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We have never been better equipped to solve the climate change - but we must move into warp speed climate action now. We don't have a moment to lose.

António Guterres

Secretary-General of the
United Nations

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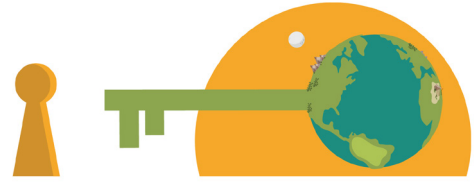
The world today is increasingly focused on mitigating the adverse impact of climate change. The annual immersive 'Anant Fellowship for Climate Action' programme in India, brings together future leaders from the world over, to create a collaborative community of trailblazers, as together we strive to find innovative sustainable solutions to protect and preserve our planet for future generations.

Ajay Piramal

President, Anant National University
Chairman, Piramal Group



Anant Fellowship for Climate Action



The Anant Fellowship for Climate Action is a highly selective unique 8-month immersive programme that is based on a mentor-mentee framework. The long-term mission of the Fellowship is to create a community of climate change solutionaries who work together and cross-pollinate each other's work with ideas and expertise across sectors, regions, and generations.

Duration of the Fellowship: 8 months

Anant Fellowship for Climate Action cohort 2024:

15 April 2024 - 05 December 2024



For the academic year 2022-23, the Anant School for Climate Action received 4258 applications from 78 countries.

Who can **apply?**

2 categories of Fellows are eligible to apply to the Anant Fellowship for Climate Action:



Individuals who are already implementing solutions to mitigate climate change.

Individuals desirous of leveraging their existing skills in other fields to climate action.



Fellows can be **entrepreneurs, Chief Sustainability Officers, corporate sustainability team members, scientists, academicians, climate activists, communication experts, development practitioners, policy makers, or professionals from any field desirous of using their skills for climate action.**

How does a Fellow benefit from the Fellowship?



Learn advanced-level technical skills from leading international academicians and practitioners across carbon accounting, energy efficiency, industry best practices, and climate policy.



Make an exponential change within yourself by developing yourself as a changemaker.



Embark upon an exciting journey with the most influential climate leaders as your mentors.



Collaborate with like-minded individuals from across the world.



Benefit from coaching, negotiation, and customised attention to enhance your leadership skills.



Shape India's discourse on climate change and relay it to the world.

What do Fellows do **after** **completion of the Fellowship?**

The Fellows are expected to take on leadership positions in the USD 3 trillion climate change industry. They are also invited to remain members of the Anant Fellowship for Climate Action community.

\$3 trillion
climate change industry



Curriculum at the Fellowship

The Fellowship commences on 15 April 2024. The curriculum is divided into 5 terms, each term focusing on a specific area key to developing solutions for climate change and providing the Fellows with the exposure, skills, mentorship, and opportunity to scale up the solutions that have been established as most critical for countering climate change. The course structure is based on self-paced learning, allowing Fellows the flexibility to learn at their own pace and schedule.

The 8-month Fellowship programme is divided into 5 terms.

8 month
fellowship

5 terms

3 pillars

Term 1

Setting the
context

Term 2

Carbon

Term 3

Industry

Term 4

Policy

Term 5

Mentorship

Each term focuses on 3 pillars:



Technical skills

Interactive sessions by leading international and Indian academics and practitioners; live virtual immersions into communities a.k.a Learning Journeys.



Change management

Reshaping how we learn, work, and live together to catalyse change for the good of society.



Personal boosters

Individual need-based sessions that include individual coaching and mentoring to help Fellows advance on their unique life projects.

Programme Highlights



Self-paced learning

The curriculum is based on self-paced learning, allowing Fellows the flexibility to learn at their own pace and schedule. Fellows can complete topics and assignments in their own time. Suitable for different learning styles, this is especially useful for participants who have other tasks to complete along with the Fellowship.



Mentorship

Mentorship is the backbone of this Fellowship. The board of mentors at the Anant Fellowship for Climate Action is engaged in the selection of Fellows, guiding, and teaching them. Mentors and Fellows enter a mentorship relationship that is nurtured by the Fellowship team. During the Fellowship, 1 of the 5 terms is dedicated to mentorship.



Happy Hours

The Fellows, apart from being climate change leaders and solutionaries, are immensely talented in many other ways. While some are proficient writers, others are stellar artists and filmmakers. Happy Hours is an informal platform for the cohort, by the cohort, where they learn new skills from one another and in the process, get to know each other even better.



Guidelines

The Fellowship has a robust governance system with the following guidelines: Academic guidelines; Disciplinary guidelines; Guidelines for use of technology; Grievance redressal mechanism.

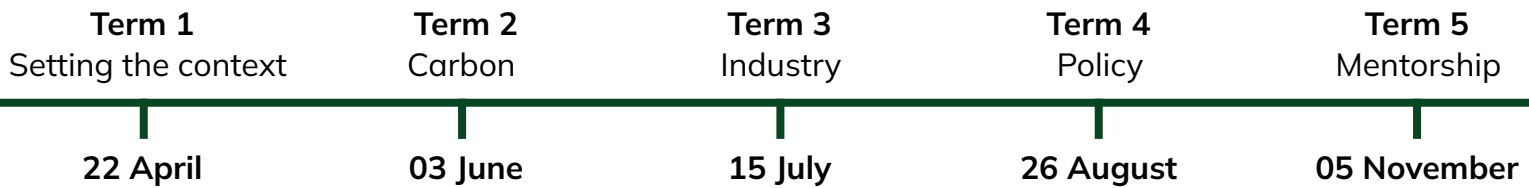


AFCA Cafe

Every term, 3 mentors will have conversations with the cohort about their life, what drives them, and why they do what they do! Mentors will get to know the Fellows by asking questions.

Fellowship Flow

15 April to 05 December 2024



Fellows are provided with a Learning Pack of 4 Journeys such that each Journey is released at the start of Term 1, Term 2, Term 3, and Term 4. The Learning Pack contains self-paced learning materials, each of which focuses on — Setting the context; Carbon; Industry; Policy.

The 10 day on-campus programme in September includes 40 hours of in-person contact hours split between 25 hours of lectures and 15 hours of practical learning through visits in Ahmedabad and Lab work at Anant University.

The month of November is Term 5 at the Fellowship. During this term, AFCA mentors support Fellows on implementing their Life Projects. Mentorship is not match-made by the Fellowship team and is driven by Fellows and mentors.

Pre-Fellowship Work

Each Anant Fellow for Climate Action is guided by the Fellowship team to write about the Fellow's Life Project. **A Fellow's Life Project is the direction that the Fellow plans to take in the 5 years following the completion of the Fellowship.** The Life Project is shared with mentors and serves as an evolving document for each Fellow to work towards with the mentors and the Fellowship team. At every Term end, Fellows are assessed on progress made on their Life Project.

Terms

The Anant Fellowship for Climate Action runs through **5 distinct Terms**. Each Term focuses on 1 specific aspect of climate action which is the **'Term Focus.'** **The duration of each Term is 6 weeks.**



Term 1 Focus: Setting the context

Anant Fellows for Climate Action are outstanding individuals with unique experiences and perspectives on varying aspects of climate action. Term 1 sets the context for the remaining 4 Terms to follow, by levelling the ground for all Fellows with introductory material to key concepts of carbon accounting, industry practices for emissions reduction, and climate-related regulations. This is boosted by 3 Mentor Chats with global pioneers in the field of sustainability and climate action.



Term 2 Focus: Carbon

The Fellowship believes that the foundation of climate action lies in tangible reductions of emissions. Term 2 therefore focuses on methodologies for GHG emissions, carbon accounting, carbon credits market, and climate finance. The 3 Mentor Chats during this term also focus on the latest updates and views on carbon markets.



Term 3 Focus: Industry

Industries are an important stakeholder for effective climate action. The learnings about carbon accounting in the previous Term are applied in Term 3, towards reducing carbon emissions. Additionally, energy efficiency is also delved into. The Mentor Chats during Term 3 will bring the top practitioners from 3 industries with hard-to-abate emissions - construction, retail, oil and gas. The learnings will be applicable for all industries.



Term 4 Focus: Policy

There are mounting climate and sustainability related regulations globally which make climate action an imperative. Further, governance, regulations, and policies related to emissions reductions and reporting vary across regions with specific target setting methods evolving for different industries. Term 4 focuses on policies and regulations driving climate action. 3 Mentor Chats with climate policy makers and experts from 3 different regions offer Fellows the opportunity to learn and discuss regulations and have a view towards those in the pipeline.

10-Day Community Immersion

Anant Fellows for Climate Action come together with faculty members, mentors, and alumni for a 10-day Community Immersion. The 10 day on-campus programme includes 40 hours of in-person contact hours split between **25 hours of lectures and 15 hours of practical learning through field trips and Laboratory work** at Anant National University.



Term 5 Focus: Mentorship

Mentor Chats through the previous 4 Terms of the Fellowship provide mentors and Fellows with opportunities to know each other. Further, the Community Immersion brings together Fellows, faculty members, mentors, and alumni on campus, culminating in Term 5 that focuses on mentorship where mentors support Fellows in implementing their Life Projects. Life Projects are plans that Fellows craft with the Fellowship team, for their life after the Fellowship.

Fees at the Anant Fellowship for Climate Action

The annual fees for the program is INR 110,000 payable to Anant National University. The fee can be paid in 1, 2, or 3 installments. Any travel and boarding expenses for the on-campus program will be borne by the Fellow.

Meet our Mentors

To help with the Fellows' journey at the Fellowship and to set them up for life after the Fellowship, the Fellowship is based on a mentor-mentee framework. We have onboarded 12 mentors who are each a pioneer in successfully making a substantial dent in climate change. Fellows will have multiple opportunities to engage with these mentors throughout the programme either in the classroom or during the one-on-one 'Mentor Chats.'



Amer Vohora

Amer is the Partner / Chief Client Officer of VALUEworks AG. He provides holistic values-based advice on client wealth and strategic investment consulting to Valueworks' key clients on their banking and private equity investments. Valueworks AG was founded in Zurich, Switzerland, is a fully independent multi-family office serving global families. They have developed a unique holistic, values-based approach to investments.

Prior to joining Valueworks, Amer spent over five years at Rothschild Bank serving international clients with a focus on entrepreneurs and global families. He originally moved to Zurich in 2010 to join a multi-family office where he was responsible for all merchant banking. Amer started his career in London, where for almost a decade he was advising entrepreneurs and family businesses on private equity and M&A at First Capital and direct investments at First Ventures.

Amer studied Manufacturing and Management at Cambridge University as a post-graduate and earned a Bachelor of Engineering and Bachelor of Commerce with Japanese from Birmingham University, which included a year on scholarship to Japan. He holds a Diploma in Accounting and Finance (ACCA) and an Investment Management Certificate (IMC) from the CFA Institute.

He grew up in Kenya and is a keen cyclist and open water swimmer. On the weekends, Amer can be found stand-up paddling or cooking.



Andy Parker

Andy has been the main architect of the SRM Governance Initiative since its launch in 2010, responsible for the focus on the Global South, the programme of engagement workshops, and the creation of the DECIMALS Fund. His background is in climate policy and he began working on geoengineering in 2008 when he led the production of the Royal Society's Geoengineering the climate report. He then moved into academia to research SRM governance at the Harvard Kennedy School and the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, Potsdam. Andy was a member of the UN Convention on Biological Diversity's expert working group on geoengineering and is currently an Honorary Senior Research Fellow at the University of Bristol, UK.



**Anoop
Ratnaker Rao**

Anoop is the founder of ReLife, an organisation that brings dignity and prosperity to small-farmer communities in India. In his previous role as CEO, Naandi Water, he built a village based business model that delivered safe drinking water for a small fee, serving over 500 villages and 600,000 people. As his interactions with village communities grew, he became aware of the complexities that have led to the tragic suicides of over 300,000 Indian farmers in the last 15 years. Through ReLife, he is

addressing the challenges faced by the small farmers by initially focusing on water and soil conservation and envisions small-farmer communities eventually transitioning to value-added agri products instead of being beholden to a low- value, high-risk commodities trap. In the past, Anoop has had successful leadership stints in leading global technology, consulting and hospitality companies. He is a Draper Hills Fellow at Stanford University, was named a WEF - Young Global Leader and for his work, he has been felicitated as Water Warrior by the Prime Minister of India. Anoop has been a mentor, trustee and board member in institutions associated with the arts, education and livelihoods. He is an Advisory Group Member, Young Global Leaders and an Academy Member, Global Teacher Prize.



Arunabha Ghosh

Arunabha is a public policy professional, adviser, author, columnist, and institution builder. As the founder-CEO of the Council on Energy, Environment and Water, since 2010, he has led CEEW to the top ranks as one of South Asia's leading policy research institutions (six years in a row); and among the world's 20 best climate think-tanks in 2016. He has been actively involved in the design of the International Solar Alliance since

inception. He conceptualised and is a founding board member of the Clean Energy Access Network (CLEAN). With experience in 45 countries, he previously worked at Princeton, Oxford, UNDP (New York), and WTO (Geneva). In 2018, the UN Secretary-General nominated him to the UN's Committee for Development Policy. In 2018, the Government of India appointed him as a member of the Environment Pollution (Prevention & Control) Authority for the National Capital Region. His 2019 TED Talk on air quality (Mission 80-80-80) crossed 100,000 views within three weeks of release.

He is the co-author/editor of four books: The Palgrave Handbook of the International Political Economy of Energy (2016); Energizing India: Towards a Resilient and Equitable Energy System (SAGE, 2016); Human Development and Global Institutions (Routledge, 2016); and Climate Change: A Risk Assessment (FCO, 2015). Arunabha's essay "Rethink India's energy strategy" in Nature was selected as one of 2015's ten most influential essays.

Arunabha advises governments, industries, civil society and international organisations around the world. This has included India's Prime Minister's Office, several ministries and state governments. He was invited by France, as a Personnalité d'Avenir, to advise on the COP21 climate negotiations; and also advised extensively on HFC negotiations. He served on the Executive Committee of the India-U.S. PACEsetter Fund. He has been a member of Track II dialogues with ten countries/regions; and formulated the Maharashtra-Guangdong Partnership on Sustainability. His monthly columns in the Business Standard (Inflexion Points) and the Hindustan Times (Over The Horizon) are widely read. He has hosted a documentary on water in Africa, featured in a National Geographic documentary on energy, and delivered a TED Talk on air quality. He is a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader, member of WEF's Global Future Council on Energy, and an Asia Society Asia 21 Young Leader. He holds a D.Phil. from Oxford and topped Economics from St. Stephen's College, Delhi.



**Bharath
Visweswariah**

Bharath is currently working on two startup ideas. The first is an impact fund focused on skilling/livelihoods space and the second is an operating company looking to provide products and solutions related to skills and livelihoods. He is former Director of Investments at Omidyar Network India. He was responsible for leading the organisation's strategy development and its investments in Governance and Citizen Engagement. His work in this space spanned a broad set of fields including urban governance, access to justice, the independent media, and open data. Bharath partnered with over a dozen organisations across these fields, supporting them in their journey to expand their impact in their operations.



Chetan Maini

As an entrepreneur and technologist for 20+ years, Chetan's lifelong vision has been to create products and solutions to deepen the adoption of clean and sustainable mobility. Having invented the Reva in 1999, an electric vehicle much ahead of its time, he is globally acknowledged as a pioneer in the electric vehicle space. Chetan has spent over two decades working with electric, hybrid and solar vehicles in the USA and India and holds over 30

global patents. Taking forward his relentless passion for transformative mobility run on renewable energy, Chetan and Uday Khemka of SUN New Energy Systems, a clean energy market leader, set up SUN Mobility in April 2017.

An authority and visionary on EVs, he has served on a number of Government boards set up to frame EV policies. He has also been a member of multiple boards such as India's National Board on Electric Mobility (NBEM) formed by the Government of India's Ministry of Heavy Industries & Enterprises. Chetan has received several accolades including the BBC Top Gear "Man of the Year" award; the Innovation award in Energy and Environment by The Economist in London; ET Auto GABS "Innovator of the Year" Award and the Frost & Sullivan India Start-ups - "**Visionary Innovation Leadership Award**".



Dhaval Monani

Dhaval is the founder and Managing Director of First Home Realty Solutions Private Limited and M Cube ProCon Private Limited. He is a Visiting Fellow at the IDFC Institute, a Visiting Faculty at the Schools of Architecture, Planning and Technology at CEPT University and the Director of Affordable Housing at Anant National University. He helped set up the affordable housing and urbanisation initiative under the Centre for Emerging Market Solutions at the

Indian School of Business, Hyderabad. He has been one of the pioneers of the affordable housing space in India especially in the sub five lac rupee or sub seven thousand USD space. Dhaval has a background in management and multidisciplinary design. He founded ADD. Ventures, a multidisciplinary design firm in 2001, Integrated Sourcing, a company focused on aggregated sourcing and supply chain management for the automotive industry in Europe, the company was founded during his MBA in Spain and was funded by FINAVES – a leading Spanish startup fund. In 2006 Dhaval started working with International Housing Solutions (IHS), a private equity fund focused on affordable housing in the US, Europe and Africa. He came to India to set up IHS India operations and worked with them in South Africa. He has worked with a number of Governments in Africa and the South Pacific on structuring solutions for affordable housing and Public Private Partnerships. Dhaval was a speaker as part of TED U during TED INDIA.

Dhaval has an MBA from IESE Business School in Barcelona, was a scholarship student at the Domus Academy in Milan and the University of Wales at Cardiff where he earned a double Masters in Design and a Post Graduate Diploma in Design from the Queensland University of Technology in Brisbane. His areas of interest are urbanisation, affordable housing, financial instruments related to the real estate and urban sectors and human-centric design.

**Indra Guha**

Indra is Partner, BDO in India. He has more than 22 years of experience in the domain of sustainability, EHS and climate change.

He has worked extensively in advisory and implementation of sustainability and climate change strategy, building roadmaps with targets aligned to business goals, indexing sustainability performance and impact assessment, sustainable sourcing, sustainability reporting, and assurance, carbon footprint mapping/GHG accounting, monitoring and verification, due-diligence, carbon transaction, risk mapping, low carbon transformation. He is an expert in EHS studies involving compliance management, due diligence, risk assessments, policy framing, and review of governance structure.

Indra has worked across diverse industry sectors, such as metal and mining, oil & gas, chemical, pharma, power utility, automotive, fertiliser, etc. He has also worked extensively with the government, funding agencies like ClimateWorks/Shakti Foundation, DFID, GIZ and with NGOs like WWF on climate policy related assignments.

Before TTC, Indra spent a major part of his professional career with Ernst & Young LLP (EY) for 14 years where he led the north team as Executive Director prior to his stint with Jubilant as Chief Sustainability Officer.

Indra is a graduate in Civil Engineering from BE College, with a masters from IIT Kharagpur and has completed Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management from IIM Kolkata.

**Lise Bruynooghe**

Lise is a globally acclaimed Executive Coach, who has held Chief of Staff positions in the President's and CFO/COO's offices of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and led the creation of EBRD's first ever Organisational Design function. She has been working on change management, organisational design and development since 2013. Currently, she is working as a freelance Executive Coach at

ProFound Consulting, an organisation that creates individualised, bespoke coaching packages depending on your unique needs. Lise and her team focuses on three elements of change management - leading self, leading others and leading change. Lise is a French national, was raised in Germany and subsequently lived in Russia and the UK. Currently, she lives in Switzerland with her husband and their three children.



Lee Howell

Lee Howell is an experienced executive, educator, and editor with a multi-faceted and global professional background. He is the founding Executive Director of the Villars Institute, a Swiss nonprofit foundation dedicated to accelerating the transition to a net zero and nature positive economy by promoting systems leadership and intergenerational collaboration.

He is also a Titular Professor at the University of Geneva's School of Economics and Management (GSEM), where he created their courses on the Fourth Industrial Revolution and Disruptive Technologies for undergraduate, masters, and executive MBA students. Lee serves on the Board of Governors of the International Baccalaureate (IB), an international foundation providing educational programs, including the IB Diploma, to more than 1.95 million students in over 5,600 schools in 159 countries. He also serves on the advisory board of the Global Learning Council, which focuses on the effective use of technology for systems-level solutions to improve learning outcomes for people of all ages and backgrounds

Lee was previously the Managing Director at the World Economic Forum (WEF) responsible for the editorial and operational leadership of the Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland from 2009 until 2021. As head of global programming, he was also responsible for the design and development of the Annual Meeting of New Champions in China, the Sustainable Development Impact Summit in the United States, and the Annual Meeting of the Global Future Councils in the United Arab Emirates. Lee was also the Senior Director for Asia (2004-2009) and Editor-in-Chief of the WEF's Global Risk Report (2012-2013).

Prior to joining the WEF, Lee worked on global issues at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Japan Society of New York, and Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS).

Lee is on the Board of Trustees of the EAT Foundation, a science-based global platform for food system transformation that supported the seminal research published by the EAT-Lancet Commission which introduced the concept of a Planetary Health Diet. He is also on the advisory board of the Frontiers Planet Prize, which celebrates breakthroughs in sustainability science by rewarding solutions (3 annual prizes of 1 million CHF) that show measurable potential to help humanity remain within the boundaries of the Earth's ecosystem.

Lee continues to lecture at the University of St. Gallen where he completed his PhD and co-created a seminar on Disruption and Innovation in International Business for their top ranked CEMS programme. His articles and interviews have appeared in China's People's Daily, Japan's Asahi Shimbun, India's Economic Times, The New York Times as well as Foreign Affairs, New Scientist and TIME magazines. He also contributes articles to the Global Agenda (WEF).

**Varad Pande**

Varad Pande is a Partner and Director at BCG, where his areas of focus include climate finance, adaptation and resilience, and digital public goods for climate. Formerly, he was Partner, Impact, Sustainability, and New Initiatives at Omidyar Network.

He is a sustainability leader who has, over the last 20 years, worked across climate policy as a Ministerial Advisor (in the Ministries of Environment & Forests and Rural Development), climate investing, and grant-making at a global impact investor and as a climate strategy consultant to companies, foundations, and countries.

Varad has an MPA/ID from Harvard, a Masters from University of Cambridge, and a BA from St Stephens College, Delhi.

**Vikram Chatterji**

Vikram is the co-founder of Galileo — an early stage technology company building the next generation of data tools for Machine Learning teams.

Prior to Galileo, Vikram was an early member of Google AI, leading a team to build ML products to reduce financial crime across the world's largest financial services companies. He also led the building of Google Pay for India (now with 100M+ users, processing ~3% of India's annual GDP), and was an early member of the Android team. He is also an advisor to Carnegie Mellon University's Entrepreneurship Association.

Advisors to the Fellowship



Adam Werbach

Adam, is currently the Global Lead for Sustainable Shopping at Amazon.com. He is also an environmental activist, author, and entrepreneur. In 1996, Werbach became the youngest person ever elected as national president of the Sierra Club, at the age of 23. He is the author of the books *Act Now, Apologize Later* (Harper Perennial, 1997) and *Strategy for Sustainability: A Business Manifesto* (Harvard Business Press, 2010).

Werbach is a frequent contributor to *The Atlantic*, serving as the magazine's online "sustainability expert."



**Laurence
Tubiana**

Laurence is CEO of the European Climate Foundation (ECF). In addition to her role at ECF, she is the Chair of the Board of Governors at the French Development Agency (AFD), and a Professor at Sciences Po, Paris. Before joining ECF, Laurence was France's Climate Change Ambassador and Special Representative for COP21, and as such a key architect of the landmark Paris Agreement. Following COP21, she was appointed High Level Champion for climate action.

Laurence brings decades of expertise. From 1997—2002, she served as Senior Adviser on the Environment to the French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin. From 2009—2010, she created and led the newly established Directorate for Global Public Goods at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She founded in 2002 and directed until 2014 the Institute of Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI). She has held academic positions including Sciences Po and as Professor of International Affairs at Columbia University. She has been a member of numerous boards and scientific committees, including the Chinese Committee on the Environment and International Development (CCICED).

Cohort of 2023

Davis Rupiny Oneguwan

Uganda

Field Officer for nature-based solutions at ClimeTrek Ltd. Areas of expertise include livelihood activities, environmental management, and forestry studies. Skilled and experienced in humanitarian approaches to climate change, advocacy, and awareness raising for environmental and climate change policies. Certificate in Climate Action in Biodiverse Landscapes from Wageningen University; Bachelor's degree in Conservation Forestry and Production Technology, Makerere University, Uganda.

Farhad Bolouri

Cyprus

Country Director and Chief Sustainability Advocate for Turkey at AlphaZULU Advocates; Ambassador for the International Ocean-Climate School and Climate Interactive En-ROADS. Achieved first place in ideation event hosted by the Iran Environmental Protection Organization and UNEP in 2021 for innovative projects addressing national responsibility in combating climate change through solutions based on indigenous nature and knowledge. Pursuing PhD in Environmental Engineering from the Near East University in Cyprus.

Mohammad Rustam

India

Officer at the Transform Rural India foundation. Previously worked at World Vision India as an MIS Coordinator (WASH- UNICEF Project) and at Letsendorse as Programme Officer (Mission Swavlamban). Experience in data analysis, documentation, solar system design, data dashboarding, and renewable energy; research projects on food security, nutrition, health services. MBA degree in Rural Management from the Xavier Institute of Social Service, Ranchi; MTech in Energy Engineering from the Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Naveed Najam

India

Environmental Specialist at Envosaviour Technologies Pvt. Ltd. MTech in Civil Engineering with specialisation in Environmental Engineering; focused on assessing the carbon sequestration potential in the wetlands of Punjab. Research papers on the impact of sewage water on soil and the relationship between forest biomass carbon with biophysical parameters in the north Kashmir region.

E. Sahr F. Felle

Mauritius

Senior Desk Officer/Coordinator for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Liberia. Supports the activities of the Peel Climate Change Strategy and the Government of Liberia Climate Change Action Plan. Awarded the Mauritius Africa Scholarship Scheme 2021 to pursue a Master's degree in Climate Change, Health, and Disaster Management at the University of Technology, Mauritius.

Hasifullah Ibrahim

Malaysia

Research Executive at Ipsos, a market research company. MPhil in Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology from the University of Malaya; research focus on the surface meteorology of the Antarctic Peninsula. Honoured with the Emeritus Professor Tan Sri Dr. Rashdan Baba Gold Medal Award; Faculty's Outstanding Leadership Graduate Award, Universiti Putra Malaysia in 2017. Bachelor's degree in Environmental Management.

Mulisa Faji Dida

Ethiopia

Associate Researcher at the Holetta Agricultural Research Center, part of the Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research. Experience in fodder and pasture research; authored and co-authored 31 scientific papers. Worked for the G.C Oromia Pastoralists Area Commission as livestock genetic improvement, production, and development expert. MSc in Animal Production from Haramaya University School of Animal and Range Science, Ethiopia.

Omonigho Benedict Otanocha

Nigeria

Associate Professor at the Federal University of Petroleum Resources Effurun (FUPRE), Nigeria. Passionate about research innovation in collaboration with industry, youth empowerment through education and competency training, and sustainable enterprise development. Skills and interests in sustainable energy systems and solutions, advanced manufacturing technology, sustainable production systems, CAD/CAM, re-manufacture, mechanical design/modeling, AI, product, and enterprise development.



Perseverance Javangwe

Zimbabwe

Editor and data journalist at Community Voices Zimbabwe. Founder of Climate Justice Zimbabwe (CJZ), an online platform focused on establishing climate justice in Zimbabwe, particularly for individuals vulnerable to the impacts of climate change in the Midlands Province. Climate Reality Leader since 2020; received training through the Climate Reality Leadership Corps.

Rajesh Poudel

Nepal

Institutional Funding Manager, CBM Global Disability Inclusion; co-founder of Pragmatic Research and Innovations Pvt. Ltd. Previously worked as Programme Development and Communications Manager at Good Neighbors. Interested in building skills and working in the field of climate. Master's in Social Work, St. Xavier's College, Maitighar.

Rika Xaxa

India

Social science expert and policy professional; 11 years experience in designing and implementing public policy and strategic social development projects. Worked as the State Programme Manager of the National Rural Livelihoods Mission. Awarded the Chevening scholarship, sponsored by the Foreign, Commonwealth, and Development Office of the United Kingdom in 2021-2022. Master's degree in Public Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science; Master's in Development Practice, Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai.

Saravana Kumaran

India

Founder of The Bean Loop, a skincare product manufacturing company. Areas of interest: circular economy, sustainability, and biorefinery. Previously Content Curator for Oren; authored blogs on 'BRSR - The New Age Sustainability Reporting for India' and 'Net-Zero Emissions - A Possible Mission?'; White Paper on 'Industry Deep Dive - Fast Moving Consumer Goods'. Written blogs on sustainability and climate change for the One Planet network. MBA (Tech) in Operations and Supply Chain Management, SVKM's NMIMS University, Mumbai.

Peter Majur Ador

South Sudan

Market Systems Technical Lead and Project Manager, Resilience through Agriculture in South Sudan project, International Fertilizer Development Center. Held positions with the Norwegian People's Aid, South Sudan; Principal of Yei Agricultural Training Center; Senior Agribusiness Project Officer, South Sudan Rural Development Programme; Team Leader for Emergency Crisis Response. MSc in Environmental Leadership and Management with specialization in the Climate Change pathway, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom.

Reuben Rambo

Liberia

Founder and President of Go Green Africa; raises awareness about climate change and its challenges. Conducts awareness camps for children at schools and encourages people to practice waste management. Works at the grassroots level to raise awareness about the environment, climate change, and sustainability. BSc in Environmental Sciences, Cuttington University, Liberia.

Sanlap Biswas

Bangladesh

Environment Officer for the Sustainable Enterprise Initiative, a World Bank-funded project focused on Environmentally Friendly Beef Fattening, Bangladesh. Postgraduate thesis in Sustainable Marketing to develop a sustainable business model for the product industry in Bangladesh. Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Environmental Management, North South University in Bangladesh.

Shashi Kant Verma

India

Strategic Advisor at FloCard LLC, Dubai; Strategic Impact and ESG consultant working at the intersection of society, technology, and climate change. Held positions as the Director of the Policy and Development Advisory Group in New Delhi; Senior Consultant (Sustainability) at the World Bank in Jharkhand. MA in Poverty and Development from the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex-Brighton, United Kingdom; MSc in Development Practice, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai.

Sukamal Deb

India

Regional Head for the Foundation for MSME Clusters; CEO of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Government of India. Areas of work are entrepreneurship, rural reconstruction, youth motivation, and poverty alleviation. Honoured with the "Distinguished Social Worker" award from Sadhana Sahitya Samaj, Guwahati. Published papers in reputed journals. PhD in Rural Development with a specialization in Rural Entrepreneurship/Microenterprises; Master's Rural Development. Courses on Social Sector Leadership from Haas School of Business, University of California; Designing for Environmental Sustainability and Social Impact from Acumen.

Verene Nyiramvuyekure

Rwanda

Tree Breeding Technician, Center for International Forestry Research -World Agroforestry in Kigali, Rwanda; Monitoring and Evaluation Officer at the African Research and Community Health Initiative; UN Volunteer and member of the International Society of Tropical Foresters. Encourages and trains young researchers to carry out health- and environment-based research in their communities. MSc in Natural Resource Management from Egerton University, Kenya; BSc (Hons) in Agroforestry from the University of Rwanda.

Toyin Olowogbon

Nigeria

Co-Founder, Blessmath Global Enterprises; Agricultural Economist at the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Empowerment, Kwara State, Nigeria. Passionate about using development studies as a tool for evidence-based policymaking and advocacy in the agricultural sector. Interested in climate change research, including climate adaptation; resilience; agricultural health. Engages experimental economics in designing and analysing impact evaluations with a bias for climate change; rural development; agricultural health; agri-business; social protection interventions using randomised control trials. PhD in Agricultural Economics; MSc in Agricultural Economics; BSc in Agriculture (Hons) from the University of Ilorin, Nigeria.

Veronica Portugal

Mexico

CEO and Founder of Paideia Civica, an NGO with a mission to build capacities in civil society and develop innovative programs to facilitate engagement and changes in policy. Recipient of the Social Entrepreneur Initiative of Transparency International in 2015; United Nations Champion for Women Empowerment in 2016. Represented her organization as a delegate at the Organization of American States Summit in Lima; speaker at the G20 summits in Argentina and Saudi Arabia. Interested in climate change issues and to leverage her network to promote climate action initiatives.

Cohort of 2021 - 22

In 2021-22, the Anant Fellowship for Climate Action received 2703 applications from 50 countries for 20 seats. The cohort comprises 24 Fellows from 13 countries of which 37.5% are women. Age is no bar at the Fellowship. The youngest member in the cohort was 16 years old at the time of enrollment and the oldest was 63 years old. These passionate individuals are an eclectic mix of individuals with academic and practical experience in areas such as microbiology research, biodiversity conservation, environmental activism, corporate sustainability, agriculture and marine ecosystems, to name a few.

Anusha Sheth

The Netherlands

Master's degree in Sustainable Energy Technology at Technische Universiteit Delft. Believes in sustainability; done multiple projects in sustainable energy. Worked as a Research and Teaching Fellow with Univ.AI, an Edtech startup focusing on teaching cutting-edge machine learning; Software Engineer at Bosch Engineering and Business Solutions. Interned at Power Research and Development Consultants Pvt. Ltd.; the Laboratory of Electro-Optic Systems at the Indian Space Research Organization. Presented a TEDx Talk on "Neutralizing the impact of Artificial Intelligence on climate change" in October 2020.

Arpita Bose

USA

Associate Professor at Washington University in St. Louis. Runs a lab called Bose Lab to study microbial metabolisms and their influence on biogeochemical cycling using an interdisciplinary approach. 31 peer-reviewed publications; was nominated for the SN10 Scientist to Watch by Science News in April 2020 and won the Changing the Face of STEM Mentorship Award from L'Oréal USA and AAAS in 2019. PhD; Master's in Microbiology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Master's in Biotechnology from the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi; and a Bachelor's in Microbiology from the University of Delhi.

Ashutosh Singh

India

Integrated Bachelor's and Master's of Science degree in Exploration Geophysics from IIT Kharagpur; postgraduate certificate in Artificial Intelligence from Plaksha Tech Leaders Fellowship. Previously, CEO of Farminvesta Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata, an agriculture-based social startup that provided high-resolution surveys for groundwater exploration, benefitting around 6,000 farmers in India. Selected as one of the 90 participants worldwide for a 12-day Antarctic Expedition led by polar explorer Robert Swan, as part of the 2041 ClimateForce programme held in March 2022.

Freeman Elohor Oluowo

Nigeria

Centre Coordinator for the African Centre for Climate Actions and Rural Development (ACCARD) Initiative, in charge of climate change and environment programmes and projects; volunteers in the Transformational Change Agenda of the Climate Investment Funds at the World Bank. Awarded the NORAD scholarship during Master's degree in Marine Based Ecosystem Management and Climate Change from Bergen University, UiT University of Tromsø, and Nha Trang University, Vietnam. 13 publications; supervised 6 research projects; membership in 5 scholarly bodies, research groups, and societies, including the Climate Change Impact and Response Research Network in the USA and the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) in the UK.

Jos C Raphael

India

Director of the District Rainwater Harvesting Mission (Mazhapolima) Trichur, a Kerala government initiative; Governing Board Member at the Institute for Resources Analysis and Policy in Hyderabad. Honoured with CII-UNESCO sponsored Water Digest Award in 2010 for best NGO in water harvesting; the Water Showcase Outstanding Award 2015 during the 7th World Water Forum in South Korea; Finalist in the first UN Water Summit, "Leaving No One Behind," held in Geneva in 2019. PhD in Development Studies from Mysore University; Master's of Science in Social Policy from the London School of Economics.

Atik Sheikh

India

Manager in the Climate Change and Sustainability division at PwC India; Climate Change Expert for the Bureau of Energy Efficiency within the Project Management Unit - Indian Carbon Market. Collaborations with the State Governments of Odisha, Meghalaya, Telangana, and Tamil Nadu in the development of state-level low-carbon development plans. Co-authored two research papers: "Sustainability Encouraging Mechanism – the way after 2012" and "Appraising Energy Efficiency Projects." Graduate of the Symbiosis Institute of International Business, Pune, holding an MBA in Energy and Environment.

Jeremiah Thoronka

Sierra Leone

Youth Advisory Council Member for Energy within the Clean Growth Leadership Network (CGLN); Deloitte Climate Scholar and Ambassador at One Young World; Global Youth Ambassador at Theirworld. Master's in Science in Sustainability, Energy, and Development from Durham University and a Bachelor's in Global Challenges from the African Leadership University, Rwanda. Summer Journalism Fellow for Business Today, USA; created, edited, and shared energy-related articles with over 10,000 monthly readers; collaborated with other Fellows from 6 different continents to develop and maintain high-quality by-weekly newsletters. Received 10 awards, including the Young African Achiever of the Year 2021, Commonwealth Youth Award for Excellence in Development 2021 - Africa, and the United Nations (UN) Academic Impact Millennium Fellow. Published 6 times, with contributions in Business Today Online Journal, ALU Global Focus Journal, and Renewables in Africa (RIA).

Juan Antonio Arriaga

Mexico

Biotechnologist with experience in industrial bioreactors, microencapsulation, and molecular diagnostic techniques. Co-founded and CFO of GREENfluidics, a biotech startup. Worked as an independent consultant in agrochemical production process analysis; financial analysis of products; intellectual property analysis. Specialized in Biotechnology from the Autonomous University of Mexico State; diploma certificate in Sustainable Development Goals affiliated with the UN.

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Kelo Uchendu

Nigeria

Founder, Gray2Green movement, a youth-led climate justice and air-quality advocacy movement; Co-Founder, Zentrum, social impact startup and global winner of the Rockefeller Foundation and Acumen Academy Social Innovation Challenge. Net Zero Consultant for Mott MacDonald; contributes to development of technical solutions and strategies for the buildings and infrastructure sector in meeting net-zero targets. Mock COP26 project was named by CNN as one of the top 10 Environmental Heroes in 2021. Active member of 2 UNFCCC Technology Executive Committee Activity Groups, concentrating on national systems of innovation and long-term technological transitions. Master's degree in Science and Technology Policy from the University of Sussex.

Krystal Mae Penafior

Philippines

Ambassador of the Island Innovation Program; IELTS Ambassador for the Philippines; Climate Reality Leader. Previously associated with Climate Change Commission, Office of the President of the Philippines; held the role of Development Management Officer. First Filipino and Southeast Asian to pursue MSc Island Biodiversity and Conservation programme at the University of Exeter in partnership with Jersey International Centre of Advanced Studies in the United Kingdom. Bachelor's degree in Forestry from the College of Forestry and Natural Resources, University of the Philippines.

Md. Humayain Kabir

Austria

Visiting Researcher at the University of Oxford; Mentor with Solve-MIT and Climate Reality Project; Associate Professor at the University of Chittagong, Bangladesh. PhD from the Wegener Center for Climate and Global Change, University of Graz, Austria; 2 MSc degrees, Climate Change from the University of East Anglia, UK (under the Commonwealth scholarship), and in Environmental Science, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh. Among the select group of 25 climate scientists accepted into the NASA summer school on "Satellite Observations and Climate Models," organized by NASA JPL Center for Climate Science and the Keck Institute for Space Studies under the California Institute of Technology (Caltech), USA.

Nitij Singh

India

Co-founder of Aslee, an apparel brand focused on building durable, ecologically responsible products to promote a sustainable, eco-friendly lifestyle; Hertie School India Representative and Senior Consultant for CPC Analytics. Worked as the Manager of Strategic Government Advisory in the healthcare division of Yes Bank and as Project Coordinator for the Society for Health Information Systems Project (HISP India). Master's in Public Policy from the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin.

Ketan Patel

India

Regional Director for the Africa and Asia regions at Enveritas, a non-profit start-up that seeks to end poverty in the coffee sector by 2030. Advisor and India Country Lead for 4Life Solutions. Previously founded a social startup, Imhanya, in Harare, Zimbabwe, which achieved recognition by winning the Startup Academy - Super Returns Africa in Cape Town in 2016. MBA from the University of Lincoln; contributes as an editor at "In Good Company, Managing Intellectual Property Issues in Franchising", managed by the WIPO.

Maria Elena De Matteo

Italy

Interim Communications Manager with the Global Alliance for the Future of Food; MIT Solved Reviewer; Communications, Campaign and Climate Action Consultant. Worked with several Greenpeace offices across the globe, covering different roles for global campaigns related to technology, cities, food, forests, the IPCC Report and the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP). MSc and a BSc in International Relations and Asian Studies from L'Orientale University in Naples, Italy.

Neeraja Kudrimoti

India

State Programme Officer, Transformation of Aspirational Districts Program, Chhattisgarh; was a Prime Minister's Rural Development Fellow. Master's in Public Policy from University College London, United Kingdom; dissertation on women's empowerment issues in the state of Chhattisgarh in India. Selected as the 2020 Acumen India Fellow for the Adaptive Leadership Development Programme. Received commendation for her contributions to malnutrition eradication, nutrition sensitive agriculture, and rural development from both the State and Central governments.

Nurul Islam Biplob

Bangladesh

Lead Researcher for the SAJIDA Foundation, an NGO currently operating in 36 districts, with microfinance, health, and other development initiatives. Previously worked as Knowledge Management Consultant for UNDP Bangladesh and as Program Coordinator on Climate Governance and Climate-Induced Migration for the British Council in Dhaka, Bangladesh; research officer at Campaign for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods under the Climate Finance Transparency Mechanism Programme with CSRL. Master's of Social Science in Social and Cultural Anthropology from Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka.

Pankaj Jiwrajka

India

Team Lead for the Air Pollution Action Group, Central Pollution Control Board. Previously worked with the Transforming Rural India Foundation (TRIF) in Ranchi, where he curated and managed partnerships; former Prime Minister's Rural Development Fellow and collaborated with the Government of Jharkhand and the Chief Minister's Office in Ranchi. Master's in Development Practice from the Tata Institute of Social Science in Mumbai; Master's in Public Policy from O.P. Jindal Global University; was awarded the Naveen Jindal Scholarship on a merit-cum-means basis.

Sai Parameswaran

India

Has worked with tribal communities in India, teaching and supporting them to become more climate resilient, through role at the Climate Change Desk at the LAYA Resource Centre, a leading resource centre for adivasi communities in Andhra Pradesh; researched on agriculture management practices and climate change at AfriAsia Outsourcing Services Private Limited. Master's in Natural Resources and Governance from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences; dissertation focused on "Landscape Restoration and Climate Change Adaptation". Additionally, he has experience working at GramaNiketan, an NGO, where he taught at the Centre for Academic Research (CARE), and also edited, wrote, and proofread books published by SmilingUnicorn.

Shanmuga Sundara Bharathi

India

Documentary filmmaker, director, and scriptwriter for 90 documentaries on the environment and pollution; has produced and directed 7 telefilms, 2 television serials, and 1 feature film. Nature-based solutions professional from the IUCN Academy, completed the 'Leadership in Biodiversity' course. Pursuing postgraduate diploma in Environmental Law and Policy from the online WWF-National Law University (Delhi). Life member of the Bombay Natural History Society and The Nilgiri Natural History Society; member of the Society for Ecological Restoration; Commission Member of IUCN CEC, CEM, and WCPA. Bachelor of Theatre Arts degree from the University of Calicut.

Stacey Alvarez de la Campa

Barbados

Legal and educational consultant, environmental activist. Community and Content Manager, Ambassador Program Coordinator, and Academic Council Liaison with Island Innovation; Decolonising Sustainability Lead as part of the Mission Equality CIC. Worked as a freelance writer and an English language, literature, and arts teacher; experienced in teaching students with learning disabilities and emotional/physiological challenges. Bachelor's in Literature in English with a minor in Linguistics from the University of the West Indies; undergraduate degree in law.

Paul M. Tuda

Germany

Fisheries Specialist with the Coastal Resources Center of the University of Rhode Island. Previously, Postdoctoral Scientist at the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research (ZMT); Guest Lecturer at ISATEC (Tropical Fisheries and Catching Methods) at Bremen University; Communications Specialist at Heidelberg University. Received 10 research grants; published 7 times; written 3 technical reports; participated in 10 conferences and workshops, with the latest in Rome for the International Symposium on Fisheries Sustainability, FAO. PhD in Marine Biology and Biological Oceanography, as well as a Master's in Aquatic Biology/Limnology from Bremen University.

Salem Afeworki

USA

First Energy and Sustainability Manager for the City of Costa Mesa, responsible for developing and implementing sustainability programs citywide; founder of Value Sustainability, a boutique consultancy specializing in climate change and community engagement services based in Southern California. Named 40 under 40 in Energy Transition in 2020, North America Ambassador by One Young World in 2019; Citizen E by Citizene.org/ United Nations Habitat for Humanity Los Angeles in 2018 among other awards. Master's in Environmental Management and Auditing from the Universidad de Leon, Spain; Bachelor's Communication and Political Science from the University of Asmara.

Sigrid Vasconez

Ecuador

Sustainable Development and Environment Specialist; Public Policy and Governance Consultant; works in the area of environment and biodiversity. Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador from 2018 to 2020, responsible for civil society engagements on issues related to human rights. Head - Environment and Society for a large international NGO, Grupo Farros in Ecuador, from 2007 to 2013. Master's in Development Policy from the Institute of Social Studies in the Netherlands.

Susan Jackson

Germany

Researcher and Program Manager, Climate Change and Health Intervention Working Group, Heidelberg Institute of Global Health; Senior Consultant with Momentum Novum; Affiliated Researcher with the Department of Economic History and International Relations at Stockholms Universitet. Executive Committee Member, International Communications Section Steering Committee member. Academic Network. PhD in Political Science from the University of Arizona, USA; Master's degree in International Studies from the American University. 20 years of experience teaching in universities in Germany, Sweden, and the USA; published 14 times; won 3 grants.

Cohort of 2020 - 21

In 2020-21, the Anant Fellowship for Climate Action received 1578 applications from 36 countries for 20 seats. The cohort comprises 23 Fellows from 10 countries of which 37.5% are women. Age is no bar at the Fellowship. The youngest member in the founding cohort was 14 years old at the time of enrollment and the oldest was 63 years old. These passionate individuals come with an incredible range and richness of experience. While some have held prominent positions in government, others are senior professors or Deans at university. A few Fellows are owners of companies and there are two homeschooled self-learners as well.

Aman Gupta

USA

Worked at the intersection of climate philanthropy and public policy with Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation in India; provided tactical and operational support to its Climate Policy Programme. Climate Reality Leader; has been actively spearheading Climate Reality – Chicago Chapter's campaigns at the city and state level. Master's in Public Policy from the Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago; alumnus of IIT Kanpur; Young India Fellow.

Bhamini Jain

India

Works with Edible Routes Foundation on permaculture; environmental sustainability; education projects. Environmental activist and artist. Committed to creating ecological and socially inclusive spaces; promoting policies and projects.

Passionate about going green; Instructional Garden Assistant at Soka University where she studied. Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Arts - Social and Behavioral Sciences from Soka University of America, California; Diploma in French from Aix-Marseille University

Elliot Connor

Australia

Founder and CEO of the charity, Human Nature Projects; Sydney Naturalists; Ambassador of organizations like Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature; Lawrence Anthony Earth Organization; Tunza Eco-Generation; HundrED.org. Recipient of many reputed awards - Young Landcare Leader Award 2019; Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award 2018. Work on environment and conservation has frequently been published.

Ashok Methil

India

Adjunct Professor, Head Of Agribusiness management at School of A Agribusiness Management, MIT World Peace University Pune. Retired Chief General Manager of the National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development; experience of 34 years; on the Board of various organisations. Master's in Agriculture.

Elisa Vallette

UK

Founder of WoWo Women of the World, whose mission is to weave an international sisterhood through storytelling, relaying inspiring messages from diverse women worldwide. Master's degree in governance; development; public policy from the University of Sussex, IDS. Received the first prize at the IDPCC International development policy case competition; represented Malaysia in the UNESCO Committee at Reims International Model United Nations. Young ambassador at UNICEF in 2015.

Goma Karki

Nepal

Project Manager in Nepali Yuwa in Climate Action and Green Growth. Environmental and sustainability enthusiast working with youth and young professionals in disaster risk reduction and climate to promote data-driven decision making. Master's in Science in Sustainability Science and Policy from Maastricht University; Bachelor's in Science (summa cum laude) from Hollins University, USA.

Hemang Vellore

India

Unschooling young achiever; climate solutionary; a robotics enthusiast; curious astronomer; an ethical hacker; a PHF fellow; black belt in karate. Founding Class Trailblazer 2020 - Fellowship For Climate Action at Anant National University. Activist on platforms like Fridays for Future, Youth 4 Climate; speaker TEDx, Youth Strike 4 Climate Change and NITI Ayog. Pursuing Diploma in Digital Fabrication from Fab Academy, Center of Bits and Atoms, MIT Boston at FABLAB 0. Certification in using inter-religious dialogue to strengthen peace, reconciliation, and social cohesion from KAICIID, Vienna, Austria.

Karthik Kumar

India

Managing Partner at Karthik Group of Companies, Bangalore, a family trading business focused on electric products. MBA from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University, USA. Rich experience of working in both family-owned businesses and at multinational corporations.

Mudit Nigam

France

Manager, Sustainable Finance, in Synechron. Expertise at the intersection of finance and climate change. BTech in Aerospace Engineering from IIT Kanpur; MBA from ESCP in Paris; Certifications from the World Bank Group in climate finance, greenhouse gas accounting, and greenhouse gas protocol.

Ruhizal Roosli

Malaysia

Senior lecturer, School of Housing, Building and Planning, Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM). PhD in Disaster Management, Development Planning and Housing, from Northumbria University, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK; certifications from Institute for International Political Studies, IFRC, and Oxford Brookes University; Bachelor's in in Building Technology from Universiti Sains Malaysia. 35 published articles in academic journals and book chapters.

Sijo Abraham

France

Program Associate at the Council on Energy and Water. Previously, spent 2 years in the Research and Innovation Department of Veolia in Paris, responsible for model development and simulations from conception to delivery for chemical, biophysical, economic and agricultural processes. Bachelor's in Chemistry from St. Stephens College in India; Master's in Science in Climate, Land Use and Ecosystem Services from AgroParisTech, University Paris-Saclay, France; Master's in Science in Molecular Chemistry from University of Paris-Saclay, France.

Jabir Karat

India

Co- Founder of Green Worms, a waste management enterprise based in Kozhikode, Kerala; on a mission to create dignified jobs through a circular economy to eradicate plastic pollution, poverty in India, and empowering women to be financially independent. Acumen fellow; TEDx speaker; has been published in many newspapers for his work.

Mohit Garg

India

Indian Police Service (IPS) officer since 2013. Started highly successful community policing initiatives of 'Manva Puna Bijapur' (Our Changing Bijapur in Gondi) and 'Ghotiyal Police' connecting more than 30,000 youth through sports, educational and cultural activities. Transformed police stations into citizen and employee-friendly units. Conferred the prestigious 1st Bar Police Medal for Gallantry and National Award. Alumnus of IIM Ahmedabad and an Acumen Fellow.

Raja Muzaffar Bhat

India

Social activist and columnist, covering issues related to governance, environment and social development in Kashmir. State Head, Jammu and Kashmir, Basix Social Enterprise Group, an organisation that works on solid waste management, skill development, and financial inclusion. Actively associated with the Right to Information movement in the state of Jammu and Kashmir which led to the enactment of the Right to Information legislation in the state in 2009.

Ruchie Kothari

India

Joint Director of Academics at the Anant Fellowship, Anant National University. Architect and sustainability consultant; over 12 years of experience developing and implementing concepts to make buildings and communities more energy, water, and waste efficient. Has worked extensively on interdisciplinary projects addressing climate change advocacy and training; urban sustainability; green infrastructure; eco-product design and manufacturing; high-performance buildings. Master's in Sustainable Design from Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh. Alumni of Global Shaper Community of the World Economic Forum, a Climate Reality Leader, and an Anant Fellow for Climate Action.

Shreya Basu

India

Senior Consultant with PwC; previously Research Associate at ISB, working on geodatabase management and geoprocessing of spatial and non-spatial data. Core areas of expertise are ESRI ArcGI, Quantum GIS, ERDAS, Idrisi Taiga, GeoDa, aerial and satellite imagery interpretation and classification. Master's from Clark University, specialisation in Geographic Information for Development and Environment; thesis was a study on the relationship between income and poverty and diabetes, cancer and AIDS death cases in Massachusetts. Also studied the changes in the spatial and temporal patterns by race and income from 2000-2008 in Massachusetts.

Sumamani Vedula

Netherlands

Founder and Director of Imli, an Indian restaurant in the Netherlands. Passionate about minimising and managing food waste. Previously worked in business analytics and marketing in India and Indonesia. Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy from Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani; postgraduate diploma in Liberal Sciences from Ashoka University. Young India Fellow. Pursuing Master's in the Netherlands.

Shwetang Monani

India

Director and founder of Avantgarde Design Studio, a multidisciplinary design and project management firm with both national and international projects in Ghana and Sri Lanka. Has worked extensively within the affordable housing sector in India.

Sumit Arora

India

Associate Director, Technology and Partnerships, Centre for Wildlife Studies, Bengaluru, Karnataka; Co-founder of Enviro Aware, an organisation that is working its way to making every business decision in the world environmentally aware. Managed and implemented the Swachhata Platform across India reaching more than 3,200 cities, onboarding 18 million citizens on the platform, with a 95 percent resolution rate of the issues reported. Founded an IT Services firm, Ingeniocity, and worked with both Indian and international clients.

Vinayak Nambiar

India

Formerly Associate Director of Applied Research at Sustain Labs Paris. Master's in Science from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Master's in Science in Biomedical Engineering from Imperial College, London; Bachelor's in Engineering from the University of Nottingham, Malaysia campus. Vision to make effective contribution to environmental health in the Global South, in research, implementation, management of sustainable environmental public health policies and designing interventions by targeting key population level issues.

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