

Olivia
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Perspektiv

Finding a Better Way

Sustainability Consultant

PROFILE

Olivia is an organised and outgoing individual who adores teamwork. Her drive to regenerate the planet has motivated the sustainable attitude she carries today. Knowledge accumulated through a Bachelor of Environment and Society, Permaculture focused volunteering both locally and internationally and Peer Mentoring on Social Research has affirmed her sustainability focused vocational goals.

SIGNIFICANT ROLES

SUSTAINABILITY CONSULTANT Perspektiv - 2022

Main Responsibilities:

- Apply the principles of sustainable development to drive organisational and business excellence on behalf of Perspektiv and its clients.
- Be an agent for positive change and help humanity achieve the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals.
- Deliver sustainability advice and products within allocated budgets and time frames.
- Ensure sustainability advice and products are high quality and fit for purpose.
- Oversee day to day management of sustainability frameworks on behalf of organisations and projects, ensuring suitable collaboration and integration.
- Engage stakeholders and increase their awareness of relevant sustainability issues to empower others.
- Assist clients to achieve sustainable outcomes in the design and construction of state infrastructure projects using ISC rating scheme.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE & RESEARCH

INTERN - IDEP Foundation - 2020

- Conducted research on disaster prevention, community-based adaption, and climate change resilience for grant applications. Augmented knowledge on short and long term land management and disaster prevention planning.
- Empowered farmers and residents of disaster-prone areas through circular education and planning. Observed how land regeneration, biogas installation, seed saving and crop rotation increased income streams, which improved self sufficiency, food security as well as community spirit.
- Created social media content for the conservation operation, The Bali Water Project.
- Composed reports on the roles of women in agriculture and presented a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) report for an upcoming outdoor education program.

CLIENT BASED RESEARCH - Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning Future Foreshores Project - 2020

- Presented at workshops which intended to improve resourcefulness and educational plans by DEWLP for building community resilience and self-sufficiency by Committees of Management to improve direct service and policy input.
- Researched, collaborated and analysed data from surveys, interviews and coastal asset inventories for a report, including a literature review on tools for effective coastal committees of management.
- Created and organised plans, google docs, sheets and folders for our team for seamless transition to online collaboration.

VOLUNTEER - Permaculture Principles

- Use of permaculture principles for vision creation, planning, establishment and evaluation of for designing, implementing and collaborating on projects in Bulgaria, Morocco, Bolivia, Colombia and at CERES in Melbourne. Learned and engaged in regenerative agriculture practices including organic pesticide use, crop rotation and closed-culture growing.

Education & Qualifications

2022

Infrastructure Sustainability Accredited Professional (ISAP)
Pending

2020

Agriculture Practicum
IPB University, Indonesia

2016-2020

Bachelor of Environment and Society RMIT University

2019

Peer Mentor for international students in 2020 and for Foundations for Social Research - RMIT University



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Featured Projects

+ Monash Freeway

+ Climate change resilience and permaculture - IDEP Foundation

+ Foreshore Infrastructure Assets- Research conducted alongside DEWLP