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Schedule

The following times are given in Central European Time (CET)

4 March

Time	Activity
12.30 – 15.30	Opening Ceremony and Competition Round 1
15.30 – 16.00	Jury deliberations

5 March

Time	Activity
12.30 – 14.00	Student Workshop "Get active! Public policy school students during elections and/or in political debate" & Dean's Executive Meeting
14.15 – 15.45	Dean's Roundtable: "Public policy schools in the face of elections, transitions of power and policy cycles"
16.00 – 18.00	Announcement of teams progressing to Round 2 & Social Event: "GPPN After Hour Digital Berlin"

6 March

Time	Activity
13.00 – 15.30	Competition Round 2
15.30 – 16.00	Jury deliberations/Break
16.00 – 16.30	Announcement of winning teams, awards and closing remarks

2022 GPPN Jury Members



Thomas Christensen

Interim Dean of the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA); James T. Shotwell Professor of International Relations, Columbia University.

Thomas J. Christensen is the Interim Dean of the School of International Relations and Public Affairs (SIPA) and James T. Shotwell Professor of International Relations and Director of the China and the World Program at Columbia University, New York City. He arrived in 2018 from Princeton University where he was William P. Boswell Professor of World Politics of Peace and War, Director of the Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program, and faculty director of the Master of Public Policy Program and the Truman Scholars Program. From 2006-2008 he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs with responsibility for relations with China, Taiwan, and Mongolia. His research and teaching focus on China's foreign relations, the international relations of East Asia, and international security. His most recent book, *The China Challenge: Shaping the Choices of a Rising Power* (W.W. Norton) was an editors' choice at the New York Times Book Review, a "Book of the Week" on CNN's Fareed Zakaria GPS, and the Arthur Ross Book Award Silver Medalist at the Council on Foreign Relations. Professor Christensen has also taught at Cornell University and MIT. He received his B.A. with honors in History from Haverford College, M.A. in International Relations from the University of Pennsylvania, and Ph.D. in Political Science from Columbia University. He has served on the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations, as co-editor of the International History and Politics series at Princeton University Press, and as a member of the Academic Advisory Committee for the Schwarzman Scholars Program. He is currently the Chair of the Editorial Board of the Nancy B. Tucker and Warren I. Cohen Book Series on the United States in Asia at Columbia University Press. Professor Christensen is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a Non-Resident Senior Scholar at the Brookings Institution. He was presented with a Distinguished Public Service Award by the United States Department of State.



Cláudio Gonçalves Couto

Professor and Former Director of the Professional Master's Degree in Public Policy and Management (MPGPP), The School of Public Policy and Government of Fundação Getúlio Vargas.

Cláudio Gonçalves Couto was born in São Paulo on October 23rd, 1969. He holds a Bachelor in Social Sciences (1991), Master in Political Science (1994) and PhD in Political Science (2000) from the University of São Paulo. He conducted a Post-Doctoral Visiting Research at Columbia University (USA) with support from the Official Brazilian Agency for the Improvement of University Level Personnel – CAPES (2005-6). He is an occasional columnist of politics for two newspapers: Valor Econômico and O Estado de S. Paulo. Cláudio is an Associate Professor in the Department of Public Management (EAESP - Getúlio Vargas Foundation – SP) and the Director of the Professional Master's in Public Policies and Management (MPGPP). He teaches political science on the Bachelor's in Public Administration and is also a Permanent Lecturer (NDP) of the graduate courses (Master's and PhD) in Public Administration and Government. He was the Executive Secretary of ANPOCS

(National Association of Graduate Studies and Research in Social Sciences) during the 2014-16 term and is Fellow of the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq), with a Research Productivity Grant – Level 1C.

Mark Hallerberg

Acting President and Professor of Public Management and Political Economy, Hertie School.



Mark Hallerberg is the Acting President of the Hertie School and Professor of Public Management and Political Economy. From 2013 to 2018 Prof. Hallerberg served as MPP Director, from 2015 to 2018 as MIA Director, from 2017 to 2018 as Dean, and from 2018 to 2021 Dean of Research and Faculty. From September 2020 to February 2021 he was Deputy President of the Hertie School. His research focuses on fiscal governance, tax competition, financial crises, and European Union politics. He previously held academic positions at Emory University, where he maintains an affiliation with the political science department, as well as at the University of Pittsburgh and Georgia Institute of Technology. He has advised, among others, Ernst and Young Poland, the European Central Bank, the German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ), the Inter-American Development Bank, International Monetary Fund, and the World Bank. He received his PhD from University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) in 1995.

Hiroshi Ohashi

Dean of the Graduate School of Public Policy, and Professor of Economics, University of Tokyo.



Hiroshi Ohashi is Dean of the Graduate School of Public Policy, and Professor of Economics, at the University of Tokyo. His areas of research include industrial organization, and competition policy. Dr. Ohashi previously taught at Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia, Canada. He is a program director at the RIETI at the METI. He has served a variety of government appointments at home, including a member of Promotion of Regulatory Reform at the Cabinet Office. His recent book on "Economics of Competition Policy – Population Decline, Digitalization, and Industrial Policy --- has received Nikkei Economic Book Award in 2021. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Northwestern University, and a M.A. and B.A. from the University of Tokyo.

Danny Quah

Li Ka Shing Professor in Economics and Dean at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore.



Danny Quah is Li Ka Shing Professor in Economics and Dean at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS. His research on inequality and income mobility characterises the range of experiences across economies to suggest that a single narrative on inequality is unlikely to be correct or helpful. His work on world order takes an economic approach to international systems, studying the supply and demand of world order: what international system do the world's superpowers wish to provide; what world order does the global community need? Quah is a Commissioner on the Spence-Stiglitz Commission

on Global Economic Transformation and on LSE's Global Economic Governance Commission. He serves on the Executive Committee, International Economic Association; the Advisory Board, LSE IDEAS; the Eminent Advisory Council of the UNDP Bureau for Asia-Pacific; and the World Economic Forum's Global Future Council for Geopolitics. He is Vice President at the Economic Society of Singapore. He is the author of "The Global Economy's Shifting Centre of Gravity".



Andres Velasco

Dean, LSE School of Public Policy

Professor Velasco is the Dean of the LSE School of Public Policy. He was the Minister of Finance in Chile between 2006 and 2010 and has held professorial roles at the Harvard Kennedy School and Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. He was President of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) from 2005 to 2007. In February 2006 he received the Award for Excellence in Research from the Inter-American Development Bank. In 2013-16 he was a member of the Global Oceans Commission and during 2015-16 he co-chaired the Global Panel on the Future of the Multilateral Lending Institutions. In 2017-18 he was a member of the G20 Eminent Persons Group. He is the author of nearly one hundred academic articles, several academic books and two novels. He has served as a consultant to the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and to governments, central banks and private businesses around the world.

GPPN Deans, Professors and Staff

Graduate School of Public Policy, The University of Tokyo



Keisuke Iida

Vice Dean and Professor in the Graduate School of Public Policy at The University of Tokyo.

Keisuke Iida is Vice Dean and Professor in the Graduate School of Public Policy at The University of Tokyo. His area of specialization is International Political Economy. His major publications include *Legalization and Japan: The Politics of WTO Dispute Settlement* (2006) and *Japan's Security and Economic Dependence on China and the United States* (2017). He has published numerous articles in international journals such as *International Organization*, *Public Choice*, *International Studies Quarterly*, and the *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. His research interests include the politics of trade, the political economy of financial crises, and the interactions between security and economics. He received his Ph.D. in Political Science from Harvard University. He has formerly taught at Princeton University and Aoyama Gakuin University.

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Roberto Orsi is Project Associate Professor at the Graduate School of Public Policy, The University of Tokyo. He holds a PhD in International Relations obtained from the London School of Economics. His research interests focus on international political theory, history of political concepts, East Asian and European international politics.

**Aoi Ohno**

Program Coordinator, Graduate School of Public Policy, The University of Tokyo

Aoi is a program coordinator at the Graduate School of Public Policy, The University of Tokyo, where she is responsible for the GPPN related programs as well as public relations, academic events, and extracurricular activities. She holds a BA (Hons) in Theatre Design and Arts Management from The University of Manchester and has also been actively involved in various projects related to culture and arts promotion in the community and youth education.

**Megumi Aoshima**

Program Coordinator, Graduate School of Public Policy, The University of Tokyo

Megumi Aoshima is an exchange program coordinator at the Graduate School of Public Policy (GraSPP), The University of Tokyo. Before joining GraSPP in 2014, Megumi was working as a school psychologist for K-12 public education in the U.S. for ten years armed with B.A. in Psychology and M.A. /CAS in School Psychology.

Hertie School, Berlin

**Cornelia Woll**

Designated President, Hertie School

Cornelia Woll is the designated President of the Hertie School and will take up her duties in March 2022. Prior to this, she was a professor of political science, co-director of the Max Planck Sciences Po Center (MaxPo) and a researcher at the Centre for European Studies and Comparative Politics (CEE) and the Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Evaluation of Public Policies (LIEPP) at Sciences Po. Previously, she has served as Vice President for Studies and Academic Affairs (2015-18), founding co-director of LIEPP (2011-14) and as Associate Dean for Research (2008-12) of Sciences Po. She held the Alfred-Grosser Visiting Chair at the Goethe University Frankfurt in 2018. During 2011/12, she was on leave at the Center for European Studies at Harvard University. Before joining Sciences Po in 2006, she worked as a research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies in Cologne. Her dissertation was awarded the Lipset Prize of the Society for Comparative Research and an Otto-Hahn Award of the Max Planck Society.



Dr. Holger Endrös, MBA

Chief of Staff, Office of the President, Hertie School

Holger joined the Hertie School in 2012 and served as Chief of Staff to three Presidents at the Hertie School. Before he worked as Programme Manager for a master programme at the international Business School ESCP. Holger holds a doctorate in social sciences from the University of Mannheim and a Diploma in Political Science from the University of Bamberg as well as an MBA degree from the University for Applied Sciences Osnabrück.



Jamie Bergin

Associate, Office of the President, Hertie School

Jamie Bergin supports the Office of the President by maintaining the Hertie School's external relations, including through the Global Public Policy Network (GPPN) and CIVICA. He has several years' experience working in Vienna in multilateral diplomacy and international organisations such as the UN and the OSCE, with a focus on criminal justice issues. He has a Bachelor's degree in Law from University College Dublin and a Master's degree in Advanced International Studies from the Diplomatic Academy of Vienna.



Matt Langthorne

Multimedia Specialist, Hertie School

Matt Langthorne is a Multimedia Specialist with ten years of experience, he works with the Digital Learning team at Hertie School. His main interest is the application of technology for positive academic impact. Matt is assisting with the online aspects of the GPPN conference



Nikolas von Hoffmann

Manager, Office of the President, Hertie School

Nikolas von Hoffmann is manager at the office of the President of the Hertie School and project manager for CIVICA – The European University of Social Sciences within the School. Previously, he worked in strategy consulting and in German federal ministries. He is a graduate of the Hertie School and Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.



Paula Betzing

MC of GPPN Conference 2022, Master of Public Policy Candidate, Hertie School

Paula is studying for a Master of Public Policy at the Hertie School with a concentration in Policy Analysis. She earned a Bachelor in European Studies from King's College London with a year spent at Humboldt University of Berlin. During her studies Paula gained work experience in Think Tanks, Public Administration and Public Affairs. Over the past year she worked as a teaching assistant as part of a government program designed to help children from low-income families with barriers to good education. As events manager Paula organized and led panel discussions for the Women & Politics Society at King's College London and co-founded the Hertie School Public Speaking Club designed for individuals who want to become better communicators. "Herzlich Willkommen in Berlin! Nice to e-meet you!" – #HertieLove



Sebastian Y. Wende

MC of GPPN Conference 2022, Master of International Affairs Candidate, Hertie School

After reading the book "World in Danger: Germany and Europe in an Uncertain Time" by Ambassador Wolfgang Ischinger, **Sebastian** decided to join the Hertie School and specialize in International Affairs and Security. Since then, he co-founded the Hertie School Public Speaking Club, joined the Embassy Series Task Force of the Hertie School Diplomacy Club, and helped relaunch the Hertie School International Relations Club. Sebastian studied Business Administration at the Freie Universität Berlin, majoring in Strategic Management and Marketing. At that time, he represented Germany at the European Championship of Public Speaking in Romania. Later he specialized in International, Diplomatic and Consular Affairs, joined the Foreign Service and served in various positions at the Embassy of Bolivia to Germany, Switzerland, Poland, and Romania.

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Kartini Rahman is Associate Director at the Lee Kuan Yew (LKY) School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore (NUS). A higher education administration professional with 20 years of experience, she drives Academic Partnerships, Alumni Relations and Career Services in the Academic Affairs Department. She graduated from the LKY School with a Master in Public Administration and from NUS with a Bachelor degree in Social Sciences, majoring in Sociology and Philosophy. Kartini is a Certified Career Professional awarded under the Workforce Singapore (WSG) Career Development Framework.

**Suzaina Kadir**

Vice Dean (Academic Affairs); Associate Professor, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy.

Associate Professor **Suzaina Kadir** is Vice Dean (Academic Affairs) at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. Suzaina oversees all curriculum, teaching and learning matters at the School. Suzaina has a PhD in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her teaching and research interests include ethnicity, religion, and public policy, state capacity and institution building in Southeast Asia. She works specifically on the evolution of political Islam in Muslim Southeast Asia. Her work has been on the emergence and growth of Islamic movements and political parties in Indonesia. She also has a keen interest on the administration and management of religion in Singapore. Suzaina is a recipient of three National Day Awards: 2016 Public Service and Commendation Medals for her contributions to national-level initiatives, and 2018 Long Service Medal for her contributions to higher education.

Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy, University of Toronto (Observer)**Peter Loewen**

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School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University**Hande Mutlu-Eren**

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Hande Mutlu-Eren is the Senior Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs and Adjunct Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA). She plays an important role in the management and administration of academic affairs, particularly in the areas of recruitment, appointment, reviews, leaves and special compensation of instructional and research faculty. She is also responsible for the accreditation and reviews of academic programs and serves as SIPA's liaison for the Global Public Policy Network (GPPN). She was formerly a Fellow in Political Science and Public Policy at the London School of Economics (LSE), where she taught graduate courses in MPA Program. She holds a PhD in Politics from NYU and teaches political economy courses.

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Jennie Cottle

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Philippe Martin

Dean of the School of Public Affairs; Professor of Economics, Sciences Po

Philippe Martin holds degrees from Sciences Po, Paris Dauphine University and a PhD in Economics from Georgetown University, Washington DC. Mr Martin is a Professor of Economics at Sciences Po, the Chairman of the Conseil d'Analyse Économique (CAE), the Vice-President and a Research Fellow in international macroeconomics and trade at the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) and the Vice-President of the Board of Directors of the FNSP. He succeeds Yann Algan as Dean of the School of Public Affairs. Mr Martin has previously worked as an economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (2001-2002), a professor at the Paris School of Economics (2000-2008) and at the Graduate Institute in Geneva, the director of Sciences Po's Department of Economics (2008-2013) and as an economic advisor to Emmanuel Macron during his time as Minister of the Economy, Industry and Digital Affairs from 2015-2016. He was also co-editor of the journal Economic Policy from 2006 to 2011 and has served as a consultant to the Bank of France. In 2002, Mr Martin was awarded the Prize for the Best Young Economist in France

School of Public Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science



Nicholas Rowley

Senior Lecturer in Practice, LSE School of Public Policy

Nick brings over twenty years' experience working on environment, climate and wider public policy in Australia, the UK, and internationally. For two years he worked at Downing Street advising PM Tony Blair on climate change and sustainability. Nick played a vital role prior to the G8 meeting at Gleneagles in 2005: the first time that climate was placed on the agenda for heads of State. Following the G8, Nick advised on the establishment of the seminal Stern Review into the Economics of Climate Change. Nick also taught the core courses for the Master of Public Policy at Sydney University. He has a passion for developing academically rigorous and practically useful graduate courses, while teaching, motivating, and supporting students to excel.



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Executive Dean and Department Manager, LSE School of Public Policy

Paul is the Manager and Executive Dean of the LSE School of Public Policy. Working with the academic leadership of the School, he is jointly responsible for the management of financial and human resources and the strategic development of the School of Public Policy to offer the best possible student experience and training. He has worked in higher education in the UK for over ten years and joined LSE in 2014. He holds a BA in Politics with French from the University of Leicester with a year abroad at Sciences Po, and a MSc in American Politics from Birkbeck, University of London.

School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University (Observer)



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Shuting SHI is the Dual Master's Program Manager at the School of Public Policy and Management Tsinghua University (Tsinghua SPPM). Shuting is currently working with the Geneva School of Social Sciences, University of Geneva on a Dual Master of Public Policy for Sustainable Development Goals. Shuting earned her Master's and Bachelor's Degree in English Language and Translation from Shandong University in China. Janet XU Director of Office of International Cooperation and Exchange at the School of Public Policy and Management; the Program Manager of Master of Public Administration in International Development and Governance (MIDG), Tsinghua SPPM.



Janet XU

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Professor Xufeng ZHU

Professor and Executive Associate Dean, School of Public Policy and Management (SPPM), Tsinghua University

Xufeng ZHU is currently Professor and the Executive Associate Dean at the School of Public Policy and Management (SPPM), Tsinghua University and the Executive Director of the Institute for Sustainable Development Goals, Tsinghua University (TUSDG). He is also the Deputy Director of the Science & Technology Development and Governance Center, Tsinghua University (TUSTDG), and the Director of the Think Tank Research Center of SPPM. He was nominated by UN Secretary-General and appointed by the Economic and Social Council as a member of the Committee for Development Policy (CDP). He serves as Executive Council member and Co-Chair of the SDG working committee of the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA).

Fundação Getulio Vargas Escola de Administração de Empresas de São Paulo



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Dean, The School of Public Policy and Government of Fundação Getulio Vargas

He holds a degree in Chemical Engineering from the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (1976) and a doctorate in Business Administration from the School of Business Administration of São Paulo at the Getulio Vargas Foundation (2005). He is a full professor of the Operations Department of FGV EAESP, where he participates in the research line "Management of Operations and Sustainability". Since February 2015, he has been the director of FGV EAESP. At ANPAD, he was the coordinator of the GOL (Operations and Logistics Management) division from 2011 to 2014. He was also the vice president for Latin America of the POMS (Production and Operations Management Society) from 2011 to 2013. At AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), he is a member of the Innovation Committee for the second period (2017-2018). Prior to his academic activity, he had a long-standing involvement with the private sector, taking management positions at Sanbra, Santista Alimentos and Dixie Toga. His main research interests lie in the interface between Operations and Strategy. Currently, he works on two main research themes: creation and value appropriation in relationships between companies and management as a factor of competitiveness of Brazilian companies. His previous work has also involved the analysis of business performance and his connection with the concept of competitive advantage.



Danielle Yumi Fernandes

Executive Program Manager & GPPN Focal Point at FGV

Danielle Fernandes serves as focal point for GPPN and is the Head of Operations of the Executive Master of Administration in Public Policy and in International Double Degree at the FGV School, responsible for the management of the course and ensure to offer the best possible student experience. Before joining the Master's Degree Team, she worked as a Program Manager for the Global MBA course partnership between FGV and Alliance Manchester Business School, also organizing meetings and events for the School. She holds a B.A. in Legal from Universidade Metropolitana de São Paulo and is in process to finish her Post Graduation in Project Management.



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Tales Andreassi

Vice-Dean of Public Policy of FGV EAESP

Graduated in Business Administration from the University of São Paulo (1989), Master in Business Administration from the University of São Paulo (1994), Master in Science and Technology Policy Studies from SPRU, Sussex University (1998)) and post-doctorate fellow/visiting researcher at Simon Fraser University, Canada (2000). Professor and Deputy Director of FGV EAESP. In this same institution, he was Vice Coordinator of the academic Master's degree/Doctorate (2009), Coordinator of the Professional Master in International Management (2010-2012) and Coordinator of the Entrepreneurship Center (2010-2017). He worked for ten years as project manager at ANPEI - National Association of Research and Development of Innovative Companies. His main areas of interest are: entrepreneurship, technological innovation and strategy. He is the author of six books, 18 chapters of books, 44 articles published in national and international journals (RAE, RAUSP, RAC, International Journal of Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management, among others) and has 59 papers presented at conferences and congresses in Brazil and abroad. He was a visiting professor at the Central University of Ecuador, the Xavier Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship in India, and in the Novancia Business School in France. Since 2009, he has been the leader in Entrepreneurship and Innovation at ENANPAD, the GCT Division. He has research projects funded by Brazilian (PRO-ADM / CAPES) and international institutions (VEWA/Belgium and Goldman Sachs Foundation). He is a member of the editorial board of six academic journals (RAE, RAI, Business Review, Journal of Operations and Supply Chain Management, REGEPE, Revista Brasileira de Ciências Sociais). He was the writer of articles for Folha de São Paulo newspaper in the 2012-2016 period, in which he signed a biweekly column on entrepreneurship.

Projects and Teams

Graduate School of Public Policy, The University of Tokyo

PROJECT: 6 Degrees of Connection: Integration of North Korean Escapees into South Korean Society

Every year, North Korean escapees risk their lives to enter South Korea in search of better lives. Yet, the new foreign environment poses huge challenges for these North Korean escapees. Despite the initiatives of the South Korean government and assistance to facilitate the North Korean escapees to adjust to their new lives, many escapees find it difficult to integrate into the South Korean society. Cultural and social prejudice, physical and mental illnesses are some of the common issues faced by the escapees.

Our proposal analyses the gaps of the current programme from a social capital and network lens and proposes a 3-step integration framework to expand the social capital and network of the escapees via self-organised communities and identification of potential leaders from the escapees. Our model aims to reduce the inequalities faced by the North Korean escapees and improve their physical and mental well-being. This framework has the potential to be the template to assist other refugees in other societies.

TEAM:



Risa Shimono

Hello, I am Risa Shimono from Osaka, Japan. I am 23 and currently a first-year student at Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo. Outside the campus, I play the mandolin solo / in the ensemble / in the orchestra. I graduated from School of International Liberal Studies, Waseda University in Tokyo. There I studied mainly about Korean diaspora in Japan / East Asian Studies. Also, I joined the double degree program of CAMPUS Asia program in 2018-2019 and earned the Bachelor's degree of Law at Peking University, China. I am also interested in the marine plastic issue. Although it is held online, I am thankful and looking forward to this precious opportunity of the conference.



Tan Yong Beng

Tan Yong Beng is a student of Public Policy at the Graduate School of Public Policy, the University of Tokyo, and Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Prior to graduate school, Yong Beng was previously with Civil Service College Singapore, sharing Singapore's development experience with other countries. Yong Beng is interested in international development, global health, and global trade. He has completed internship stints with Institute of Public Policy, NUS, and Asia Pacific Leaders for Malaria Alliance, and would like to apply his experiences and skills to better the global community. He is also a language enthusiast who is currently learning French, Japanese, and Thai.



Timothy Goo

Timothy is a first-year student pursuing the Public Management and International Relations track in the Master of Public Policy, International Program at the University of Tokyo. He completed his B.A. in International Relations at Wheaton College. Over the course of his undergraduate studies, he also had the privilege to study at Stanford University, Waseda University, and Sophia University. He previously had the opportunity to do several internships that focused on the Indo-Pacific region, which happened to be based in Japan, the United States, and South Korea.



Yuanyuan Cui

Yuanyuan Cui brings experience conducting desk and field research. Specializing in financial inclusion and empowering small businesses in economically isolated regions, she has professional experience carrying out extensive research and analysis on the benefits of employing technology in financial inclusion, women's economic empowerment, as well as poverty reduction. Born in Europe and raised in the U.S., she has native fluency in French, English, and Chinese.

PROJECT: Decarbonizing Residential Heating in Munakata

Although Japan wants to reach net-zero emissions until 2050, the country's residential sector remains heavily reliant on fossil fuels and little has changed over the last decade. One unfortunate example is Munakata, located in the southern Fukuoka prefecture. Despite the city's great potentials for renewables, there are no current plans to harvest solar energy to reduce residential CO₂-emissions. Accordingly, Munakata's city council should implement a program to decarbonize the residential heating sector by subsidizing the electrification of residential heating systems and the installation of photovoltaic panels. Working together with residents and national entities, Munakata can decrease CO₂-emissions in the housing sector. Thereby, the city can serve as a national example and even attract new residents.

TEAM:

Franz Ferdinand Willeit

Franz Ferdinand is a dual degree student at the Hertie School and the Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo. He is interested in the question of how to foster sustainable development in emerging economies during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. Previously Franz Ferdinand worked at the German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ). There, he designed and implemented monitoring systems and conducted an evaluation of an entrepreneurship training program. Thereby, Franz Ferdinand honed his proficiency in quantitative and qualitative research methods, applied econometrics, and R. He holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Vienna.

Livia Sapochetti

Livia is a first-year graduate student at the University of Tokyo's Graduate School of Public Policy. She obtained her undergraduate law degree in the UK at the University of Manchester, where she focused on international and national criminal law. Livia worked as a legal advisor at the pro bono clinic in her university in a project aimed at getting appeals for miscarriages of justice. She has an interest in international conflict study and non-traditional security topics such as energy, global warming, and international health.

Momoko Kurosawa

Momoko is a Japanese student at the University of Tokyo, pursuing a master's degree in Public Policy. She was majoring in Economics in her undergraduate studies at Keio University with a focus on International Economics and European Economy. She also studied at King's College London as an exchange student concentrating on European Studies and International Relations. In addition to her interests in international affairs and European integration, she is currently interested in regional integration in Asia, and energy and environment policy.

PROJECT: Har Ghar Jagrukta: A Child Marriage Awareness Campaign in Bihar, India

India is plagued with the practice of child marriage, with the state of Bihar leading the statistics. In addition to the economic reasons, socio-cultural factors seem to be the driving force for its prevalence. Covid-19 has further aggravated the situation. In October 2021, the government of India launched a mass door-to-door vaccination campaign, "*Knock on Every Door*", focusing on remote and rural areas. Our policy proposes a specific framework of cooperation between the government and non-profit organisations by adding a layer of tailored information campaign "*Awareness in Every House*" to the government's initiative. To minimise the resistance of the local people towards the sensitive topic, the campaign will be packaged as an economic empowerment initiative. A government-selected organisation will produce two short videos to be screened after the villagers are vaccinated. These videos will demonstrate the economic benefits of delaying a girl's marriage. Repeated booster shots present an opportunity for expanding the policy.

TEAM:



Kanari Haruyama

My name is Kanari Haruyama and I am currently pursuing my Master's degree in Public Policy at the University of Tokyo. I received my bachelor's degree from Doshisha University where I studied International Politics and International Humanitarian Law. I have always been interested in IHL, and have participated in several IHL moot court competitions as an oralist. I interned at the ICRC for three months prior to entering GraSPP, and hopefully I would be able to pursue a career in a related field. I was born and raised in Scotland, but my Scottish accent has sadly faded away over the years. If I could have dinner with anyone in the world, dead or alive, I would love to dine with Princess Diana so she could spill the tea.



Nimrah Qambrani

Salam! My name is Nimrah Zafar and I am from Pakistan. I received my bachelor's degree from the University of Tsukuba in Social Sciences and now I am a first-year master's student at GraSPP in the University of Tokyo. I developed an interest in public policy after some experiences I had working at the Pakistani embassy in Japan. I was assigned as a sub assistant for a counsellor at the trade and investment department. In my leisure time, I enjoy playing badminton, taking long walks, and watching mysteries. My current favourite mystery programme is the dark-web series by Dr. No sleep on YouTube. Also, if I ever get a chance, I would love to have dinner with Leslie from Parks and Recreation and hear about her random life experiences.



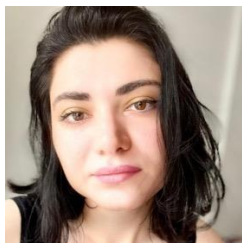
Ridhi Soni

I am Ridhi Soni, a second year MPP/IP student at GraSPP, University of Tokyo majoring in economic policy and financial development. I received my bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Delhi. Prior to GraSPP, I have worked with several government and non-governmental organisations in India. My motivation behind pursuing a degree in public policy is to work towards poverty alleviation and inequality eradication across all developing countries. On a lighter front, I would be ecstatic to have the opportunity of dining with J.K. Rowling and get an insider into some of the dark, hidden secrets of Hogwarts.



Tabatha Kobayashi

My name is Tabatha but I go by the nickname, Tabby. I'm pursuing my Master's degree in Public Policy at the University of Tokyo. Aside from my studies, I work part time as a research assistant, translating declassified U.S. documents from the 1960s-70s into Japanese. My biggest passion is learning foreign languages. I won the All-Japan German Speech Contest in 2018. In my spare time, I enjoy watching Soviet films and reading Russian literature from the 19th century (Dostoevsky, Gogol and Chekhov are my favorite authors). If I could have dinner with anyone in the world, I would love to dine and talk with Angela Merkel, because I have deep respect for her outstanding leadership skills.



Tinatin Khulordava

Hello! I am Tiko Khulordava, from Georgia. I am a second-year student at the Graduate School of Public Policy. I got my bachelor's degree from Mount Holyoke College in MA, USA, with a double major in politics and economics. Before coming to Tokyo, I worked at the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia for two years, and then at a state agency that focuses on supporting SMEs in the country - Enterprise Georgia - for another year. In the future I hope to contribute to the economic development of Georgia by analysing the country's existing public policies and state programs, and designing new ones. If I could have dinner with anyone, I would love to dine with Michelle Obama to hear more about her experiences in the White House and beyond.

PROJECT: Tackling Cyberbullying in Japan with Social And Emotional Learning A Pilot Project In Setagaya Ward

The rise in the number of reported cases and the ongoing digitalization at schools during the past years has made cyberbullying a pressing issue of the whole of Japanese society, and by extension, the international community. To fundamentally tackle this issue, our proposal is to implement a Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum in schools in Japan, which focuses on learning and applying a set of social and emotional skills, attitudes, behaviors, and values that can foster empathy and emotional management in children. The acquisition of these skills will lower the chances of them becoming either a bully, victim, or bystander in cyberspace. With proven effectiveness and feasibility, SML aims at addressing the root of the issue. Our proposed curriculum (J-SELAC), referenced from an existing SML curriculum "Competent Kids, Caring Communities", are tailor-designed with elements tackling cyberbullying and being placed suitably within Japan's context. A pilot project targeting 4th graders of a private elementary school in Setagaya city – a progressive and financially independent city in the Tokyo Metropolitan area, is proposed to be launched. The whole project will be conducted in separate stages, first focusing on implementing the pilot program, then moving on to expanding the project in Setagaya as well as in Greater Tokyo Area based on the observed results, and finally advocating for the inclusion of J-SELAC in the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology's Anti-Bullying Preventative Measure's Code.

TEAM:



Dwiky Wibowo

Dwiky is currently pursuing Master of Public Policy at the University of Tokyo as a Monbukagakusho scholar. Prior to his study, Dwiky has six years of professional experience in intergovernmental organisation, government agency, and non-profit organisation. He has worked with the ASEAN Secretariat, the Australian Embassy in Jakarta, and the Australian Consortium for 'In-Country' Indonesian Studies (ACICIS) where he was involved in the programs of Journalism, International Relations and Public Health. Currently Dwiky is working with the Capacity Building and Training Department of Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) based in Tokyo, Japan.



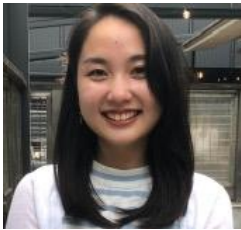
Hiep DO Hoang

Hiep DO Hoang is a second year master candidate at the Graduate School of Public Policy of University of Tokyo. Hiep holds a bachelor degree in Informatics from Shizuoka University, with a focus on Socio-Information Studies. During his undergraduate years, Hiep has been an active member of the International Student Conference – a student organization based in Japan that aims at researching and solving global issues from the perspective of students. His academic interests include media studies, gender studies, human rights and international conflict study.



Ka Ying Wong

Ka Ying is currently pursuing a Master of Public Policy degree at the University of Tokyo. Prior to that, Ka Ying was an undergraduate at The University of Hong Kong as well as an exchange student at University of Cambridge and University of Toronto. Ka Ying's main academic interest is on urban development and her dissertation focuses on real estate economics and finance discussing scale efficiency of the Asian Real Estate Investment Trusts. To further serve her interests, she worked as an intern in Our Hong Kong Foundation, Urban Renewal Authority, and Cushman and Wakefield. In the future, she aspires to apply her skills and knowledge learnt to promote urban sustainability.



Mahiro Nagao

Mahiro Nagao is a first-year Master of Public Policy student at the Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo. Her academic interest centers around urban and regional planning, ranging from development economics to urban sociology. Prior to joining GraSPP, she completed her bachelor's degree majoring in Economics and Sociology. Her experience includes conducting field research during her study abroad year in London, working with a local advocacy group and University College London on participatory model of urban planning. She currently serves on a city's board of council for urban environmental policy. Aside from her studies, she enjoys cooking and taking long walks.



Miyu Yamanaka

Miyu Yamanaka is a first-year Master of Public Policy candidate at the University of Tokyo. She received her bachelor's degree from the faculty of law at Keio University, where she specialized in competition law and spent a year studying in the United States as part of an exchange program. Her experiences working with student advocate groups for gender equality, lobbying organizations, and political consulting agencies in Japan and the United States during her undergraduate years cultivated her interest in the intersection of technology, political participation, and regulation policy. In her free time, Miyu enjoys writing book and movie reviews on anonymous social media accounts.

PROJECT: Tackling the aging population by increasing birth rates in South Korea

With a continuous decline in the global fertility rate, South Korea has ranked lowest out of 198 countries, a key causality being the rigidity of the labor market. Women dominate jobs in Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), part-time, or self-employment, lacking the social protection and work-life flexibility provided in larger companies. We introduce a three-step proposal, “WSME” (women in SMEs, pronounced “we’s me”, akin to “with me”) to the South Korean Ministry of Employment and Labor, and the Presidential Committee on Ageing Society and Population Policy. In the short-term, the government should work with the UN’s Flexible Working Arrangements (FWA) to establish universal teleworking infrastructures for SMEs. In the long-term, subsidized daycare systems within SMEs should be expanded, by employing elderly citizens provided with vocational training to build community-run daycare systems. The aim of these policies is to provide trustworthy childcare centers, through community integration, in turn encouraging the dual improvement of female employment and fertility rate.

TEAM:

Inhyep Kim

I am currently doing a double degree program at UTokyo Graspp and Seoul National University GSIS. I am currently studying Korea-Japan relations especially how state-society relations and contentious politics affect patterns of cooperation and conflict in ROK-Japan relations. I have had an experience of working as research assistant and teaching assistant during my undergrad years. I am currently a participant of BK (Brain Korea) 21 Four Program which is funded by the national research foundation of Korea.



Jeung Seung

Jeung Seung (JS) Lee is currently a dual-degree MA candidate at Seoul National University's Graduate School of International School (GSIS) and the University of Tokyo's Graduate School of Public Policy (GrasPP). After graduating from the University of Texas at Austin with Bachelor of Business Administration, JS has served in the Republic of Korea Navy as an interpreting officer for 3 years during which he participated in various multinational military conferences. Recently JS worked at the UN Department of Peace Operations (DPO) as an intern, and he is currently working at China-Japan-Korea Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (TCS) as a Project Assistant. His research interests include nuclear non-proliferation, arms control and disarmament, and peacekeeping operations.



Mia Lewis Yamakawa

Mia is a 1st year MPP/IP student, undertaking the Dual Degree Campus Asia program at the University of Tokyo and Seoul National University. She recently completed her studies at King's College London and holds a BA in International Relations. Her research focuses on relations within East Asia, with particular interest in understanding Japanese youth perspectives towards politics. Through her master's degree, with integrated study-abroad opportunities, she hopes to widen her perspectives and understand societal structures in order to better understand societies and ultimately

create more inclusive environments. Aside from her studies, she finds joy in working in restaurants and cafes, allowing her to connect with the local community. In London she was able to work with vegetable delivery services and vegan restaurants, whilst in Japan working across Osaka, Kyoto and Tokyo at small local restaurants.

Yoonha LEE

I am a highly motivated and experienced researcher who specializes in the field of international development cooperation. As a master's candidate at both Seoul National University and Peking University, I am committed to research and development with the ultimate aim of enhancing cooperation among East Asian countries through ICT4D. I have published some articles and thesis on the cultural aspects of South Korea's ICT ODA with its linkages to the regional policies in Southeast Asia. With more than five years of working experience at human rights NGO, government-affiliated research institute, and the United Nations Development Programme, I am able to demonstrate strong research expertise with the proven ability to conduct policy research and communicate with many different stakeholders. I am enthusiastic about my work and take great pride in achieving what I can do. I am excited to do further studies and to be able put my learning into a practical implementation through participating in the GPPN conference.

Hertie School

PROJECT: Community to Action

The ever-increasing frequency of natural disasters influenced by climate change are disproportionately devastating low-income families around the world. Community to Action increases localised resilience and community protection. Our organisation mobilises individuals from high-risk communities to collaborate with existing state institutions, provides disaster response training, and equalises access to welfare measures for the most marginalised people. Natural disasters impact each community differently, modified and amplified by differences in income and geography. It is essential to contextualise the disaster response according to the communities' needs, and this can be done by equipping the affected communities with the proper tools and knowledge required to respond. By decentralising response measures, we will improve the urgency of action and move the nexus of safety and future wellness into the hands of the families themselves, aided with structured support from the state. Our program is designed with the most vulnerable populations in mind, and our ultimate goal is to ensure urgent and efficient Community to Action.

TEAM:



Daniel Muncaster

Dan is a first-year student in the Hertie School's Master of Public Policy (MPP) program, and a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy. His service focus is on poverty and homeless policy within cities, while he focuses academically on genocide and mass atrocity prevention. Dan serves as co-President of the Hertie School Security Club, where he works toward increasing awareness of ongoing atrocities. He attends the Hertie School through the DAAD scholarship and the Rotary Ambassadorial Grant.



Jaisal Singh Shergill

Jaisal is a first year MPP student at the Hertie School in Berlin and has a keen interest in politics, security and defence policy. He has a Bachelor's degree in commerce from Mumbai University and has previously worked in consulting and also has experience with a politician and at a think tank.



Lakshi Bhatia

Lakshi is a 2023 Master of Public Policy candidate at the Hertie School. She couldn't choose between art, academia and activism so chose to major in Journalism. A digital journalist by training, her interests span social policy and innovation, cross-cutting areas of skill development, labour markets, platform governance, and digitalisation. Her last stint was with The Times of India. In her journalistic career, she has dabbled in long-form writing as well as creation of slick, immersive multimedia content in India's bustling newsrooms. Her work involved news writing, editing video segments, producing content in a range of formats (from infotainment to documentaries) on geopolitics, political economy, tech, health, public policy from the lens of the pulls and pressures of an ambitious democracy. When unoccupied with work, she can be found pretending to read hardbacks while listening to stand-up specials. Her other sparkling passions include music, cafe hopping, painting miniature postcards, and finding a cure for her Tsundoku.



Meghna Jalan

I am Meghna Jalan, currently pursuing masters of Public Policy from the Hertie School, Berlin. I have four years of work experience, which includes 15 months of working as a chief of staff with a Lok Sabha MP, Mr Tathagata Satpathy and three years of working with APCO Worldwide, a global communications and consultancy firm as a consultant.



Siddharth Padmanabhan

Siddharth is a first-year student in the Hertie School's Master of Public Policy (MPP) programme. He has had previous experience with NGOs, where he designed and led interventions towards achieving social equity of under-resourced communities, leveraged advocacy and drove collaboration between civil society organisations and policymakers. His professional interests lie around exploring the adverse impact of climate change on the most marginalised communities and developing strategies to ensure an equitable and sustainable development of these communities.

PROJECT: "Gute Nachbarn": A co-living proposal for Berlin's elderly and young migrants

As Germany's population ages, there are more elderly who have lost loved ones or who don't have any significant connection in their life. Their loneliness is exacerbated by the ever-increasing digitalisation in our social lives, a trend many elderly people cannot possibly follow. At the same time, as an increasing number of people flee conflicts and adverse effects of climate change, there is a need for better integration of refugees in society. Our proposal aims to provide social value by allowing these two groups to positively interact and contribute to solve their common issues. The aim of our project is to develop an economically and socially feasible policy proposal for the Public Administration in Berlin to jointly tackle loneliness, affordable housing, and social inclusion for the elderly and for refugees. The project consists on an intergenerational co-living that combines housing plans and integration practices, community building and digital technologies for refugees and local population aged 65 or above.

TEAM:



Alice Bisio

I am an activist and student in international affairs at the Hertie School, interested in finding innovative ways to help marginalised groups and create social impact. I finished my bachelor's degree in PPLE (Politics, Psychology, Law and Economics), which gave me the interdisciplinary skills to understand the complexities of the 21st century.

I've worked for 180DC (a student consulting organization for social purposes) as a Consultant and Consulting director; I've also collaborated with Amref, an NGO operating in Europe and Africa, on a program to prevent and advocate against female genital mutilation; currently, I am working for GIZ, an International development organization based in Germany, on an international cooperation project aiming to enhance security cooperation between Europe and South-East Asia.



Arne Arens

"Arne is a first-year Master of Public Policy student at the Hertie School, specializing in policy analysis. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Social Sciences from Libera Università di Bolzano. Prior to coming to Berlin, he volunteered as a COVID-19 replacement teacher at a German high school and worked with Amnesty International Italia and Arcigay Centaurus to raise awareness for human rights issues. He is passionate about the climate change and poverty nexus, as well as European migration and asylum policy. Next to his studies, he works as a research assistant for the CoalExit research group, focusing on just transitions in German lignite mining regions."



Júlia Cots-Capell

My name is Júlia Cots-Capell and I am a first-year MPP student at the Hertie School in Berlin. In 2018 I graduated from Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona with a BA in Law and a BSc in Economics. Since passing the Spanish Bar Exam, and until I started studying in Berlin, I practised as an employment and Social Security lawyer. Today, besides participating in the GPPN conference, I am also one of CIVICA's ambassadors, promoting interaction and knowledge exchange within the alliance's communities. My main area of interest is the

design, implementation and analysis of labour policies, especially those that can contribute to social equity and to the sustainable management of the common good.



Sandeep Uma Veera Satya Kalepu

Sandeep has over 10 years of experience working in international organizations and the public sector in the area of digitalisation. He is right now in the final semester of his Executive Master of Public Administration at Hertie School with concentration in Digitalisation and big data. He worked with a couple of state Governments in India for the last 6 years specially in the education space with a major focus on digitalization.

PROJECT: Hertie Nuclear Consensus

Once the paramount concern in international security, weapons of mass destruction have steadily lost their centrality since the end of the Cold War. As a result, the regulating framework for nuclear weapons is outdated and inadequate to address the current security canvas and power imbalance between nuclear-weapon states.

The Hertie Nuclear Consensus aims at creating a more sustainable strategic environment in the long term through a tailored approach to nuclear regulation. The Consensus combines an agenda setting with a series of confidence-building measures (CBM), primarily directed to enhancing nuclear transparency – and thus predictability – to facilitate the mitigation of nuclear capabilities' escalation potential. In an ambitious yet realistic approach, the Hertie Nuclear Consensus' purpose is the incremental implementation of a softer regime that would eventually precipitate into a binding regime in the long-term perspective.

TEAM:



Patrick von Rakowski

Patrick von Rakowski is a first-year Master of International Affairs (MIA) candidate at the Hertie School of Governance. Before joining the Hertie School, Patrick received his Bachelor in Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) from the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, where he specialised in Politics and Philosophy. His interests lie in the construction of populist meaning with a particular emphasis on the construction of far-right discourse in Europe. Further, he has conducted research on the rise of Euroscepticism and the constraints of European supranational institutions. His aim with pursuing the Master in International Affairs with a concentration in European Governance is to better understand the dynamics of the EU and contribute to shaping a firmer identity for Europe future.



Sébastien Chassot

Sébastien Chassot is a first-year Master's candidate in International Affairs at the Hertie School of Governance. He is simultaneously pursuing a Master of Philosophy at the University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. Following a double Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Political Science, also from the University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, he carried out a one-year traineeship at the Embassy of Switzerland in France in 2019-2020 where he worked as an Attaché to the Embassy's Political Affairs section. As a Swiss citizen growing up abroad,

Sébastien has developed an acute sense of global political dynamics in the long haul. He is strongly interested in foresight studies, with a specific focus in international and human security.

Steve Zhu

Steve is a Canadian citizen currently a first-year Master of International Affairs student at the Hertie School, with a specialization in International Security and professional interests in grand strategy, asymmetrical warfare, civil-military fusion and nuclear security. Prior to studying at the Hertie School, he was an undergrad student at the University of Toronto where he obtained a double major in Political Science and History. In his spare time, he is a contributor for the Commandant Journal; a student run publication with a focus on foreign and military affairs, an avid backpacker and foodie.

Timothy Chan Ying Jie

Timothy is currently a first-year student pursuing Master of International Affairs at the Hertie School. Originally from Kuching, a city on the island of Borneo – he completed his economics degree from the University of Nottingham. He has experience in working in the public sector in the Ministry of Trade and Industry and in policy think tanks. He has a passion in international political economy, economic development, and public policy.

Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore

PROJECT: InteGREAT! - A Job Portal for Displaced Venezuelan Refugees to Land Jobs in Host Countries

According to the United Nations International Organisation for Migration (IOM), approximately 5.4 million refugees from Venezuela have been fleeing into neighbouring Latin American and Caribbean countries, seeking work and a better life. By analysing the key challenges of Venezuelan refugees and existing support interventions, this proposal identifies stable employment to be a strong determinant to successful integration. In this paper, we propose and examine the viability of an innovative online platform solution to address the long-term needs of refugees and migrants from Venezuela, empower them to overcome the barriers in accessing the formal labour market and ultimately enhance their economic stability in their host country.

TEAM:



Chan Wing Yin Rachel

Rachel is passionate about empowering communities and believes in the importance of responsible and sustainable development. Currently pursuing a Master's in Public Policy at LKYSPP, she is interested to learn about how policy can be an ally and partner to the underserved. In her previous role as Assistant Policy Manager at AVPN, a social investment network based in Singapore, she supported the network's policy engagement and outreach to bring together public, private, and philanthropic sectors to scale and support social

enterprises across Asia. Rachel holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of British Columbia (Vancouver).



Hui Tsz Kin

Hui Tsz Kin (Kenny) is a first-year Master in Public Policy Candidate at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. He went to high school in Costa Rica and obtained his Economics degree in the United States. Prior to joining the programme, Kenny has worked as a consultant in various countries, including Costa Rica, Venezuela, the U.S., Malaysia, and Japan. He is particularly drawn to building the capacity of individuals and organizations in order to help create social change and eradicate poverty.



Wen Nuan

Wen Nuan is a first-year Master of Public Policy student at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Before joining LKYSPP, she has been working in communication consultations for nearly eight years, with extensive experience in communication strategy and strong media networks in mainland China, Hong Kong and west European countries covering healthcare, technology and FMCG sectors. Her prior experience includes strategy consultations for Chinese technology companies going global, crisis management, digital marketing, image rebranding for tourism boards, as well as CSR initiatives for children's oral health in China and visually impaired community in the UK.

PROJECT: Levelling the Playing Field: Narrowing the Knowledge Gap in China

The first digital divide in technological access has been generally resolved by the Chinese government through investments in information and communication technologies ("ICTs"). However, the second digital divide has risen in prominence recently, featuring disparate usage of technology in education. This divide has not yet been closed, resulting in the Chinese government's ICT infrastructure lying idle in schools, teachers missing out on productivity gains, and parents and students being unable to reap test score gains from e-learning (Li, 2017; Cody et.al, 2019).

This project proposes a government-led universal e-learning platform targeted at early education as a comprehensive solution. It will be rolled out in a four-stage implementation process, with extensive stakeholder engagement at all stages to not only improve acceptability and take-up rates, but also improve the e-learning platform for students.

TEAM:



Brandon Loi

Brandon Loi is a second-year Masters in Public Policy student in the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, with a specialisation in economics and development. He is passionate about both quantitative and qualitative analytics. He has worked with a small to medium enterprise in the security technology space to craft innovative solutions to a challenging project. He has also engaged in extensive research work in the private markets through internships with Deloitte & Touche LLP, Heliconia Capital Management Pte Ltd and NAVIS Capital Partners. He is proficient in STATA and Python, and is fluent in English and

Chinese. In his spare time, he enjoys bowling, weightlifting and various mind sports like chess and contract bridge.



Cheng Xinyue

Cheng Xinyue is a second-year Master candidate of International Affairs at National University of Singapore. Xinyue obtained her bachelor degree in international politics before she joined Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. She has strong interests in gender equality, elderly care, and urban development. She had internships as a political risk analyst and a business analyst to provide insights for multinational companies' overseas investments. She is fluent in Chinese and English. In her spare time, Xinyue enjoys endurance running, hiking, bicycling and swimming.



Shen Tianyu

Shen Tianyu is currently pursuing her Master of Public Policy degree from Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore. She achieved her BA in Communications, and her academic interests mainly focus on the impact of technology in social perspectives. Previously, she interned at Thomson Reuters News Agency in Shanghai, and Monetization Integrity Team of Tiktok in Singapore.

PROJECT: SEARCH - South East Asia Real Time Crisis Help

Time is vital during crises. This project proposes SEARCH (Southeast Asian Real-time Crisis Help), a civil society-led, fast-response solution for emergency aid provision resulting from life, livelihood and infrastructural damages during disasters. This one-stop portal for skills-based role-matching between volunteers and organisations accelerates time-to-market for aid provision, complementing formal search and rescue efforts. These can range from last-mile delivery of medical supplies to welfare support. SEARCH will be piloted in Indonesia under AHA Center with the intent of scaling up to other Southeast Asian countries thereafter. SEARCH aligns with UN Sustainable Development Goals 3 (Good Health and Well-being), 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), 13 (Climate Action) and 15 (Life on Land).

TEAM:



Bima Satria

Bima Satria is a final-year Masters of Public Policy (MPP) student at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (LKYSPP), National University of Singapore. He has a bachelor's degree in urban and regional planning. Prior to graduate school, he worked at the Indonesian Ministry of Planning and National Development (Bappenas) for two and a half years. He was an intern for the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) and currently is working as a research assistant for Energy Studies Institute (ESI) and Case Study Unit (CSU) at LKYSPP. He is interested in policy instruments to alleviate poverty and reduce development disparities amidst the immense threats of climate change.



Foo Jia Xin

Foo Jia Xin is a student of Masters of Public Policy (MPP) programme at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Prior to graduate school, she worked as a Division Lead in Silver Generation Office, Agency for Integrated Care (AIC) where she conducted qualitative assessment of seniors and implemented relevant policies. She has conducted research in urban poverty and WASH (Water, Sanitation and Health) in World Vision Lanka, and coordinated programmes for the intellectually disabled in HandsOn Shanghai. She is interested in numerous social issues and works towards creating an inclusive society for all.



Kendra Wong

Kendra Wong is a final-year Masters of Public Policy student at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Prior to graduate school, Kendra was a Senior Executive at Singapore Airlines, where she has experience in communications and data analysis. Kendra also served with the Singapore Ministry of Health in the peak of the Covid-19 crisis in Singapore in 2020. In pursuing postgraduate education, she hopes to learn more about the nexus between national solutions and global policy challenges.



Sanya Sardana

Sanya Sardana is a Data Scientist turned Monitoring and Evaluation consultant to India's largest education NGO, Pratham Education Foundation. She is currently pursuing a Masters of Public Policy at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Sanya seeks to leverage her interdisciplinary training in data science and public policy to tackle society's most challenging problems. She is particularly keen on contributing to causes which mitigate the adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on those who are most vulnerable.

PROJECT: Team PokPong

The rise of online social platforms has created harmful effects on children yet solutions for child online safety in Thailand are insufficient to educate and protect child users. We propose the creation of PokPong, an app-based learning platform for children (age 6-18). It delivers gamified and localized educational modules developed iteratively. PokPong can be integrated with social media platforms to reduce harm by increasing child online safety. In the long-run, we believe that PokPong will contribute towards creating a society that promotes healthier online behaviors and protection towards children.

TEAM:



Gabriel Chen

Gabriel is a final year Master in Public Policy candidate at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. He holds a degree in Economics from the University of Warwick, and has prior experience in public affairs and political risk consulting. Gabriel's research interests lie in the political economy of development, inequality, and energy policy. He hopes to one day attend a GPPN conference in person.



Krit Sriprach

Krit is a veteran central banker with eight years of experience at the Bank of Thailand. He has expertise in macroeconomics, financial market, banking, and digital economy, while his interest lies in political economy and geopolitics. Currently, he studies technology market design that works for all, and he believes in presenting information to stimulate public-wide debate regarding public policy. He holds a Bachelor of Economics from Chulalongkorn University.



Nipattra Chaiprakobwiriya

Nipattra is a final-year student in the Master in Public Policy Programme at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. She holds a degree in Politics and International Relations from Thammasat University, Thailand. Prior to LKYSPP, she worked in the public sector, international NGOs, and a media agency for social change. She also brings experience working with the world's leading social media platform and knowledge on Southeast Asia's digital landscape. Nipattra's interests lie in human rights, policy communication, and internet safety.



Nurin Adila Bte Shahrin

Adila is a Master in Public Policy candidate at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. She holds a degree in Global Studies from the National University of Singapore, and has previously worked in a non-profit organization that champions racial and religious diversity. She also brings experience conducting research for think tanks on key trends in Asia. She is interested in analysing the intersections of gender in tech policy, conflict and humanitarian situations, and social issues.



Ryan Chua Wei Quan

Ryan is a Master in Public Policy student at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. He graduated with a law degree from Cardiff University, and has public sector experience in policy development and research with think tanks based in Finland, Singapore, and Malaysia. He also has prior experience with public affairs and security risk analysis. He is interested in the nexus between politics, institutions, and technology.

PROJECT: "The Coming Season: The Challenges of Menstruation Stigma among Schoolgirls in Rural Cambodia"

"The coming season" or "Mok-ro-dov" is a term for period or menstruation in Cambodia, suggesting menstruation as an event that keeps coming naturally and regularly like seasons. Nevertheless, the cultural norm perceives period as unpure. This stigma, combined with lack of sensitisation and understanding from boys through teasing or bullying, can lead to girls missing school during their period and eventually dropping out. Further, myths on menstrual hygiene management (MHM) adversely impact girls' menstrual health and well-being. To raise awareness and promote open conversations to destigmatise menstruation and educate Cambodian girls and boys on menstruation, we propose a simplified board game as a more accessible, low-cost, and sustainable solution.

TEAM:



Chunboramy Kuch

From Cambodia, Boramy is a second-year Master's in International Affairs student at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy. She holds a bachelor's degree in Global Affairs from the American University of Phnom Penh. Her areas of interest revolve around social issues, particularly education, rural development, women empowerment, and social inequalities. Previously, she has engaged in a number of community activities, such as running an awareness-raising campaign on Sustainable Development Goals and being part of youth projects on education and leadership; and has interned at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in Cambodia, the International Committee of the Red Cross (Kuala Lumpur Regional Delegation), Control Risks' Singapore Office, and other local NGOs based in Cambodia and Singapore.



Lee Lok Kwan, Jennifer

Jennifer Lee is a second year Master of International Affairs candidate at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Prior to joining the LKPSPP, she has received her Bachelor of International relations degree at the Australian National University, with a focus on ASEAN. Jennifer is passionate about gender, race, and culture. With strong interests in these areas, she has conducted related research work under the Embassy of the Republic of Korea and the Delegation of Palestine respectively in Canberra, Australia.



Tang Wan Xin Louise

Louise Tang is a Singaporean in her second year of the Master in International Affairs programme at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. Prior to joining LKYSPP, Louise received her Bachelor's degree in Business Management at Singapore Management University, with a double major in Finance and Political Science. She is passionate about sustainable development especially in the Southeast Asia region, and has interned with Abbott Laboratories, Sustainable Development Investment

Partnership (SDIP) ASEAN Hub, Médecins Sans Frontières Hong Kong, and Singapore Food Agency.



Zhizhi Ruan

Zhizhi Ruan is a second-year student at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. She holds a BA in Korean Studies from Nanjing University, having spent a semester abroad at Korea University. She has significant experience working in various industries, including government institutions, think tanks, IOs, and NGOs. Her interests include enterprise digital transformation, enterprise management, and macroeconomics.

School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University

PROJECT: De Corazón a Corazón

De Corazón a Corazón is a fast-track program that integrates medical professionals with Venezuelan degrees into the Colombian healthcare system. It seeks to address skill loss among highly skilled migrants and gaps in Colombia's universal health coverage. Following the humanitarian crisis in Venezuela, Colombia has struggled to provide healthcare to its 1.8 million Venezuelan migrants and respond to the COVID-19-pandemic. At the same time, the arduous degree validation process has prevented a majority of the Venezuelan medical professionals in Colombia from working in the health sector. We intend to partner with Colombian authorities and international organizations to develop a seven-week hybrid learning program that addresses the current challenges facing the Colombian healthcare system and provides quality assurance of participants' skills. Upon completion, participants would provide primary care to underserved communities via a supervised skills match program while their formal degree validation is processed.

TEAM:



Arianna Friedman

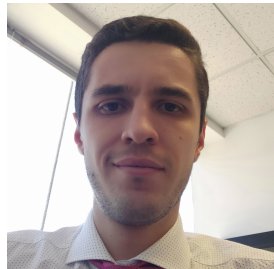
Arianna Friedman (MIA'23) thinks about problems facing the future of cities, especially for places in conflict confronting humanitarian emergencies. Her interest in leveraging public-private partnerships to guide established channels and innovative organizations is informed by five years of working at urban development and architecture firms. At Columbia University, Arianna is researching the effectiveness and suitability of different economic and social inclusion models in diverse refugee contexts. Through SIPA's Economic and Political Development workshop, she is working with a team to conduct a meta-analysis about the

sustainability of implementing the graduation approach for people affected by displacement. She is also collaborating with a photojournalist to develop a photography workshop for displaced LGBTQ+ individuals in Istanbul.



Carly Gallo

Carly Gallo (MPA '23) passion lies at the intersection of human-centered design and migration—specifically how to create innovative transitional living options by ways of sustainability eliminating refugee camps. Carly has worked in the international development space for the past seven years in various professional capacities. She worked in Ethiopia for 28 months to develop effective health systems to monitor, combat, and research infectious diseases with regional health officials. Most recently she was the Assistant Director at a VC-inspired nonprofit that provides seed funding and advisory support to young social entrepreneurs. At Columbia, Carly is focused on the understanding relationship between migration and governments within the context of humanitarian crisis. She is currently the Treasurer of the Migration Working Group at Columbia, and holds a B.A. in Architecture from Florida International University.



Diego Herrera

Diego Herrera (MPA' 23) is focused on the way in which political institutions and economic development relate. He worked for two years in the National Planning Department of Colombia, participating in key policies such as the guidelines for economic recovery for the country. Before this he was a consultant for non-profit agencies, focusing on underprivileged groups, such as indigenous communities, internal conflict victims, and ex-combatants. At Columbia University, Diego is aiming his degree towards political constraints of development and management of the public sector. Diego holds a B.A in Political Science from University of Los Andes in Bogotá, Colombia.



Erick J. Rozo

Erick J. Rozo (MPA-DP '22) holds a B.A. in international affairs from Universidad Central de Venezuela, a certificate in public policy for youth from the Organization of American States (OAS-FLACSO) and a certificate on empowerment and civic engagement from the UTSA. He worked in the sales division of private wealth management in New York for over three years. In this capacity, he served as a liaison for diverse initiatives and organized demonstrations and forums to raise awareness on the Venezuelan emergency, who also organized for the Venezuelan diaspora in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut. He is a founder of the Venezuelan political party Voluntad Popular and serves on the Steering Committee for Young Professionals of the Americas at the Americas Society/Council of the Americas.



Therese Scocco

Therese Scocco (MIA'23) is focused on the intersection of humanitarian crises and migration. Before joining SIPA, she worked for 1.5 years as an Administrator at the Folke Bernadotte Academy, the Swedish agency for peace, security and development, first within deployment to peace operations and then within governance support in fragile situations. Her other experiences include an internship with the Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations in New York, where she helped facilitate humanitarian resolutions, and volunteer work

for Solidarity Network with Migrants Japan. Therese has done several projects focusing on migrant workers in the past; In her bachelor's thesis, she focused on the work environment for posted workers in the construction industry in the EU; In a project at The University of Tokyo, she investigated human rights abuses within the Technical Intern Training Program in Japan.

PROJECT: Grapevine

A Community-Led Network for Vaccine Guidance in the US: Despite leading vaccine production, the US is the least vaccinated member of the G7 because of widespread vaccine hesitancy, fed by medical mistrust and misinformation. We propose "Grapevine," a community-based platform that connects people with local medical experts to ask anonymous, vaccine-related questions. Grapevine gives vaccine hesitant individuals, particularly those belonging to racial minorities, an easily accessible, local source of accurate information based on direct human connection. Users anonymously enter their zip code, and get answers from a verified local health professional. Because responses are geographically based, they also include auto-populated information on where to get vaccinated. Questions and answers are published to a local forum, and shareable across social media. Sustained engagement sets Grapevine apart from current public health campaigns and helps rebuild trust in the health system, including among marginalized communities. Rollout, supported by federal funding, will prioritize US counties with the lowest vaccination rates. While we intend to pilot Grapevine in the US, the platform's local appeal is easily scalable to other countries.

TEAM:



Nikhil Ramnarayan

Nikhil Ramnarayan is a second year dual Master's degree student in Public Administration with a focus on Economic and Political Development at Columbia SIPA and Epidemiology at the Mailman School of Public Health. Nikhil received a BA in Human Biology and Music from Stanford University. Prior to SIPA, he was Chief of Staff at Noora Health, an award-winning NGO in South Asia, where over a span of 4 years, he helped expand the organization across India and Bangladesh. His research interests lie in international development, health systems strengthening, and global health investments.



Nitisha Tripathi

Nitisha Tripathi, with a formal training in law, brings nearly six years of research and advocacy experience of working at the intersection of policy, politics and technology in India. Prior to SIPA, she has advised political parties on national and state election campaigns, supported legal non-profit on data collection and analysis on human rights violations, developed communication strategies and policy proposals for the Indian Government focused on consumer affairs and online platform regulation. As a Masters of Public Administration student at SIPA, with a concentration in Economic and Political Development and specialization in Technology, Media and Communications, she is passionate about developing policy solutions for countering online mis- and disinformation, with a special focus on election integrity initiatives. Nitisha is working as a Research Assistant at the Tow Centre for Digital Journalism at Columbia University. She is fluent in English and Hindi.



Ashwin Dubey

Ashwin Dubey is a first-year Master of Public Administration student at Columbia SIPA. He is concentrating on Social Policy and specializing in Technology, Media, and Communications. Prior to SIPA, he worked in the education domain for more than five years at different levels from teaching middle-school to consulting with a state government's education department. His areas of work included teaching, policy implementation, community engagement, and governance. His undergraduate major was Mechanical Engineering.



Maggie Munts

Maggie Munts is a Masters of International Affairs student at Columbia SIPA with an academic concentration in social development and dual specialization in technology and gender. Prior to SIPA, Maggie was a digital product and program manager at Amazon.com, where she developed and grew multi-billion-dollar portfolios across Amazon Devices, Marketplace and Retail. She brings a keen understanding of scalable innovation, technology platforms, digital UX and UI, private sector solutions and business strategy to her studies at SIPA. After SIPA, Maggie is eager to build and scale technologies that improve social development outcomes and overall quality of life. Her areas of interests include gender and the digital divide, human-centered design, telehealth, internet governance, online trust and safety, and digital development. At Columbia, Maggie is also a Fellow in the International Fellows Program, which examines the origins of the current international order and the problem-solving and leadership skills required for the world that will eventually take its place. Maggie received her BA in International Affairs and Spanish from Pomona College and is fluent in both Spanish and English.

PROJECT: National Community Solar Program for the Amazon (SolarAmazon)

The National Community Solar Program for the Amazon (SolarAmazon) is a public policy proposal to address the growing energy security crisis in Brazil. In the Amazon, deforestation has been drastically changing rain patterns and intensifying droughts, affecting the country's energy generation capacity. Since the COVID-19 pandemic started, poverty and food insecurity have spiked and, with the continuous rise in prices, electricity has become more unaffordable, leading to spillover effects on the economy. SolarAmazon is divided into three stages: (i) the creation of economies of scale; (ii) improvement of the regulatory framework and financial strategies to boost PV manufacturing and assembly and, (iii) engagement of local stakeholders to foster community ownership. This one-stop shop policy unlocks the development of solar markets in Brazil and triggers economic cooperation with Latin America.



TEAM:

Eduarda Zoghbi

Hailing from Brazil, Eduarda Zoghbi is a political scientist working towards her master's in public administration at Columbia University, where she is concentrating in energy and

environment. Over the last year, Eduarda served as an energy and gender consultant at Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL), where she worked on electricity access policies and mainstreaming gender in energy projects to achieve SDG 7. Most recently, she was selected for the Atlantic Council's Women Leaders in Energy Fellowship and received the North American Association for Environmental Education 30 Under 30 award. Before graduate school, Eduarda was a climate change consultant at the Inter-American Development Bank in Brazil, where she worked with the Brazilian government to manage and implement projects related to sustainable infrastructure, green finance, forestry, and agriculture.



Giovanna Antoniazzi

Giovanna Antoniazzi is a Master of Public Administration candidate at the School of International and Public Affairs of Columbia University, concentrating in Urban and Social Policy in the US Region. She is currently a Research Assistant at SIPA, studying the impact of COVID-19 on New Yorkers to better provide necessary microdata for policymaking. Giovanna has extensive experience in elections, working on both national and local campaigns. Prior to arriving at SIPA, Giovanna worked in the Secretary of Labor and Economic Development of São Paulo, developing and implementing professional development public policy.



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Giulia Branco Spiess is a Master of Public Administration (MPA) candidate at the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) of Columbia University. From Brazil and based in New York, Giulia holds a bachelor's degree in Public Administration from Fundação Getulio Vargas (FGV), a minor degree in International Relations, and a specialization in Advocacy and Public Policies from the same institution. She worked for almost five years as deputy manager at a premier public affairs firm called Prospectiva, coordinating the area responsible for political and economic analysis for multinational and national companies sensitive to the Brazilian scenario. Giulia has also worked with consultative engineering in urban development projects and carried out field research on education and income transfer policies in the state of Bahia as well as on the environment in Costa Rica. Voluntarily, she has participated in a political campaign in the Northeast of Brazil and is the director of an education NGO that offers free education to 100 children from 6 months to 4 years of age.



Julia Barreto Leite Bandeira

Julia Barreto Leite Bandeira is a Master of International Affairs candidate at the School of International and Public Affairs of Columbia University. Based in New York City, Julia is an International Dual-Degree student also pursuing a Master in International Management degree at the São Paulo School of Business Administration of Getulio Vargas Foundation in Brazil (FGV-EAESP). Julia holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Universidade Salvador. She worked almost two years in construction; first as an intern in sanitation projects at Engeprol; then at the renovation of Lapa Station as an in-site construction engineer intern. Just after graduating, she realized that engineering was not her passion. The only reason that I stayed so long in that field was because I loved solving crises, understanding and helping people, building their dreams into realities. In this journey, Julia moved to NYC to improve her English and became a mentor in her English school, helping students with their academic

issues, which gave her the opportunity to meet people from all over the world. After that, Julia volunteered in Casablanca, Morocco, where she became an English teacher and educator manager. Back in Brazil, Julia volunteered as a fundraiser at Litro de Luz, an organization that brings lighting solutions to unassisted communities in the country. In that role, she partnered with different organizations/individuals/ philanthropic companies to bring resources to the NGO, built a Business Plan to sustain the fundraising, applied for international funds, participated actively on installation days in the communities and became the manager on the International Fundraising Sector, working directly with the board of the Organization.



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PROJECT: Safal

Approximately 93% of Indian students are aware of not more than 7 career paths, with three-fourths of them enrolling in just 10 disciplines of higher education. An absence of a support system is leaving students, particularly those from low-income households, to make key career decisions without adequate information. We believe that this problem is one of the causal factors for two macroeconomic challenges facing India: (1) significantly low rates of enrollment in higher education institutions and (2) low rates of employability among college graduates. The solution we offer is *Safal* ("success"), a career exploration and navigation platform that utilizes student's demographics, academic performance, and career interests to create a career roadmap that is tailored for them. The platform will fill the void in post-secondary advising that has the potential of benefitting over 315 million high school students in India. Our initial target population, however, are students from low-income households who receive public education in Mumbai, India. We have completed and tested a conceptual *Safal* prototype with a group of Mumbai students in our target demographic. Based on initial feedback, we are forging ahead with a new application design and a website version.

TEAM:

Sangeetha Ramanathan

Sangeetha Ramanathan is a second-year Master in Public Administration candidate at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA). She works as a graduate consultant at the Center for Public Research and Leadership in high-impact consulting projects relating to public education at the Columbia Law School. Previously, she worked as a research associate at J-PAL South Asia on multiple randomized evaluations at the intersection of behavioral economics and poverty, and has designed a psychological first aid intervention that was tailored to cater to the need for mental health

support created by the COVID-19 pandemic. She was a legislative assistant to a Member for Parliament for the Indian State of Sikkim and went on to head his policy research team.



Danran Chen

Danran Chen is a second-year Master of Public Administration student at Columbia SIPA concentrating on Economic and Political Development, with a specialization in East Asia. Before SIPA, she received her bachelor's degree in Economics from Xiamen University, China. Danran is interested in international development and geopolitics. Her prior experience working with social enterprise, policy think tank and risk consulting company in China aspired her to seek a cross-sector collaboration approach in solving arising issues in international development. In her spare time, Danran loves writing and photography.



William Maxwell Mayo

Max is a second-year Master of International Affairs student at Columbia SIPA, concentrating on International Security Policy with a specialization in East Asia and intermediate Mandarin Chinese proficiency. He received his BS in Mechanical Engineering from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. Prior to coming to SIPA, he worked as a Pipe Stress Engineer for 8 years on projects such as the Uranium Processing Facility and Mobile Launcher 2 for the US Department of Energy and NASA, respectively. He is particularly interested in the US-China relationship, game theory, the future of cyber conflict and soft power competition. In his free time, Max enjoys taking Luna, his pet whippet, on walks and considers himself a film buff.

PROJETCT: Sourceable

Reliable and timely documentation of human rights violations is indispensable for the protection of human rights. This process is critical to ensuring peace, justice, and an inclusive society (SDG Goal 16). However, access to verifiable data is a growing global challenge. With the proliferation of advanced technologies to manipulate data, the credibility of journalists, human rights organizations, and prosecutors' is threatened. Our solution empowers victims of and eyewitnesses to human rights violations to document abuses while ensuring the authenticity and safety of their data. Leveraging cutting-edge verification technology, we aim to develop a mobile application and online platform that empowers, connects, and supports communities in documenting abuses. Citizens use the application to document, verify, store, and share content in real-time. The data is then published on our online platform and accessed by our customers - media outlets, human rights professionals, and legal advocates. Our solution amplifies victims' voices and provides a channel for them to share their reality.

TEAM:



Lena Arkawi

Lena Arkawi is a Syrian American activist with 10 years of international experience in the fields of public relations, communications, public affairs, and strategic campaigns. While working with Syrian victims of human rights violations, Lena witnessed first-hand the challenges of obtaining and sharing photos, videos, and stories in real-time to share with media, policymakers, and the wider public in a timely manner. Lena is focused on identifying solutions and working on ways to ensure human rights violations in Syria are documented,

shared, and stored to restore justice and peace in Syria. Today, Lena is completing her Master's degree in International Affairs with a concentration on human rights and humanitarian policy at the School of International and Public Affairs.



Namir Ahmad

Namir Ahmad is a civil engineer with over six years of experience in water conservation and wastewater infrastructure projects, capitalizing on management, and execution across public and private sectors. Namir has a proven track record of exceeding client expectations and delivering high-quality insights and results. Currently, Namir is obtaining a Masters in Public Affairs in Environmental Science and Policy at Columbia University's School of International and Public Administration to strengthen his knowledge and expertise. Namir is always investigating new opportunities that can mitigate environmental and social justice issues and build strategies to catalyze positive change towards a more inclusive and sustainable society.



Silvana Zapata-Ramirez

Silvana Zapata-Ramirez is a Colombian-American professional interested in the intersection of diplomacy, peacebuilding, and corporate responsibility. After five years managing projects, leading people, and improving operations in the private sector, Silvana began a Masters in International Affairs from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs to unite her passion for social good with the executive competence she developed working in the for-profit sector. With experiences working in education, migration relief, and operations, she developed a balanced and nuanced perspective of today's interconnected world. Silvana is passionate about leveraging her multi-cultural background, language skills, and business acumen to continue on a journey of public service.

School of Public Affairs, Sciences Po

PROJECT: Data to empower: A National Authority for People with Disabilities (NAPD)

Gathering precise information on the living conditions of people with disabilities is essential to understand their experiences, exclusion, and difficulties. However, many countries do not have the means and tools to quantify and understand disabled people's needs. In France, during the first wave of COVID-19, statistics on disabled people's infections were presented secondarily and counted together with cases in retirement homes. This lack of information constitutes a violation of the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Our project is to design a model for a National Authority for People with Disabilities (NAPD), an institute of statistics and research linked to national governments, to further the inclusion of disabled people in our societies. This highly symbolic institute aims at producing transparent, reliable and solid quantitative and qualitative knowledge, at promoting the participation of disabled people in an inclusive policy design, and at stimulating the disability research field.

TEAM:



Anna Riolacci

Anna Riolacci is a Social Policy and Innovation Master student in Sciences Po Paris. She holds a trilingual Bachelor degree focused on Politics and Governance. She has field experience working with disabled people. For example, she worked for two years in a non-profit organisation to promote leisure and touristic activities for disabled people in Nancy (France). Her professional goal is to promote a political space for disabled people designed to further their inclusivity in the work space but also in their daily life. In her spare time, she enjoys volunteering in her village's local administration.



Fabien Louchard

Fabien Louchard is a student in his first year of a Master's degree in Public Policy, more precisely specialized in Social policy and social innovation at the School of Public Affairs of Sciences Po Paris. In parallel to his Bachelor's degree in Political Humanities, he has been involved as a student representative and notably worked for the mental health of students. He also founded an association promoting equal opportunities by helping high school students from disadvantaged areas in their university orientation.



Iris Turlan

Iris Turlan is a first-year Master student in Public Policy, with a specialization in Social Policy and Social Innovation. She holds a double-bachelor in Social Sciences and in Philosophy, after studying in Sciences Po Paris and Sorbonne Université, and completing an exchange semester with the University of Vienna. She gained field experience through an internship in a rural third-place dedicated to social and solidarity economics. She has a strong interest for ethics applied to new technologies and environmental issues, and for the transformation and extension of the welfare state towards more inclusivity, both for humans and non-humans. Disabled people's rights and access to public decision-making is a subject that is very dear to her. She enjoys reading, writing, hiking and photography.



Léane Tasset

Léane Tasset is a Social Policy and Innovation Master student in Sciences Po Paris. She holds a trilingual Bachelor degree focused on Economics and Sociology. She has a background in social economy. For example, she worked to deepen the partnership between the local currency and public administration of Nancy (France). Her professional goal is to promote an inclusive socio-economic development by working with field actors and public administrations. In her spare time, she volunteers in various organizations that foster social cohesion in France.

PROJECT: "Good News: revitalizing local journalism"

The decline of local journalism in the United States of America has profound impacts on democracy. With less reporting relevant to local communities and more distance between citizens and civic engagement processes, there is wide opportunity for mis-information and dis-information to proliferate. This can result in increased political extremism and undue influence upon citizen's worldviews on the crucial issues of our time, from public health to national elections. In the USA, there lacks sufficient national investment and strategy to support news outlets within local communities. To face this problem, we propose the creation of a National Journalism Growth Centre (NJGC), a model typically applied in Industry and Innovation policy areas. The NGJC would be an independent not-for-profit organization initially funded by the government that seeks to revive local journalism and tasked with coordinating a range of industry-specific activities— from grant funding to establishing a network of local news consortiums. One of the advantages of this model is its replicability, which will help revitalize local journalism and fight mis-dis- information in various regions around the world.

TEAM:



Anamaría Verdugo

Anamaría is a Chilean Lawyer who's currently undertaking the Master in Public Affairs at Sciences Po School of Public Affairs. She studied law at *Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso*. She has 6 years of work experience in Chile, in both the private and public sector. She previously worked as a legal advisor of the *División Jurídico- Legislativa* of the Ministry of the General Secretariat of the Presidency which allowed her to be in touch with the core of Chilean public policy making in health matters. She has obtained a postgraduate diploma of Economy and Finance for Lawyers at *Universidad de Chile*, and a postgraduate diploma in Public Policy at *Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile*. Her main area of interest is public and global health.



Milena ARSENIJEVIC

Milena is a Master of Public Affairs candidate with Sciences Po. She has spent the last five years in Canberra working with the Australian Government in roles including employment program management and digital economy policy. Her areas of interest include regional development, the future of work, trade and business capability, with a particular focus on using innovative approaches to enhance policy delivery. Prior to this she worked in the media industry in Sydney and holds a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Journalism and Communications from the University of Queensland as well as a Graduate Diploma in Law, Media, and Journalism from the University of New South Wales. Milena is currently working as a Research Assistant in the area of public-private partnerships with Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. She is also participating in a research project with the OECD on tracking progress of policy coherence for sustainable development.



Vaeme Afokpa

Vaeme Afokpa is pursuing a Masters of Public Affairs at Sciences Po. She has spent the last five years working on a range of policies at the state level in the United States – from economic development for NY to drug prescription policy for MA. She considers herself a generalist seeking to help solve large socio-economic issues at a local level. Prior to state government, she worked in finance and politics. Vaeme holds a BA in International Relations from Stanford University.

PROJECT: Incentivising Community Renewables Uptake in India

India expects a rapid uptake by 2030 to realize the national target; 50% energy from renewables. However, marginalized communities do not have equitable access to electricity, and lower-middle income communities find electricity bills hardly affordable. Decentralized renewable energy (RE) solutions and household “prosumers” in the form of community renewable projects yield potential solutions, but scalability and mobilizing the private sector is a hurdle.

We propose a 3A approach. **Acknowledge** - the need for a “holistic legislative foundation” recognizing the economic, social and environmental value of community RE, and multi-faceted objectives of all stakeholders. **Aggregate** - for a “one-stop policy platform” with information sharing and timely updates. **Accommodate** - the private sector with renewed public-private-partnerships among the government, university, investor, and corporation, and a “launchpad” for innovative RE ventures.

This proposal would simultaneously tackle multiple UN Sustainable Development Goals (number 3, 7, 10, 11 and 17), contribute to India’s ambitious energy transition timeline, and empower socio-economic equity on the subcontinent.

TEAM:



Aravind kumar DHAKSHINAMOORTHY

Aravind is a student of Master in Public Policy (MPP) at Sciences Po, specialising in Energy, Environment and Sustainability. With a background in electronics engineering, he has published a technical paper on the subject of maximising efficiency of photovoltaic cells. He has multiple-year professional experience in the automotive industry and currently works in Bellona Europa on carbon accounting for industries. He looks to passionately bridge technology and policy to contribute towards combating climate change.



Karan KOCHHAR

Karan Kochhar is a student of Master in Public Policy (MPP) at Sciences Po, especially in Energy, Environment and Sustainability. He is currently working with the International Energy Agency (IEA) in Paris on Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS). He also worked with the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) on decarbonising heavy industries. He has an academic background in energy engineering and was previously a design engineer in India for three years. During this period, he worked for a renewable energy developer with private and public sector clients in several south-Asian countries on solar PV.



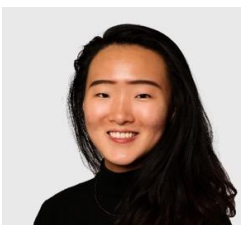
Yue 'Sophy' WANG

Yue 'Sophy' Wang is a Master of Public Affairs (MPA) student at Sciences Po, focusing on Energy, Environment and Sustainability. Currently she is working with The Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI) for her graduation project "Financing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Developing Countries". Sophy studied Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) at Peking University, and at University of Chicago for semester-abroad. Before MPA, Sophy worked as a management consultant for the public sector in China and the Middle East, and for a multilateral development bank on technology-enabled infrastructure.

Reducing Socio-Economic Opportunity Gaps through Socio-Emotional Learning (SEL) in Public French Primary Schools

Socio-emotional skills are the non-cognitive, soft skills needed to successfully navigate social relationships, regulate emotions, and succeed in an increasingly globalized and ever-adapting labor market. Over the past several decades, there has emerged a consensus among educators and researchers studying child health and development that developing these skills through socio-emotional learning (SEL) is crucial to long-term learning and life outcomes, especially in light of learning gaps exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Recent publications from the OECD emphasize the importance of developing socio-emotional skills, especially among disadvantaged students, as a crucial way of promoting improved education and life outcomes. Our project aims to address socio-economic opportunity gaps in schools and its effect on deteriorating mental health through the implementation of socio-emotional learning (SEL) in public French primary schools. Our solution targets students aged 6-9 in disadvantaged schools in the Paris metropolitan area by proposing a package of digital and physical resources to help educators teach socio-emotional language and vocabulary development in a restorative justice framework. Ultimately, our long-term objective is to normalize discussions of and promote mental health in schools, in service of equitable opportunities for all students.

TEAM:



Chelsea Tao

Chelsea Tao is currently pursuing a Dual Master's Degree in Public Policy at Sciences Po and in Global Affairs from the Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy at the University of Toronto. Prior to beginning her graduate studies, Chelsea worked in the Parliament of Ontario, Canada, where she assisted Provincial Members of Parliament from both the government and official opposition during the COVID-19 pandemic. She engaged in all stages of policy formulation for portfolios under the Ministry of Finance, as well as the provincial Shadow Minister for Early Childhood Education & Childcare. Her previous research experience includes finding pathways for migrant health access in Thailand, developing programs to reduce recidivism among Aboriginal Australian men in Canberra, and publishing a working paper analyzing the state of transparency in Canadian federal elections. Chelsea is interested in mobilizing rigorous data analysis to build responsible social, educational, and labour policies that promote improved economic and social well-being.



Evelyn Kramer

Evelyn Kramer is currently pursuing a Dual Degree Masters at the Sciences Po École d’Affaires Publiques, and the Columbia University School of International Affairs, with a focus on Social Policy and Social Innovation. Prior to starting this program, she taught English literature for seven years in France, China, and her home city of New York, in both public and charter schools, and gathered insights into the strengths and weaknesses of three vastly different school systems. She also holds a Master Of Science in Childhood General and Special Education. She is passionate about furthering the development of socioemotional curriculums in K-12 schools, and in the implementation of restorative justice practices in classrooms.

Joyce Yang

Joyce Yang is an educator and learner, currently completing a Master’s degree in Public Policy at Sciences Po in Paris. A former high school history teacher from California, Ms. Yang has extensive training in pedagogy and educational equity, and holds a Master’s degree in teaching. After several years in the classroom, Ms. Yang has pivoted to work in the public policy realm, focusing on social policies related to education. She believes education should serve as an equalizing force in an increasingly globalized world. Ms. Yang is passionate about socio-emotional learning in schools, bridging the educational opportunity gap, and equitable higher education financing.

PROJECT: Sustainable Participation: Improving Water Management in Western Bekaa, Lebanon

Climate change is rapidly transforming ecosystems throughout the world. Water supply is a source of major concern, particularly in regions affected by systemic issues like desertification, poor water management, and low amounts of continental water recycling. Lebanon’s Western Bekaa district is currently coping with economic-, environmental-, security-, and health challenges that are amplified by and connected through a common water nexus. A bottom-up public policy approach that combines evidence-based research tools with insights gathered from design thinking methods and robust economic theory is necessary. To manage water more efficiently and equitably, we propose reconceptualising it as a common pool resource. We propose establishing a water board: a commonly managed, mutualised governing authority that relies on the participation of local water users. This type of management has already been successfully implemented in many countries, and by emphasising local participation, we re-center water as a community resource and detach it from sectarian conflict. Our solution empowers local communities with the tools needed to institutionalise their knowledge and contribute to sustainable water management practices.

TEAM:

Alexander Elg

Hi, I'm Alexander, and I'm a first-year student in the graduate program in Public Policy, Management, and Public Affairs at the School of Public Affairs at Sciences Po Paris. I hold a bachelor's degree in Middle Eastern Studies from the same university, and I have studied European Law and Linguistics extensively. I've previously worked in tech consulting and in postal-, parcel-, and competition regulation at the European Commission. I'm passionate about human-centric public policy and hope to pursue a career in which I'm able to effect positive, democratic change taking into account the real needs and opinions of everyday people.

Edoardo Cozzi

Edoardo Cozzi is a first-year student attending a master's degree program in European Affairs offered by the SciencesPo's School of Public Affairs. He holds a bachelor's degree in Social and Political Sciences from the Catholic University of Milan. Passionate about the EU and public management, he envisages to pursue a career in European Affairs advocacy. He is the co-founder of PoliticsHub, an Italian youth association whose aim is to involve students and young professionals in the current political challenges through events, workshops and online contents.

Marie-Sophie Steinkraus

Marie-Sophie Steinkraus is a German Master of Public Policy student with a specialisation in Management and Public Affairs at Sciences Po Paris. She holds a bachelor's degree in International Relations from Jacobs University Bremen and has a background in public sector consulting. Previous experience includes placements at the Konrad-Adenauer Foundation, KPMG, and McKinsey & Company where she worked on blockchain and digitalisation projects in the public sector. Her interests lay in change management and evidence-based public policy approaches.

Mona Salem

I'm Mona from Lebanon currently enrolled at Sciences Po Paris' graduate program in Public Policy, Management & Public Affairs. During my previous work experience, I worked as a Project and Research Officer in a consulting firm in Beirut. I was responsible for developing and innovating the internal structures of a public administration by creating and implementing internal and external digital platforms, writing policy briefs to the leadership of the institution, establishing links with other public administrations and putting in place a communication strategy for exposure.

Nicolas Bouchard

Nicolas is a Canadian citizen currently enrolled in the dual master's degree in Public Policy and Global Affairs between Sciences Po and the University of Toronto. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce from McGill University ('21) majoring in international management with a minor in political sciences and French literature. Having worked for Service Canada, local businesses, and the City Council of Lviv (Ukraine), Nicolas wishes to take on global challenges at the intersection of the public and the private sectors. He wants to address how common goods issues and the inclusion of innovation in public affairs will be decisive in shaping our collective tomorrow.

School of Public Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science

PROJECT: A global ESG framework: moving from self-reporting to collective results

Strategic collaboration on Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) standards at the international level is essential to create a shared ESG ecosystem that delivers on common goals and avoids further embedding macro- and micro-inefficiencies across markets. This project seeks to develop a three-pronged policy approach that is collaborative, asset-based, and enforceable. First, the proposal creates frameworks that converge public, private, and third sector players to drive collaborative solutions and increase stakeholder commitment. Second, enhance and reform existing regulations in the European Union and other leading ESG players to expand them internationally. Thirdly, model the policy design on existing transatlantic frameworks that successfully enforce common standards on finance and taxation. We propose the G7 as an incubator for this policy design based on members' strong cultural bonds, outsized roles in global capital flows, and existing innovation in ESG regulation. Lastly, however, our project will be a blueprint for any non-G7 public and private actors committed to implementing and coordinating the common ESG framework.

TEAM:



David Bircher

David is a Master of Public Policy (MPP) candidate at the London School of Economics and Political Science. His career has centered around philanthropy and building sustainable, effective public-private partnerships. Four years ago, David started his own consulting organization, Eo Strategies, that partners with NGOs, corporations, and foundations in both Europe and the United States to drive positive social outcomes on both sides of the Atlantic. David lives in Paris and holds an MBA in International Management from ESCP Business School and a B.A. in Political Science from Gordon College.



Sunwoo Oh

Sunwoo is a Master of Public Policy (MPP) candidate at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Prior to her studies at LSE, Sunwoo lived in New York working to reform the United States' federal and state sentencing laws, conditions of confinement, other criminal justice policies, and law enforcement procedures. More recently, Sunwoo developed collaborative strategies and policy impact analyses to help secure federal funding to assist and incentivize U.S. states to end the use of youth prisons. Sunwoo holds a B.A. in Politics from New York University.



Lilith Fellowes-Granda

Lilith is a Master of Public Policy (MPP) candidate at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Previously, Lilith was Assistant Vice President of U.S. Government Relations and Regulatory Policy at Barclays where she was primarily responsible for monitoring international relations issues impacting the bank. More recently, she helped coordinate c-suite individuals to inform the firm's strategy for combatting climate change, during which she developed an interest in sustainable finance. Lilith holds a BA in Political Science from Rutgers University.

PROJECT: Sustainability: Addressing Overfishing in Chile with Real-Time Data Processing

Overfishing is a global problem that jeopardizes our natural marine resources, though fisheries are critical for environmental and socio-economic development. Despite the regulatory efforts to ensure sustainability in Chile, one of the top ten global fishery countries, two-thirds of fisheries have been overexploited or have collapsed. Chile underscores the need for a transition to a more sustainable approach to fishing. Our systemic proposal presents a sustainable fishing policy through a new quota allocation system based on a long-term sustainability model and behavioural economics program to adopt and improve sustainable production practices. A cost-effective implementation applying the Internet of Things and blockchain technology will collect real-time data for a new risk-based regulation model with production incentives to avoid resistance to change.

TEAM:



Angela Duffy

Angela is a 2023 candidate for a Master of Public Administration at the LSE and is pursuing a specialisation in International Development. She is from San Francisco, California, U.S. Angela most recently worked with Google on the Grow with Google initiative as Project Manager, scaling the Google Career Certificates to community colleges and technical high schools across the country. Previously with the Institute of International Education, Angela was Program Officer to the USAID Research Technical Assistance Center and U.S. Department of State Women's Enterprise for Sustainability programme. She managed monitoring and evaluation, communications, financial monitoring, and programme operations while

overseeing consultants and partner organizations based in Ethiopia, Indonesia, Mexico, Pakistan, Thailand, and Tunisia. She has fundraising and grant writing experience in the non-profit sector, including with The Nature Conservancy and Room to Read. Angela is dedicated to creating more equitable access to education and economic opportunities through international development programming and public policy.



Benedikt Margraf

Benedikt is currently pursuing a Master of Public Administration at LSE, specialising in Economic Policy. Originally from Berlin, Germany, he studied International Relations in the Netherlands and Hong Kong. Prior to joining the MPA, Benedikt worked in an international consulting firm on climate policy and decarbonisation strategies. Previous to this he was involved in different development cooperation projects at the International Trade Centre (UNCTAD/WTO). These projects included linking women-led handicraft SMEs to e-commerce platforms and the implementation of a post-conflict agricultural value chain project - both in Latin America. Throughout the MPA, Benedikt aims to specifically deepen his knowledge in quantitative economic policy analysis.



Daniela Quiroga

Daniela is currently a candidate for a Masters in Public Administration (MPA) at the LSE, with an intended specialization in Economic Policy. She is formally trained as an Industrial and Environmental Engineer. Before arriving in London, Daniela worked as a consultant, providing guidance on energy, environmental and climate change challenges. Her work has been focused on research for policymaking in Chile, working closely with the Ministry of Environment, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Energy. Her most recent research is aimed at analyzing the health and social consequences of climate change and the mitigation and adaptation policies needed to minimize these impacts.



Joaquín Collao Jul

Joaquín is a candidate for the Master in Public Administration at the LSE and a current international consultant in government transformation. His previous role was as Coordinator at the Government Innovation Lab from the Ministry of the Presidency in Chile, working to accelerate public services transformation in social security, economic development, public finances, health and digital transformation projects. He has led the Public Innovators Network in Chile, a government program to foster innovation in 17K+ public and private actors. He has designed the first open innovation competition in R+D+i in Chile, bringing private sector and academia collaboration to solve diverse public interest problems, most of them related to environmental topics. Joaquín has worked as an international consultant in public sector innovation and capability building for private and public organisations in Chile, Peru, Colombia and Paraguay.



Roberto Ayala-Pampliega

Roberto is a Spanish citizen currently pursuing Masters in Public Administration (MPA) at LSE, with an intended specialization in International Economics. Roberto is formally trained in business and management with a background in finance and sustainable investments, including experience working for investment banking firms in New York City where he spent 7+ years, focusing on Latin American and Caribbean capital markets and debt restructuring, ensuring an investment-friendly environment, and sustainable programs collaboration between public and private sectors. In addition, Roberto has an extensive experience in the ESG, Sustainable, and Green finance sectors, having advised multiple governments and corporations in the USA, Europa, and Latin America to execute sustainable finance transactions. Throughout the MPA and beyond, Roberto's goal is to build extensive knowledge to support the economic and financial development across Latin America and the southern European region, notably in Spain. Roberto is fluent in Spanish (native) and English.

PROJECT: Stubble Stop: Incentivizing North Indian Farmers to Avoid Crop Stubble Burning

The intensification of crop stubble burning in northern India in response to a central government policy, has led to a dual health and climate crises in and around India's National Capital Territory. As yet, government interventions have proven unsuccessful in modifying farmers' incentives and behaviours. In response, our multi-pronged solution, grounded in technological practises and market-based principles, will incentivise farmers to convert stubble into an environmentally friendly fuel source. This proposal has the added benefit of providing work to the underutilised workforce in India (which has only been exacerbated by Covid-19). The creation of a series of decentralised centres will help provide sound institutions, incentives and infrastructure whilst accelerating India's transition from coal to clean energy.

TEAM:



Jonathan Odumeru

Jonathan Odumeru is an MPP candidate at the London School of Economics from Toronto, Canada. Jonathan is an experienced litigation lawyer, having appeared before all levels of court in Canada, including the Supreme Court of Canada. In his most recent role as an in-house lawyer for a Canadian Bank, Jonathan managed a large variety of litigation matters, from human rights disputes to commercial class actions, as well as large internal investigations relating to fraud, privacy, data and cybersecurity. Prior to law, Jonathan worked in various roles as a laboratory assistant, and completed internships in development and human rights NGOs. Jonathan holds a BSc in Molecular Biology and Genetics, a Juris Doctor, an LL.M in International and Comparative Commercial Law, as well as a graduate diploma in International Development.



Nikita Singh

Nikita Singh is a MPP candidate at the London School of Economics from Australia. She is an experienced Commercial and Legal Practitioner advising on the strategic development and effective delivery of key government policies. Nikita began her career at the Australian Department of Defence as a lawyer and later joined Deloitte as a Strategy Consultant advising governments in both Australia and the United Kingdom. Throughout her career Nikita has continued to focus her work on unlocking government outcomes. She has in-depth experience in advising strategic decision-making, developing commercial strategies and negotiating legal arrangements for complex, high-value programs and policy initiatives. Nikita holds a LLB, BCom, and MLP, and is admitted to the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory.



Rachel Pilc

Rachel Pilc is a MPP candidate at the London School of Economics from Toronto, Canada. Before undertaking her studies at the LSE, Rachel practised law as a civil litigation lawyer at a full-service U.S. law firm for five years. Rachel is a skilled communicator and takes pride in building effective strategies to help clients navigate complex legal issues. Rachel has represented clients of all sizes in mediations, arbitrations, and before courts, tribunals, and judicial bodies of all levels, including before the Canadian International Trade Tribunal. Rachel is bilingual (English and French) and holds a BA in English, a Certificate in Public International Law, a Juris Doctor, and was Admitted to the Ontario Bar in 2016.



Sidhartha Tibrewal

Sidhartha Tibrewal is a MPP candidate at the London School of Economics. He is a trained economist from Delhi University and has experience spanning private, business and non-profit sectors. Prior to LSE, Sidhartha worked as a skilled researcher at a New Delhi based think-tank, designing policy courses for graduates and young professionals. Having worked initially in finance for three years, he pivoted to the social sector to create an impact. Over the past few years, he has worked extensively in the education space, first as a government school teacher and later as a public policy trainer. He strongly believes that social problems can be addressed with sound public policies, rooted in evidence.

PROJECT: Water Management in the Semiconductor Supply Chain

The onset of the pandemic in 2020 exacerbated the vulnerabilities of Semiconductor Supply Chains, leading to catastrophic impacts in numerous other sectors worldwide. The combination of a sharp increase in demand for semiconductors globally and growing water scarcity concerns due to climate change calls for expediency in solving one specific and crucial challenge faced by semiconductor manufacturing - the management of water use. We thus propose a 3-pronged approach based on (1) Certification of Investment; (2) Knowledge Sharing; (3) Monitoring and Evaluation. Our approach aims to tackle UN SDGs 6, 9, 11, 12, and 17 by building sustainability and resilience into the global supply chain while balancing the environmental impact semiconductor manufacturing has on local communities and groundwater reserves.

TEAM:



Harshita Sakhamuri

Over the course of my career I have had the privilege of working with the public and private sectors. Throughout, I have been focused on holistic policy making and catering to multiple stakeholders. While I have experience working on various themes ranging from fiscal policy to gender and child policy, I wasn't presented with the opportunity to dabble in tech policy. I look to the GPPN Challenge as a means of applying my skillset and at the same time expanding my horizons.



Radhika Trivedi

I'm a first year student in the Master of Public Administration programme at LSE, and I finished my Bachelor's degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from Durham University, UK. I have previously worked at research institutes specialising in renewable energy policy and economic policy, and am currently working at the International Growth Centre, London. I am especially interested in how technology can be harnessed to improve sustainability and governance, and am looking forward to the learning curve the GPPN Challenge presents.



Julian Alves

I am a first-year MPA student at the London School of Economics. I hold a bachelor's degree in Economics from Maastricht University and spent an exchange semester at HKUST in Hong Kong. Prior to returning to university for my master's programme I worked in economic consulting, specialising in competition policy. I am looking forward to applying my theoretical and empirical skills to the GPPN challenge and our research topic of semi-conductor supply chains. Besides tech policy I am also interested in competition and industrial policy, and development, wealth and income inequality.



Jason Greenberg

Jason is a first year MPA student at LSE. He graduated from Carleton College in 2015 with a bachelor's degree in East Asian History, and since then has worked at a variety of different companies. Most recently, Jason worked as a marketing consultant specialising in predicting the future of consumer behaviour, as well as attempting to quantitatively demonstrate how the world would change in the short term. Jason is specifically interested in UK development, especially domestic policy that focuses on areas of the country outside of the capital.

I have worked in a variety of different areas, including doing ESG work for Hermes EOS, marketing consultancy with Foresight Factory and different roles at financial services institutions. Having done work with TSMC and other semiconductor firms in Taiwan, learning more about how to implement sustainable semiconductor practices globally is near and dear to me.

PROJECT: Women Farmer's Access to Climate Finance in Developing Countries

Approximately, 95% of the farmers globally practice small scale farming techniques especially from sub-saharan Africa and south asian regions and majority of them are women. Farming in these countries is severely affected by climate related vulnerabilities. Only 3% of the total global climate finance has been invested in agriculture and that accessible to women is still negligible.

There are innumerable barriers for women farmers in accessing Climate Finance, one being lack of credit worthiness to access finance. An attempt to overcome this challenge is by developing an empirical tool for credit worth assessment of women farmers and building an agri-climate finance hub by adopting technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Geographic Information System etc that allows for an integration with climate smart technologies.

TEAM:



Adam Abraham

Adam is a MPP candidate at the LSE, also a chevening scholar. Adam's education background, research and work experience cuts across international trade, development aid, climate change and sustainable development, project planning and management. Adam's previous work involved grant making and project management with non-profits across the Eastern African Region. He also focused on enhancing civic engagement, building non-profit sector capacity, and leadership development.



Nimisha Jha

Nimisha Jha is currently pursuing MPP at London School Of Economics and Political Science and is a chevening scholar. She is a civil servant with the Government of India having approx. 13 years of experience. She has served both at the federal level and state levels in different capacities especially in areas of Finance both on the revenue and expenditure side as well as on sectors related to planning, housing, land management, education and health. Nimisha is a budding author and writes mainly on social issues related to governance. She is a passionate runner and an avid traveler.



Prashanth Chinnappanavar

Prashanth is a MPP candidate and a Chevening Scholar at London School Of Economics and Political Science. He is an engineer turned development policy practitioner. He was part of Prime Minister's Rural Development Fellowship and Chief Minister's Good Governance Fellowship programme, in which he worked in some of the remote and Left-Wing Extremism affected districts of Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand states in India. His focus areas have been rural livelihoods, sustainable development and developmental planning focusing majorly on vulnerable and marginalized populations. He also has experience of working with UNDP and Chhattisgarh State Planning Commission on labor migration issues post COVID lockdown in India. He is passionate about mentoring youth and loves traveling.



Sushma Modi

Sushma is a MPP candidate at London School Of Economics and Political Science. She has an academic background in economics and has 3 years of experience working for International organizations and local NGOs. She has carried out research in areas pertaining to political economic challenges in agriculture, preparedness for disaster risk and climate change and have implemented development projects that impart various trade and soft skills to women from marginalized communities, connecting them with viable livelihood opportunities to facilitate social and financial self-reliance. She was also part of the world bank's major policy advocacy research task force on sustainable food systems for Kenya and Rwanda. Her present research is focused on Social Mobility, Socio-Economic disadvantage and Employment Opportunities, especially the impact of new technologies on Employment opportunities in SMEs and Agro-Industry in Developing countries.

Fundação Getulio Vargas Escola de Administração de Empresas de São Paulo

PROJECT:

The 360º Management Model, which has been used by the Ministry of Economy in Brazil, was responsible for implementing an agenda of 61 emergency policies and important economic reforms to mitigate the impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Given the defined agenda and the need to achieve short-term results, the model is responsible for time optimization, greater data organization, transparency and real-time accountability of projects. Enabling citizen to have real time and 100% online information about every project and its impact in the economy. Therefore, the model is replicable for any country, that wishes to construct public policies in an integrated way between different spheres of government, with more transparency and governance - achieving sustainable development goals and making government more efficient and effective for those who need it most.

TEAM:



Fernando Freire Dutra

Fernando is currently pursuing a Master's in management and Public Policy at Fundação Getúlio Vargas. He holds a BA in International Relations (ESPM), Post-Graduations Degrees in Strategic Marketing (FGV), in Business Management (Fundação Dom Cabral) and a Post-Graduation Degree in Concessions and PPP from Fundação Escola de Sociologia e Política de São Paulo (FESPSP). He works as a Management Director at the Ministry of Economy of Brazil. He also worked as a Government and Public Sector Manager at Ernst & Young and as a Senior Consultant at KPMG - assisting State and Municipal Governments in the implementation of PPP projects in Brazil. He was Deputy Municipal Secretary at the city of Porto Alegre, Brazil where he was responsible for the Municipal Partnership Program (PROPAR-POA), which involved the structuring of Infrastructure Projects in the modalities of PPPs and Concessions.



José Henrique Nascimento

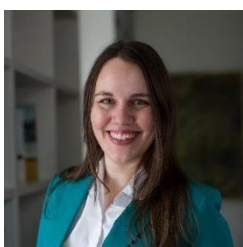
José is a master's student in Management and Public Policy at FGV, BA in Public Policy Management at the University of Brasília, specialist in Municipal Public Administration, with executive training in Project Management at Ohio University. He's working in several years for the public sector as a occupant of leadership positions, consultant, and also by the third sector supporting a series of governments in the three federative entities. He is currently Head of Causes at the Center of Public Leadership, coordinating the movement United for Brazil, responsible for influencing some of the Brazil's main laws and economic reforms through technical intelligence, communication, mobilization of entities and political articulation.



Marcelo Sasso

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Claire Willmer

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Evelyn Chong

Evelyn is second-year Master of Public Policy student at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy within the University of Toronto. She holds an Honours Bachelor of Arts degree from Dalhousie University in Sociology and Gender and Women's Studies. Evelyn is passionate about intersectional social policy and in supporting historically marginalized communities, including in areas of accessibility, mental health, anti-racism, and sexual diversity. She is currently serving as President of the Master of Public Policy Student Association at the Munk School and Co-Director of the Mental Health Policy Initiative, a student-led organization that she co-founded in 2021. Following her graduation in June, Evelyn plans on working abroad in the UK.



Mehreen Yousaf

Mehreen Yousaf is a second year MPP student at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy at the University of Toronto. She also holds a Master of Arts in Political Science Degree and graduated with a bachelors in medicine from the University of Health Sciences in Lahore, Pakistan. Mehreen worked in the Civil Service of Pakistan as a Deputy Commissioner in Pakistan's Internal Revenue Service for more than five years before starting her MPP degree. Most recently, she worked as a policy co-op student for the provincial government of Ontario, Canada in the Ministry of Finance's Tax Compliance and Benefits Division. She is interested in tax policy analysis, international development and global governance.



Patricia Guzman

Patricia Guzman is an Economist with a minor in Philosophy. She is currently pursuing a Master in Public Policy (MPP) at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy. Before joining the MPP, she worked for five years in different NGOs in Latin America designing, monitoring, and evaluating social projects aimed at overcoming the structural causes of poverty and inequality. During that time, Patricia had the opportunity to work with families living in slums, female victims of domestic violence, demobilized ex-combatants from the guerillas, informal workers and vulnerable migrants. Additionally, she has conducted impact evaluations with international experts from UCLA, UCSD, and Northwestern University.



Ruth Rosalle

Ruth Rosalle is a second-year Master of Public Policy candidate at the University of Toronto's Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy. Her academic interests include intergovernmental relations, quantitative analysis, urban policy, and an array of policy fields. At the University of Toronto, she presently serves as the Director of Communications and Outreach for the Policy Innovation Initiative and as a research assistant with the Urban Policy Lab on projects related to municipal involvement in policy areas of national significance. Before attending the Munk School, she completed an Honours Bachelor of Arts at the University of Toronto, with dual majors in political science, and criminology and sociolegal studies.

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