I am motivated to tackle environmental issues in part by its manifold influence socio-economic development. Moreover, I have broad relevant experience from previous work at The United Nations (UN), European Parliament, National University of Singapore, volunteer projects and study of International Business. I want to gain the necessary expertise to positively influence environmental policy at an international organisation. Your programme is an essential component of understanding environmental challenges holistically.

Working at international organisations has shown me the challenges and current practices in forming environmental policies. During my time at the UN Environment Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), I developed my interest for the economic impact of environmental problems. I informed banks about the effects of climate change on the financial industry. For this, I researched a wide range of material including UNEP FI and University of Cambridge’s publication *Stability and Sustainability in Banking Reform*. Further, I attended a workshop on green industrial policy and trade, held by Jorge E. Viñuales, during which I came to know the contradictions between trade and environmental policy.

While interning at the World Meteorological Organization, I assisted in organising a multi-stakeholder conference aiming to advance climate resilience, and supported the development of its Concept Note and Agenda. Because conference partners had differing priorities, I saw the complex dynamics that emerge in multilateral policy-making. Similarly, as intern at the European Parliament, I witnessed how conflicting political views influenced the legislative process. These experiences motivate me to study existing environmental law to be familiar with a recognised framework when designing international environmental policy.

As an undergraduate, I focused on environmental policy in economics and law courses, and from this I was also twice awarded a competitive merit-based scholarship. I complemented this knowledge with environmental concepts reading books such as *This changes everything* by Naomi Klein. Although I believe her work understates private sector initiatives for climate action, the book showed me that the neoclassical economic model I had studied needs to be reinterpreted to address environmental problems.

My interest in research developed while writing my Bachelor’s thesis about social start-ups in West Africa. I travelled to the region, conducted interviews with policy-makers, evaluated World Bank data and studied country reports from the Economist Intelligence Unit to analyse the local business environment. During my internship at the Logistics Institute at National University of Singapore, I researched and analysed e-commerce markets in Asia using Euromonitor’s database.

In addition to my work and university experiences, I have headed volunteer projects such as *Let’s Do It* in Colombia, where I led 30 volunteers to raise environmental awareness by organizing workshops in schools. My international background from work experience, research trips and fluency in four languages is also reflected in my globalist environmental approach, whereby the complexity of environmental issues necessitates international cooperation.

With this programme, I hope to build on my experience to shape international policy that effectively combats global environmental problems. I believe I am well-suited to your programme not only by my interest and ability in this field, but also by my experience, expertise, and ambition post-study.

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The manifold implications of environmental issues on socio-economic development and the urgency of environmental degradation have motivated me to tackle environmental challenges. Studying this programme is the best way to go after this passion. Its training in legal and economic concepts will equip me with the necessary expertise to pursue a career in environmental policy at an international organisation. Moreover, the interdisciplinary approach allows me to leverage the broad experience I gained while working at United Nations, European Parliament, National University of Singapore, volunteer projects and during my International Business studies, and to become a competent and keen student.

Working at international organisations has shown me the challenges and current practices in forming environmental policies. At the UN Environment Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), I informed banks about the effects of climate change on the financial industry. For this, I researched a wide range of material - for example, UNEP FI and University of Cambridge’s joint publication “Stability and Sustainability in Banking Reform”. Furthermore, I attended a workshop on green industrial policy and trade, held by Jorge E. Viñuales, during which a policy document was developed. Overall, the time at UNEP FI triggered my interest in/for the economic impact of environmental problems.

During my internship at the World Meteorological Organization, I assisted in organising the AMCOMET – Africa Hydromet Forum, a multi-stakeholder conference aiming to advance climate resilience, and supported the development of its Concept Note and Agenda. Because conference partners had differing priorities, I have seen the complex dynamics that emerge in multilateral policy-making. Similarly, as intern at the European Parliament, I witnessed how conflicting political views influenced/biased the legislative process during plenary sessions. These experiences motivate me to study existing environmental law to be familiar with a recognised framework when designing international environmental policy in my future.

As an undergraduate, I became attracted to the academic content of the Environmental Policy programme. I took courses in economics and law, for which I was twice awarded with the competitive WU merit-based scholarship. I complemented this knowledge with environmental concepts by reading books such as *This changes everything* by Naomi Klein. Even though I believe her work understates private sector initiatives for climate action, the book showed me that the neoclassical economic model I had studied would need to be reinterpreted to account for environmental problems.

My profound interest in research developed while writing my Bachelor’s thesis about social start-ups in West Africa. I travelled to the region, conducted interviews with policy-makers, evaluated World Bank data and studied country reports from the Economist Intelligence Unit to analyse the local business environment. During my internship at the Logistics Institute at National University of Singapore, I used Euromonitor’s database to research e-commerce markets in Asia to identify trends and business opportunities.

In addition to my work and university experiences, I headed volunteer projects such as Let’s Do It in Colombia, where I led 30 volunteers from 16 countries to raise environmental awareness by organizing workshops in schools. My international background through work experience, research trips and fluency in four languages is also reflected in my globalist environmental approach: The complexity of environmental issues such as marine pollution or climate change necessitates international cooperation. My international mindset, paired with the training from this programme, will enable me to shape environmental policy that effectively combats global environmental problems.

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At international organisations, I have learned how environmental policy is shaped in practice and experienced the challenges one faces in the field. At the UN Environment Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), I attended a workshop on industrial policy and trade held by Jorge E. Viñuales, during which I saw how policy documents develop. Furthermore, I utilised a wide range of material - for example, UNEP FI and University of Cambridge’s joint publication “Stability and Sustainability in Banking Reform” - to research the effects of climate change on the financial industry and communicated my findings to banks. This sparked my interest in the economic impact of environmental problems, and I am excited to elaborate this interest through this programme.

During my internship at the World Meteorological Organization, I assisted in organizing the AMCOMET – Africa Hydromet Forum, a multi-stakeholder conference aiming to advance climate resilience, and supported the development of its Concept Note and Agenda. Because conference partners had differing priorities, I have seen the complex dynamics that emerge in multilateral policy-making. Similarly, as intern at the European Parliament, I witnessed confronting political views during plenary sessions. These experiences motivate me to study existing environmental law to be familiar with a recognised framework when designing international environmental policy in my future.

As undergraduate student, I was not only rewarded twice with the competitive WU merit based scholarship, but also became attracted to the academic content of this programme. I took courses in economics and law and by engaging in wider readings, I complemented my knowledge with environmental concepts. For example, with *This changes everything* by Naomi Klein. Even though I believe her work understates private sector initiatives for climate action, the book showed me that the neoclassical economic model I had studied would need to be reinterpreted to effectively tackle environmental problems.

My profound interest in research developed at universities/in academia/in academic environments as well. I evaluated World Bank data and analysed country reports from the Economist Intelligence Unit when writing my Bachelor’s thesis about social Start-Ups in West Africa. During my internship at the Logistics Institute at NUS, I used Euromonitor’s database to research about e-commerce markets in Asia.

To describe my character/personality, the word cosmopolitan fits best. I have explored 65 countries and speak Spanish, French, English and German. This trait supports my intercultural skills. As head at Let’s Do It in Colombia, a project aiming to raise environmental awareness by organising workshops in schools, I led 30 volunteers from 16 countries and my understanding of diverse countries and cultures made me an agile leader.

My international mindset is reflected in my globalist environmental approach. The complexity of environmental issues such as marine pollution or climate change necessitates international cooperation. My intercultural skills, paired with the training from this programme, will enable me to shape environmental policy that effectively combats global environmental problems.

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Even though I lived most of my life in a small Austrian village surrounded by insular thinking, I have always enjoyed exploring.

International experience shaped my personality. I have also used this interest in working environments. As head at Let’s Do It in Colombia, a project aiming to raise environmental awareness by organising workshops in schools, I led 30 volunteers from 16 countries and my fascination for intercultural XXX arose. I have been to 65 countries and learned Spanish, French, English and German fluently, so, I consider myself as genuinely cosmopolitan.

I soon realised that environmental pollution was hardly a priority in impoverished neighbourhoods. So, I decided to leverage the diversity of the team and volunteers shared stories about environmental problems in their home. Since most pupils have never left their hometown, these insights into the wider world and effects from environmental degradation were fascinating to them and they became interested in learning more about environmental protection.

As an intern at the United Nations Environment Finance Initiative, I assessed the economic impact of environmental problems. Working in communications, I had the goal to inform financial institutions about the implications of climate change. To do so, I utilised a wide range of material - for example, UNEP FI and University of Cambridge’s joint publication “XX” - to research the effects of climate [change] on economic development and financial stability and then wrote concise messages for banks, insurance and investment companies. This sparked my interest in how environmental problems affect the global economic system, and I am excited to elaborate this interest through this programme.

During my work at the World Meteorological Organization, I applied analytical thinking to communicate scientific information to a wider audience. To illustrate, I extracted the most important points from important meteorlogical concepts and wrote easy-to-understand website content for the WMO website.

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I have seen the difficulties of accommodating interests from multiple representatives when setting the programme for multilateral decision-making.

The Environmental Policy programme will teach me about international environmental regulation, so I could deepen my understanding of how compromises in international policy design have been reached.

My sincere interest in the MPhil in Environmental Policy is founded in three reasons. First, the course aim to foster an international approach to common problems is strongly aligned with my desire/enthusiasm for to tackle(ing) environmental challenges on a global level. Second, the multidisciplinary environment of the course allows me to leverage my broad experience from business, politics, academia and international organizations. Lastly, the provided training in legal and economic concepts of environmental policy will equip me with the necessary skills to pursue a career at/in an international environmental organization such as UN Environment (UNEP).

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be able to identify and overcome difficulties of cooperation in my future career.

is crucial to design effective international environmental policy, and I strongly believe that this course is ideal to gain this understanding.

I have seen the dynamics of multilateral cooperation when setting the playground for policy-making. Studying international environmental law and the principals it is embedded in will teach me the legal framework of international environmental cooperation.

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I have gained experience in multiple disciplines – from work experience in at the European Parliament or at the Logistics Institute at National University of Singapore to an undergraduate degree in International Business – and decided only recently to pursue this desire.

Having experience in multiple disciplines, I decided during my internship at the United Nations to pursue a career in environmental policy.

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