on Chinese. In her last year of university, she decided to dedicate her final degree project to the study of women within Taoism, an area that she would like to continue researching in the future.

Ms Nathalie LABAR
Sweden
Graduate Student
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Nathalie is currently finishing her Master’s degree in Law and her Bachelor's degree in Business and Economics at Uppsala University. Alongside her studies, Nathalie has been actively involved within the European Law Students' Association (ELSA), particularly in the national board of ELSA Sweden, of which she has been serving as President for this past year. In her capacity as President, Nathalie has been responsible for representing the interests of over 1700 law students across Sweden, organising activities to promote human rights and foster social responsibility, all while placing a particular emphasis on sustainability.

Mr Alexander LINDQVIST
Sweden
Student
Linnaeus University

Alexander is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Political Science at the Linnaeus University with a specialisation in European Studies. Besides his studies he is involved both on the national and local level in The Swedish Association of International Affairs, United Nations Association of Sweden and the Swedish Red Cross Youth. With a background in different civil society organisations and as alumni for the Defence and Security academy in Stockholm, he tries to bring knowledge from various perspectives as well as the importance of young leadership in an increasingly complex world.
Mr Matthias LÜTHARD
Switzerland
Graduate Student
Yonsei University

Matthias is currently pursuing a dual degree Master’s programme in International Affairs and Governance at the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland and in Global Affairs and Policy at Yonsei University in Korea. He has volunteered and worked for different organisations, such as at the Swiss think tank for foreign policy, Foraus, as regional co-head, and at the Green Liberal Party of Switzerland as Junior Project Manager. As part of the Managing Climate Solutions certificate at the University of St.Gallen, Matthias was part of a team of students, who contributed to the university’s plans to become carbon neutral by 2030. They did so by conceptualising and realising a solar panel farm on one of the university’s rooftops.

Mr Kolatat PHAIBOONNUKULKIJ
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Chairperson
Phaiboonnukulkij Group

Kolatat has a Bachelor’s degree in Real Estate and a Master’s degree in Urban Planning and Development. He is Chairperson at the Phaiboonnukulkij Group, a holding company that comprises various early-stage technology companies and assets domestically and internationally. Kolatat's ventures commit to the Climate Neutral Now Initiative by UNFCCC and Tech Zero, leading his organisations toward NetZero and the global goals. Kolatat is a technology and sustainability advocate as a delegate and speaker at the Sustainability Conference SUG23 held by UCISA in Berkshire, England.

Ms Suphanit SINGHSACHAKUL
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Independent Consultant

Suphanit has been a strategic partner to leadership teams in companies like LinkedIn Singapore, True Digital Group Thailand and Lister Petter United Arab Emirates; building go-to-market strategies, advising on sales and marketing processes at scale, growing teams, and consistently exceeding revenue targets to grow market share in Southeast Asia for over a decade. She is currently an Entrepreneur, Independent Consultant, and a Pilates Instructor. Suphanit has a Bachelor’s degree in Applied Finance from Macquarie University. Suphanit is an ASEFEdu Alumnus.

Mr Charlie DAVEY
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Charlie has a Master’s degree in Innovation and Anthropology. He founded ‘Skori’ with the aim to equip global youth with planetary living skills and knowledge relevant to their future markets using innovative pedagogy. Charlie’s other start-up ‘Global Green Initiatives’ provides a space for global student team formation, where they teach innovation and sustainability. Charlie has been recognised as a ‘Leader of Tomorrow’ at the St Gallen Symposium. He won funding through the Turing Scheme to work on an Amazonian Rainforest conservation project in Peru, and was a UN Women UK delegate for the 67th Commission on the Status of Women.
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Dao is currently pursuing a Master’s degree in Public Policy at Peking University as a Yenching Scholar, with a focus on urban ecology, urban inclusion and international development. Dao has research experiences at leading institutes such as Cornell University Center for Cities, University of Oxford, University of Pennsylvania and The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung as an EANGAGE Fellow. His publications have been featured on Springer, Asia Development Bank Institute, the ASEAN Magazine and Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF). Apart from his academic achievements, Dao has been leading the UNESCO Global Action Plan on Meaningful Youth Engagement, co-founded the Student Think Tank for Europe-Asia Relations (STEAR) and ASEAN Youth Delegation to the G20 Youth Summit. Dao is an ASEF Edu Alumnus.

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Winnie has a Bachelor's Degree in International Relations from the University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University. She has previously worked with Frogsleap and CHANGE. In her former role as the President of Frogsleap, Winnie organised projects which brought green energy to poor households in remote areas. In her Programme Officer role at CHANGE, Winnie was the project leader of CHANGE’s events: the VIEWS Awards - an annual competition for journalists in wildlife protection, and CHANGE’s 10-year celebration. Winnie has also participated in environmental campaigns, especially being a Head Coordinator of the First Earth Day Campaign in Vietnam.

Ms My-Han TRINH
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My Han is currently working for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Viet Nam as Assistant to the Deputy Resident Representative where she supports various initiatives to accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in Viet Nam. She graduated from the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam with a Bachelor's degree in International Communication. She has also had professional experience in the fields of Policy Analysis, Journalism, Communications, and Marketing, ranging from private companies to government agencies to peer-reviewed research.