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LSE's interdisciplinary student research conference
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Organisers' welcome

Dear students, colleagues, alumni and friends of LSE,

We are delighted to welcome you to Knowledge Beyond Boundaries 2026, LSE's sixth annual interdisciplinary student research conference. This conference is a key, exciting opportunity for students and recent alumni to share their research, and their voices as part of the LSE Festival. Knowledge Beyond Boundaries was designed as an open, welcoming and inclusive space for all presenters and attendees to engage in interdisciplinary dialogue, debate social science's big questions, and collaborate with others outside their own discipline. Five years on from its debut, today marks our biggest Knowledge Beyond Boundaries conference yet, but its purpose remains the same: to empower participants' academic, personal and professional growth while showcasing their research to the LSE community and beyond.

We were excited to receive over 150 proposals to present at this year's conference, including papers, posters, creative show-and-tell projects and performances. Today's programme features contributions ranging from first-year undergraduate student research to in-progress MSc dissertations, and work completed by recently graduated LSE alumni. We are especially delighted to welcome over 40 participants from our CIVICA partner universities across Europe, many of whom have travelled to London to be here with us on campus for the conference.

This year, our conference focus aligns with the theme of the LSE Festival: how to save the planet. Today's panels span the complexities of life on Earth right now – from migration and care to technology and conflict, from sustainability and relationality to labour and economic growth. Yet, despite the breadth of this year's contributions, each presentation grapples with the urgent, multifaceted challenge of saving the planet. We bring these contributions together in today's programme to open up interdisciplinary conversations, considering how the social sciences can help us understand ways to improve today's world for a better tomorrow. We are proud to feature several panels and a reception hosted in partnership with LSE's Global School of Sustainability as part of today's programme.

The skills you need to tackle complex problems cannot all be found within the confines of a single discipline. As interdisciplinary educators and researchers, we believe in stepping beyond the boundaries of your degree programme as a student. Whether it's learning how competing definitions shape a challenge, understanding why methodological choices matter, or interrogating the borders of disciplines themselves, we hope this conference sparks your curiosity and broadens your understandings of what student-led social science research looks like. After all, the challenge of trying to save the planet, and the consequences of not doing so, are something we are all already having to grapple with, not just outside of disciplinary boundaries but beyond social, professional, national and political boundaries too. We are looking forward to being inspired by this year's presenters to address this challenge together.

We are grateful to everyone who has made today's conference possible, including generous support from: LSE's Education and Student Experience Strategy, LSE100 Course Manager Simon Jolly, Louise Jones and Meg Carter from the LSE Festival team, Peyton Babbe from the LSE Communications Division, Folly Fowowe from the Global School of Sustainability, Rebecca Sealy and Emily Harrison from the CIVICA team, Lucy Lambe from Houghton Street Press, the LSE100 Fellows and GSoS affiliates acting as research mentors, our panel chairs, the LSE Catering, AV, and Portering teams, and our fantastic student event stewards. Most of all, thank you to all of our conference presenters who are sharing their research with us at this year's conference!

Enjoy the conference and we hope to see you again next year!

Best wishes,

Dr Carolina Are, Dr Chris Blunt, Dr Danielle Cameron, Niamh Donnelly and Dr Jillian Terry
Conference organisers, June 2026

Conference overview (all times BST)

09:30 – 10:00	Registration Lower Ground Floor, Cheng Kin Ku Building
10:00 – 10:15	Welcome from the conference organisers Sheikh Zayed Theatre, Cheng Kin Ku Building
10:15 – 10:45	Keynote address Sheikh Zayed Theatre, Cheng Kin Ku Building
10:45 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 12:15	Parallel panel sessions (I)
12:15 – 12:30	Break
12:30 – 13:45	Parallel panel sessions (II)
13:45 – 14:30	Lunch Lower Ground Floor, Cheng Kin Ku Building
14:30 – 15:45	Parallel panel sessions (III)
15:45 – 16:00	Break
16:00 – 17:15	Parallel panel sessions (IV)
17:15 – 18:30	Networking and drinks reception

Throughout the day, visit our student publishing showcase on the Lower Ground Floor of the Cheng Kin Ku Building (CKK) where you can learn more about publishing your work and speak to representatives from:

Houghton Street Press: the student imprint of LSE Press, a platform for high quality, open access content produced by LSE students

Alexandria: a curated academic publication for emerging and established writers across the social sciences

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9:30 – 10:00 Registration

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Kin Ku Building
(CKK)

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome from the conference organisers

Sheikh Zayed
Theatre, CKK

10:15 – 10:45 Keynote address

Sheikh Zayed
Theatre, CKK



Mete Coban (@metecoban92) MBE became the Deputy Mayor of London for Environment and Energy in July 2024, overseeing the Mayor's world-leading climate action plan for the capital. Before becoming Deputy Mayor, Mete was a Councillor and Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Environment, and Transport in the London Borough of Hackney, delivering a £61 million Green New Deal to tackle the climate crisis. He is best known for pioneering Hackney's Community Energy Fund, providing clean, green, community-owned energy to 39 not-for-profits. Mete is widely credited with making politics more accessible to young people as the Founder of the youth-led charity My Life My Say. He led the Give an X voter registration campaign, which resulted in over 488,000 newly registered voters ahead of the UK General Election in July 2024.

10:45 – 11:00 Changeover break

Lower Ground
Floor, CKK

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Parallel panel sessions (I)

11:00 – 12:15

Alumni Theatre

A **Governing the global: institutions, responsibility, and the limits of international law**

Regionalising the responsibility to protect: a comparative investigation on sources of humanitarian response

Carolina Innez Ferreira

An Environmental UNCLOS: using maritime international law and international organizations as a guide to environmental law

Tallulah McEnroe

Mobile Connectivity and Conflict Reporting: evidence from a spatial regression discontinuity design in Central Africa

Brianna Dickey

Framing the Issue: TV news framing of asylum-seekers and the Rwanda Asylum Plan

Brigid Chanen

Lives on Hold: Uncertainty, inequality, and the residence permit in Florence, Italy

Laurie Spafford

Setting the policy reform agenda for strengthening the World Trade Organisation and promoting re-globalization for a secure, inclusive, and sustainable future

Patricia M. de Guzman

11:00 – 12:15

Thai Theatre

B **Green promises, structural friction: the politics of sustainability**

The tyranny of the majority vs. the planet

Samad Quraishi

Can EU competition law accelerate the green energy transition while safeguarding the Single Market?

Helena Prado

Left behind on the last mile: public transport safety, vulnerable minorities, and the limits of green urbanism in India

Misty Elsa Mathew

From transparency to political pushback: reassessing the corporate sustainability reporting directive

Amelia Gluszak

When critique preserves the default

Angel Lee

Fixing the unfixable: why a failed mega-project reveals how growth survives its own crises

Ling Tuo



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11:00 – 12:15 C Space, place and personhood

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The personhood problem in rights of nature: a comparative science and technology studies account of the limits of legal personality in the Mar Menor and River Ganga

Saara Parijaat

What defines feelings of identity and belonging according to cross-cultural individuals?

Rafaela Ferraresi Moura

Whose planet is being saved? The quiet production of disposable lives: international law and the politics of vulnerability

Chaima Salem

Beyond borders: addressing Sama-Bajau statelessness without undermining maritime mobility

Mayuka Hasimoto, Emily Fan, Risa Komoriya

I found these in my garden and nobody asked: knowledge silos and citizen science at the edge of an ecological crisis

Zoey England

11:00 – 12:15 D Poster session – flash talks

CKK 2.13

When the sky speaks Hausa: community-centred AI for flood resilience in rural Africa

Kayode Adeniyi

Thinking less, prompting more: the cognitive impact of AI

Syeda Nariman Ahmer

Intersectionality starts before the algorithm: from thin data labels to thick AI governance

Youhee Choi

Reconsidering fertility: why democratic economic policy needs to question the common sense of demographic data

Lillian A. Schar

Regulating against the wind: the politics of sails, standards, and shipping decarbonization

Séamas Porter

Closing the loop: circular economy and food sovereignty in Guadeloupe, a step towards environmental justice

Crislène Armougom

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11:00 – 12:15

CKK 2.16

E Power, coercion, and the contested foundations of global governance

Rethinking post-conflict peacebuilding: liberal, illiberal, and the pursuit of stability in Burundi and Rwanda

Hanan Banda

Chinese humanitarian intervention in public memory: divergent recognitions and the instability of the humanitarian framework

Boyang Zhang

Beyond Root Causes: the securitisation of EU development aid and the illegal migration industry in North Africa

Olivia Donnelly

How to save Trianon: the League of Nations' 1924 Hungary loan between global financial governance and informal empire

Fabian Lichtenauer

Why global governance fails without domestic political alignment: the limits of UN reform

James (Hebin) Li

From military conscription to modern slavery: explaining variation between Eritrea and Ethiopia

Mara Bulzan

12:15 – 12:30

Changeover break

Lower Ground
Floor, CKK

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Parallel panel sessions (II)

12:30 – 13:45

Alumni Theatre

A Technology, access, and the struggle over knowledge

Strategic knowledge in a fracturing world: epistemic communities between weaponisation and resistance

Andrea Garbo

Once upon no time (performance)

Elsa Uzan

A logician's eye view of forecasting

Dumebi Bob-Osamor

The AI Spotter: a framework for appropriate student use of AI in Higher Education

Daniel Harvey-Read

Who's liable when no one's driving? A three-pillar framework for AV accountability in Japan

Aakarsh Deepak Boswan

No connection, no voice: internet access as a human right

Matilde Ayerza

12:30 – 13:45

Thai Theatre



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B The uneven geographies of green governance and climate action

The hidden costs of Germany's coal exit: when climate policies conflict

Béla Curtius

Lula and the persistence of extractivist and hierarchical global governance at COP30 in Belém (Brazil)

Camille Naviner

Whose planet are we saving? Ivory, empire, and legality without rupture

Moses Lee

Can EU competition law accelerate the green energy transition while safeguarding the single market?

Anna Van Impe and Helena Duarte Ribeiro Do Prado

The energy transition and its perception in Europe: a comparative study of Slovenia and Poland

Bogna Kamińska, Alicja Waszczuk and Zala Stabej

Whose planet, whose future? Rethinking environmental saviourism through coloniality and race

Luna Sent

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12:30 – 13:45

CKK 2.08

C The structural production of vulnerability: health, care and violence

Along the Cambodian border: impacts of human trafficking in Cambodia on regional relations and stability

Minh Tam Pham, Le Xuan Yeo, Nicole Thomas, Siri Manneri

A matter of life or death: increasing diversity in medical textbooks

Harriet Jewitt, Ellie Hayes, Tesleem Fowora, Shan Chier Yap, Joan Joe, Maddison Kench

Encoding inequity: a critical policy analysis of AI-driven health resource allocation tools in the context of climate-related health vulnerability

Ankit Raj

Frictionless discipline: self-tracking apps and the chrononormative body

Han Xu

Austerity and anemia: investigating the impact of welfare cuts on children's nutritional outcomes in the UK

Kavya Anchuri and Dr Guddi Singh

Reconciling Law and the human mind: linguistic and cognitive constraints on legal engagement

Salma Djamil

12:30 – 13:45

CKK 2.13

D Poster session: flash talks

Prioritising wellbeing: a ban on beauty marketing for mental health and the environment

Clara Giendl

Neutrality as strategy: diplomatic non-attribution and the normalization of attacks on healthcare

Carolyne You

Collective bargaining and conscious consumerism: shifting the paradigm in Bangladesh's RMG industry

Alia Abdelhamid, Anika Ramesh, Diana Al Shalabi, Eva Price, Molly Callander, Emma Bielle-Bisson

Non-iron Mondays

Mohammad Rustam

Environmental degradation integrated into the Solow-Romer Model

Narayani Meghna Varanasi

Climate justice in a more-than-human world

Naa Yarley Yartey

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12:30 – 13:45 E Voice, representation and futures of democratic participation

CKK 2.16

Rebuilding democracy in an age of polarization

Kristupas Virsilas

The black box of representation: fear and paralysis in UK climate politics

Hongjing Huang

Illiberal Europe, liberal Europe: Hungary and the politics of civilizational division

Sihan Yang

More than a checkbox: how electoral systems affect democratic fulfilment

Ines McCairley

Fragmented yet universal: youth mobilization and the politics of planetary survival

Madeleine Kao

Leading transformation: the role of youth (ages 18-29) in global governance, policy, narratives and leadership

Ritvik Krishnan Srivastava

13:45 – 14:30 Lunch

Lower Ground
Floor, CKK

Parallel panel sessions (III)

14:30 – 15:45 A Impact Research Lab Showcase

Alumni Theatre



This panel will showcase the research outputs from the inaugural LSE Impact Research Lab (IRL), a nine-day interdisciplinary student research programme where teams of LSE and Imperial undergraduates are working together to tackle challenges set by real-world partners. This year's challenges connect to LSE's five global research priorities: popular government, political economy, sustainable development, inequality and new technologies.

Student research teams are working on projects for partners such as:

- Office for Investment (Number 10)
- Justice by Degree
- Shell
- LSE's Global School of Sustainability

This panel will include presentations from each IRL team outlining the work they've done and how interdisciplinary research has enabled them to identify feasible, evidence-driven solutions.

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14:30 – 15:45

Thai Theatre

B Platform power, algorithmic control, and the struggle for democratic expression

Counterpublics under capture: can marginalised voices survive platform capitalism?

Amelia Ogiela

Reclaiming citizen voice: whose consultation is it anyway?

Ayla Mackrory-Jamieson, Samuel Grosz, Ali Rajpal, Haleema Ahmed, Sum Yuet Cheung (Moon), Layomi Martins

The need for resistance: reclaiming agency in an age of AI

Katelyn Liu

A solution to AI-enabled disinformation campaigns in Nigeria

Isabel Duetoft, Sara Dogaru, Paramaguru Gurusamy, Rosalie Klingler, Ziyue Yu

Algorithmic fairness in predictive policing: what data can add

Fada Mahmoudi, Maria Federica Martino Lena, Pradyumn Lath, Jihua Liang

Governing the ungovernable: AI-enabled crime and the future of just societies

Muriel Houedjakou-Djagbre

14:30 – 15:45

CKK 2.08

C Invisibility, inclusion and the politics of gender

Named but not seen: vulnerability, invisibilization, and women in Costa Rican Drug law

Lauren Díaz Arias

The imported closet: colonial inheritance and the criminalization of sexuality in anglophone Africa

Agnes Nmabila Azalimah

Present but not heard? Gender quotas, parliamentary voice, and the role of experience in Uganda's 10th parliament

Annika Benzing

Closing the gap early: the impact of publicly funded early childhood education on the gender wage gap

Šárka Neumannová

From labour markets to political inclusion: evidence on female representation in Italian municipalities

Edoardo Manzi

Gender and representation: analysing legislative behaviour in the Indian parliament

Devna Pandey

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14:30 – 15:45 D Relationality and the planet

CKK 2.13

Unmoved: a global elegy of the unheard

Swapnarka Arnan

Inequality as the missing link in the climate-migration nexus

Jisung Park and Eva Maja Dieterich

Wealth inequality and CO2 emissions: global panel analysis and projected climate impacts of a hypothetical wealth tax on the top 1%

Sergio Cortes

Cities against climate change: can local governments lead the transition?

Elene Menabdishvili

Taoist climate politics: rethinking anthropocentrism and the human-nature relationship

Lok Yin Chan

The limits of insurance: who gets to be protected on an “uninsurable” planet

Alexia-Maria Puiu

14:30 – 15:45 E Labour and existential protections

CKK 2.16

The legalization trap: how paper welfare rights fail their promises? Evidence from China’s pension system (2015 – 2024)

Jiatong Liu

Contesting the AI-UBI consensus on labour, inequality, and technological inevitability

Hong Pham

Paying women for unpaid care

Ananya Gurumurthy Iyer

Consent over hierarchy, social justice over profits, symbiosis over market power: reimagining market relationships through the cooperative model

Luisa Peyrusaubes

How AI distributes the burden of existential risk through algorithmic inequality across the Global South

Pradisty Herlina Setiabudi

Thinking in systems: the key to solving the global polycrisis?

Maïa Lacombe

15:45 – 16:00 Break

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Parallel panel sessions (IV)

16:00 – 17:15

Alumni Theatre

A AI, conflict and the fragmentation of global order

The political regulation of military AI: how states govern the use of artificial intelligence in warfare and conflict

Miruna-Ioana Ursache

Algorithms at war: the new soldiers of armed conflict

Mayukhi Mittal

Addressing the dilution of political responsibility for lethal strikes as French drones evolve from AI-assisted to fully automated

Austin Rowlands, Ema Ogowewo, Beltran Lopez-Henares, Sixtine Lucas

Cheap drones, expensive wars: rethinking security in a fragmented world

Angel Angelov

Preference reversal: Hormuz, middle powers and environmental conditionality in European semiconductor industrial policy

Hugo Estefania Toussaint

Fighting the last war: exploring patterns in Western intervention through cognitive psychology

Ibrahim Chaudry

16:00 – 17:15

Thai Theatre

B Growth, neoliberalism and green transition

Beyond 'green jobs': a critical typology

Max Cocard

Who bears the cost of the green transition? Wind energy siting and indigenous communities in Latin America

Anna Maria Lukasik

Confined from within: neoliberal rationality and climate advocacy in the UK

Toprak Saklayici

Restoring nature, preserving the status quo? Degrowth and paradigmatic tensions in the EU nature restoration law

Anne Hatahet

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16:00 – 17:15

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C Labour, land, and the lived economies of environmental crisis

Sink or skill: survival, selection, and skilled labour in flood-affected firms

Vishakha Singla

The impact of venture capital markets integration on the European Union's competitiveness: a mixed-methods analysis of EuVECA, cross-border capital flows, and innovation network centrality

Pasquale Incarnato

Dignity on display: retail logics in the French Red Cross's social assistance

Olya Lamotte

Who is wasting food and why: a mixed study of food waste among high schoolers and students in Reims, France

Maxime Martin, Clémence Lafond Julia Virey, Thomas Mevel

16:00 – 17:15

CKK 2.13

D Legitimacy, capture, and the politics of belonging

Who benefits from AI: rethinking equality in the future of education

Ellie Flaherty

The EU: no longer a moral force in the world?

Maya Schlarmann

Partner or enabler? The EU-Azerbaijan partnership and the credibility of EU normative commitments

Ilaria Ferrante

Who elected the algorithm?

Maryam Siddiqui

The politics of dual belonging: UK nationals' acquisition of EU citizenship post-Brexit

Sadhbh Lawrie

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16:00 – 17:15

CKK 2.16

E Beyond the map: mobility, displacement, and the politics of categorisation

Transit migration in the Darién Gap: the 'in-between' and why it matters

Carla Broussy

From displacement to storytelling: memory as world-making among Kerala's indigenous community

Karthu Anilchandran Geethampili

Fragments, practice, and place: collage as a collaborative archival method

Claire Shankie

Green coloniality: how 'saving the planet' reproduces inequality in Jakarta and Xuzhou

Qi Zheng and Siddarth Choudhary

No category, no care: compound climate-conflict displacement and the structural exclusion of migrant women

Juni Mari Filseth Haavind

17:15 – 18:30

Networking and drinks reception

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Participant biographies

A**Aakarsh Deepak Boswan**

Aakarsh Deepak is a first-year BSc Financial Mathematics and Statistics student at LSE. He is interested in the intersection of AI governance and financial services, specifically how AI is reshaping regulatory oversight and financial risk.

Abigail Gaetz

Abigail Gaetz is an MSc candidate in Media and Communications: Data and Society at LSE where her dissertation investigates trust, authority, and accountability in the legal profession's adoption of AI.

Agnes Nmabila Azalimah

Agnes Nmabila Azalimah is a Ghanaian MSc International Social and Public Policy student at the London School of Economics and Political Science. Her research is at the intersection of gender, governance, and postcolonial African studies. She is interested in how colonial legal inheritances continue to shape policy outcomes for marginalised communities.

Alexia-Maria Puiu

Alexia Puiu is a rising third-year student in the dual BA program between Sciences Po and Columbia University. Her academic interests include political economy, economic governance, and the societal implications of climate-related and economic insecurity.

Ali Rajpal

As a first-year BSc Management student, Ali's academic interests focus on the role that businesses and public organisations play in shaping social inequality. He is further involved in social-impact initiatives supporting education and refugee aid, and is interested in applying interdisciplinary research to long-term social challenges.

Alia Abdelhamid

Alia Abdelhamid is a first-year BSc Politics and Economics student at LSE. She is interested in the application of systems-thinking tools to economic and social policy to solve humanitarian and environmental issues.

Alicja Waszczuk

Alicja Waszczuk is a third-year BA student in Social Sciences and Humanities at Sciences Po Paris. Her academic interests include international relations, European affairs, and the energy transition in Europe.

Amelia Głuszak

Amelia Głuszak is a second-year BA Economics and Sociology student at Sciences Po Paris and a soon-to-be exchange student at LSE. Committed to sustainability, she is interested in exploring economic topics from an environmental perspective, and one day, she hopes to embark on a career in sustainable finance.

Amelia Ogiela

Amelia Ogiela is a second-year Politics and Government student at Sciences Po Paris, completing her final undergraduate year at King's College London. With a strong interest in public policy, she is passionate about how institutions shape political outcomes and eager to contribute to evidence-based policymaking at both the national and European levels.

Participant biographies

Ananya Gurumurthy Iyer

Ananya is a postgraduate student studying International Social and Public Policy at LSE. Her research interests focus on education policy implementation and the role of social protection in shaping women's and child poverty. She has previously worked as a policy consultant with the School Education Department in Tamil Nadu, India.

Andrea Garbo

Andrea Garbo is a second-year MA Transnational Governance student at the European University Institute. He is interested in the role of innovation in geopolitical and economic competition.

Angel Angelov

Angel Angelov is an MSc Accounting and Finance student at LSE and will join NATO's Defence Investment Division in autumn 2026. His interests include defence economics, rearmament, geopolitical risk, and how emerging technologies reshape security, deterrence, and modern warfare.

Angel Lee

Angel Lee is a first-year student at Sciences Po whose interests lie in environmental politics and technology, particularly in the ways they shape contemporary life and social change.

Anika Ramesh

Anika Ramesh is a first-year BSc Philosophy, Politics and Economics student at LSE. She is interested in workers' rights and how bargaining power and consumer awareness can improve labour conditions in developing economies.

Ankit Raj

Dr. Ankit Raj is a physician and public health specialist currently pursuing an MSc in Health Policy, Planning and Financing at the London School of Economics and Political Science and London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. His interests lie at the intersection of artificial intelligence and health systems strengthening and how digital health technologies can drive equitable, efficient, and resilient health systems globally.

Anna Maria Lukasik

Anna Maria Lukasik is a Master's student in International Social and Public Policy at LSE with a background in Socioeconomics. Having studied at Universidad del Norte in Colombia, her research sits at the intersection of environmental policy, economic development and justice. She is particularly interested in evidence-based policymaking and the feasibility limits of just transitions.

Anna Van Impe

Anna Van Impe is a second-year LLB student at LSE with a keen interest in European Union law, particularly the interplay between the Union's structural foundations and its evolving policy priorities.

Anne Hatahet

Anne Hatahet is an LSE and Sciences Po graduate specialising in the political economy of the green transition. She has professional experience in EU climate policy in Brussels and is particularly interested in green industrial policy and industrial decarbonisation.

Participant biographies

Annika Benzing

Annika Benzing is a Political Science student at Sciences Po Paris and Freie Universität Berlin. Her research focuses on gender and political representation, with a comparative and international outlook. She is particularly interested in empirical approaches to studying women's voice and participation across different national contexts.

Austin Rowlands

Austin Rowlands is a first-year BSc Politics student. He is interested in how governments respond to technological change, and how data can be gathered and applied to policymaking in these contexts to ensure that the best possible decisions are made.

Ayla Mackrory-Jamieson

As a first year undergraduate studying Politics and International Relations, Ayla's academic interests focus on migration, humanitarian policy, and international cooperation. She is further involved in the London and European Model United Nations circuits, which drives her interest in how interdisciplinary research can inform policy responses to complex global challenges.

B

Béla Curtius

Béla Curtius is a first-year B.A. student at Sciences Po Paris, Nancy Campus. He is interested in the interaction between economics and sustainability, focusing on how to build a future economic model that accommodates planetary boundaries and social needs.

Bogna Kamińska

Bogna Kamińska is a third-year student at Sciences Po Paris (Campus of Dijon), and a future student of the Paris School of International Affairs. She is interested in global governance, and, in particular, how Central and Eastern European nations are responding to its contemporary crises.

Boyang Zhang

Boyang Zhang is a graduate student studying MSc China in Comparative Perspective at the Department of Anthropology, LSE. He is interested in comparative politics and the modern history of China, especially the role of morality in shaping Chinese domestic and international policies, and the history of communism during the Mao era. After finishing his studies at LSE, he will pursue a Ph.D. in Political Science with a regional focus on China and Asia-Pacific.

Brianna Dickey

Brianna Dickey is a MSc Development Studies student at LSE, building on prior postgraduate work in International Development and Environmental Policy at Harvard. For the past decade, she has led development initiatives across LATAM and MENA, collaborating with governments, multilaterals, and private sector partners in commodity markets.

Bridgid Chanen

Bridgid Chanen is an MSc International Social and Public Policy student at LSE. She is passionate about understanding key social issues and supporting change towards a more just, equitable and inclusive world. She is presenting research completed during her BA in journalism, communications and politics which earned an award for the highest mark in the Cardiff University school of journalism, media and culture.

Participant biographies

C

Camille Naviner

Camille Naviner is a fourth-year dual degree student at Sciences Po Paris and UC Berkeley. Her interests lie at the intersection of diplomacy, Latin America, and socially and environmentally just development.

Carla Broussy

Carla Broussy is a researcher focused on migration and conflict, with an interest in lived experiences and their impact on policy response. She holds a Master's in International Development from LSE and currently manages Government Relations at the World Energy Council.

Carolina Ferreira

Carolina Ferreira is an undergraduate scholar in International Relations at IE University. Adamant on improving international humanitarian intervention, she engages in a critique of the Responsibility to Protect doctrine, exploring the interplay between global and regional governance, with a focus on normative frameworks and their application in contemporary conflict settings.

Carolyne You

Carolyne You is an MSc candidate in Health and International Development at the London School of Economics and Political Science, specialising in Applied Development Economics. Her research explores diplomatic responses to attacks on healthcare in conflict settings, with a particular focus on attribution, accountability, and the international discourse surrounding UN Security Council Resolution 2286. She holds a BSc Microbiology and Immunology with Distinction from the University of British Columbia. She has research experience studying vascular surgery interventions and outcomes at Sunnybrook Research Institute.

Claire Shankie

Claire Shankie is an MSc International Social and Public Policy (Migration) student with a background in sociology and anthropology. Her research explores migration, community art practices, collage, and archival interventions. She is interested in creative research methods, affective practices of home and belonging, and how complexity/contradiction shape knowledge production.

Clara Giendl

Clara Giendl is a second-year dual master's student in International Economic Policy at Sciences Po and International Relations at LSE. She enjoys policy-oriented research and analysis and likes to keep her range of topics broad, though she is particularly interested in sustainable development, education, and addressing socioeconomic inequalities.

Crislène Armougom

Crislène Armougom is a fourth-year BAsc student (Economics and Geosciences) at Sciences Po Paris and the Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris. Growing up in Guadeloupe, a French Caribbean island vulnerable to climate change and spatial inequalities, rooted her interest in addressing the environmental and economic challenges faced by insular territories. She aspires to contribute to public policy in territorial planning and sustainable development.

D

Daniel Harvey-Read

Dan Read is an MSc Philosophy of Science student at LSE. Before coming to LSE, he worked for six years as a higher education student life professional. Currently, he is researching the resemblances between science and religion.

Participant biographies

Devna Pandey

Devna is a student in the MSc Political Behaviour programme at LSE. Her research interests centre on gender politics and the political economy of development, with a focus on India.

Diana Al Shalabi

Diana Al Shalabi is a first year Bsc International Social and Public Policy student at LSE. She is interested in the hidden economy, especially within countries in ongoing political transitions, and how it has affected their social, cultural and political position overtime.

Dumebi Bob-Osamor

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F

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R

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T

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U

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