



The Student Environment Centre

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Eco-Initiatives Form: \$100 to \$500

<p>Name:</p> <p>Date Submitted: October 3rd, 2017</p> <p>Contact Email or Phone:</p> <p>Club or Group Affiliation(s): British Columbia Council for International Cooperation (BCCIC)</p> <p>Amount Requested: \$490</p>			
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1. Please fill in the fields below to give us an overview of your project:

- **Name of Project:** United Nations Climate Change Conference Youth Delegate Sponsorship & Global Sustainable Development Advocacy (GSDA) Working Group
- **Objective or Purpose:** To represent the voices of UBC, BC and Canadian youth at the 23rd United Nations Climate Change Conference (UNCCC) by advocating for their preferred and facilitate knowledge-translation to UBC students upon returning.
- **Brief Description:** I have been selected by the British Columbia Council for International Cooperation to represent BC's youth at COP23, this November in Bonn, Germany. I am also a speaker at the Conference of Youth (COY), which runs for 3 days, prior to COP. Upon arriving back to Vancouver, myself and 2 other UBC delegates plan to share our

experiences and knowledge with the UBC community through the establishment of the Global Sustainable Development Advocacy (GSDA) Working Group.

- Project Date(s): COY13 & COP23: Nov. 2nd – Nov. 17th, 2017
GSDA Working Group: Mar. 2018 – Onwards
- Expected Attendance: 5 UBC delegates to COP23; expecting 50-100 students at the GSDA working group launch event.

2. Outline how your project pertains to the environment and/or contributes to sustainability at UBC (approximately 200 words).

At COY13, I will be presenting my research, conducted with UBC professor William Nikolakis, which advocates for the broad establishment of Indigenous-led environmental stewardship programs as potential economic strategies for building resilient ecosystems and communities across the world. At COP23, I will form part of BCCIC's official delegation. My activities will include: Attending and reporting on negotiation meetings; meeting with other civil societies, country delegates, and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) current and incoming presidency; preparing daily dispatches of meeting and networking experiences (blog posts, tweets and op-eds available to the public, including UBC students); building networking relations with the other Youth Delegates to carry out future initiatives; and working with other youth non-stakeholder actors (NSAs) to increase the priority placed on youth issues by the Canadian government as well as by other Member States.

With respect to UBC, fellow UBC delegates Keila Stark, Verna Yam and I, felt that it was important to involve our UBC peers in this experience as much as possible. Therefore, in addition to the open consultation process that we are holding until our departure, we decided to create the GSDA working group to disseminate any knowledge we gain in Germany. The group will act as a hub that creates linkages amongst existing clubs and students at UBC who may already be engaged in forwarding different SDGs, in addition to organizing speakers, capacity-building workshops and other events. Primarily based out of the Global Lounge, it will act as a centre for collaboration and knowledge-sharing (such as our insights from the UN Climate Change Conference), to ultimately forward climate action and the other SDGs at UBC.

3. Are you pursuing any other sources of funding? If so, what are those sources, how much are you expecting to receive from them, and what will those funds be put toward? (We can help you identify other sources of funding.)

Yes. The following budget provides a breakdown of all associated costs, as well as the other sources of funding that I am pursuing, and have acquired:

Donor Name	Item	Expense of Item	Funding Received (confirmed/pending)
Vancouver School of Economics Undergraduate Society (VSEUS)	Roundtrip airfare from Vancouver to Frankfurt (paying for ½)	\$500	Confirmed
Arts Undergraduate Society (AUS)	Roundtrip airfare from Vancouver to Frankfurt (paying for ½)	\$500	Confirmed
Global Fund	Train tickets to and from Frankfurt and Bonn; Transportation costs within Bonn region, from Nov. 1-19; COY13 AirBnB Accommodation from Nov. 1-5; COP23 AirBnB Accommodation from Nov. 5-12	\$1000	Pending
SEC	YMCA Youth hostel ("Camp Climate") and AirBnB: COP23 Accommodation from Nov. 12-18	\$450	Pending
SEC	Conference of Youth (COY13) Registration costs	\$40	Pending
Total:		\$2490	

4. What aspect(s) of your project will SEC funding be used for? Be as specific as possible with the allocation of funds.

SEC funding will go towards my week 2 accommodation costs (which will be at a YMCA sponsored youth hostel, designated specifically for youth delegates to COP23), and for my COY registration fees.

I am requesting funding for these items because my sponsoring organization, the British Columbia Council for International Cooperation, is a registered Canadian charity, and is limited in its budgetary ability to help pay for the travel costs of delegates. By securing funds from SEC, I will be able to successfully pay for the

trip, and later disseminate conference learnings to the broader UBC student body upon returning.

With regards to funding needed for the GSDA working group, fellow delegates Keila and Verna have applied to separate grants to fund any logistical costs associated with it, which is why I have not included it in my budget.