

NWAEZE JOY

Program Officer and Development Specialist

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EXPERIENCE

Global Co-Coordinator

UNESCO

06/2020 - 01/2024 Paris, France

- I served for 3 years as the global co-lead of UNESCO's Youth Climate Action Network (YoU-CAN) ad hoc team, driving the development of effective climate policies and programs to significantly increase UNESCO's impact on youth.
- Developed the constitution, governance document, operations, recruited for, and launched the first UNESCO youth umbrella network of networks together with my team for UNESCO YoU-CAN.
- Led a team of 15 youth climate experts to synthesise conversations on youth climate engagement at the Dubai Expo 2020, World Young Scientist Summit 2023, UNESCO ESD, ASPnet School Leaders summit
- Developed the first ever UNESCO Greening Education Curriculum guide in a bid to include climate change into the curriculum globally

Project name	Description
UNESCO Youth Climate Action Network	Ad-hoc Steering Committee Coordinator

Customer Service Administrator

Select Car Leasing (SCL)

03/2022 - 07/2022 UK

- Part of the team of the UK largest car leasing company using technology as a tool to review customer orders
- Offering top notch customer service, ensuring customer satisfaction.
- Attending to average 100+ customers daily to find the best offer across SCL businesses

Description
Acted as Sales Administrator which included Administrative and People Relations Expertise

Global Youth Trainer

UNESCO

12/2020 - Present Location

- 1 of 12 UNESCO official global youth trainers from an application pool of over 5000 applicants
- Work with UNESCO Headquarters, regional and national offices around the world to develop and implement youth focused training
- Co-deliver meaningful youth engagement to multilateral organizations staff including UNESCO staff

Project name	Description
UNESCO Youth Trainer	Ideate, Organise, and Facilitate Meaningful Youth Engagement Trainings in Low and Middle Income Countries.

SUMMARY

Joy is a seasoned program coordinator and public speaker with a strong background in developmental work, particularly environment and sustainability with global coordination and operations. Her expertise the past 6 years lies in sustainability, program management, business development, people management, and ESG advisory. Notable highlights of her career include an invitation to contribute to Germany foreign feminist climate development policy for the global south. More to this, contributing to create the first UNESCO Greening Education Curriculum guide disseminated globally, successfully managing over 5000 tons of waste, and founding a thriving youth-led movement that has made a positive impact on over 8,000 young people and 40 brands worldwide. Joy partnered with a global unicorn and secured over \$4000 in funding and implemented the projects in Africa. Joy is now eager to bring her coordination and administration skills to a new role where she can support the seamless delivery of activities and mitigation schemes while aligning with the company's objectives. In her free time, Joy is a self-taught web developer, passionately coding and creating innovative mobile and web-based platforms.

SKILLS

Expert Public Speaker Program Management

Global Jury Volunteer Management

Recruitment Sustainability Partnerships

Development HTML Business Strategy

CSS Youth Engagement Environment

Stakeholder Management Coordination

EXPERIENCE

Executive Assistant and Partnerships Alliance Officer

Partnerships Lead

01/2020 - 01/2022 Location

- Drove the expansion of Mottainai's business services and partnerships to include government and estate clients
- Managed operations that included waste management, recycling facilities, and synthesising customer feedback to improve services
- Led Mottainai's zero carbon footprint strategy and its commitment to minimise emissions levels
- Initiated and led the company's first Ambassador program to engage youth and advocate for climate action
- Effectively managed over 5000 tons of commercial and household waste with the team

Project name	Description
Partnerships Alliance Officer	Set the Mottainai youth and partnership program's strategy and direction based on my research and analysis in Ibadan.

Founder

Africa Upcycle Community

01/2021 - Present Africa

- Founded the first youth-led movement in Africa targeting the transition of children, young people and brands into sustainability including recycling, upcycling, climate education and sustainability
- In three years, and with support of 25 volunteers, our movement has worked with over 40 brands across the world
- Engaged 8000 young people and 5 climate-risk communities in different locations across the world
- Aiming to reach 4000 more young people in the next 18 months

Project name	Description
Climate Action in low income countries	Developed strategies for climate action and projects including tree planting, advocacy, solar lightups and education for young and middle aged people while partnering with the government

Associate

Social Media Week

01/2019 - 01/2020 Africa

- NXT associate at Social Media Week supporting over 12,000 participants
- Supported 450 speakers across over 600 sessions
- Facilitated discussions on Africa's future in global technology, governance, development, creative arts and education
- Contributed to HUMAN.X focusing on a human-first and experience-driven approach to innovation across industries, communities, and the continent

Project name
Africa Nxt Associate

Lagos Team Lead

REES Africa

01/2018 - 01/2020 Lagos

- Responsible for execution of climate change advocacy related projects in Lagos.
- Impact in over 11 communities and reaching about 8000 families with no access to grid with solar powered electricity and household items
- Continual engagement and capacity development of volunteers to lead on climate change advocacy
- Ideation and implementation of climate change projects

Description
Ideated and implemented Climate Action Projects with volunteers

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



Your Achievement

One of 5 Global jury to participate in nominating the awardees of the UNESCO x SEVENTEEN youth grant scheme

Expert Public Speaker at UNESCO Global Education Meeting, German Bundestag (Parliament 2024), Dubai Expo 2020, WYSS China (to over 700 Chinese students - 2023)

Contributed to the development of Germany feminist climate policy for the Global South (October, 2024).

Co-ordinator at UNESCO YoU-CAN, led a team of 15 young people globally to set up and operationalise the network with our own analysis while ensuring inclusivity.

Contributed to UNESCO Global Greening Education Curriculum which is now widely adopted in countries around the world (November, 2024).

Raised 4000 USD to support climate advocacy projects for Africa Upcycle Community in 3 years

Advocated and developed programs in low income countries for over 6 years and reached over 10,000 young people

CERTIFICATIONS

[Chartered Management Institute:- Strategic Management and Leadership Practice \(CMI level 7\)](#)

PASSIONS



Helping Others while Creating and sustaining change for a better world

LANGUAGES

English Native ●●●●●
French Intermediate ●●●●●
Portuguese Beginner ●●●●●

EDUCATION

M.Sc International Business Management and Corporate Social Responsibility

[Oxford Brookes University](#)

 Oxford, United Kingdom

- Merit (Distinction in Dissertation)

BA, Religious studies

[Delta State University](#)

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GPA

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- Second class Upper

Diploma, Sustainable Waste Management

[Lagos Business School](#)

Diploma, Business Development and Strategy, Enterprise Development Centre

[Pan-Atlantic University](#)