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PROFILE

International Master's student in Environmental Policy and Law with a background in International Law and Diplomacy, student association leadership since 2018 (council office, welfare committee, class presidency), and several years of project management in technology and non-profit settings. I am applying to serve on the ISYY board to make international students feel at home and to bring students of all cultures together through culturally tailored inclusive activities.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND ORGANISING

Member of the Organising Team · UEF GLOW Project – Autumn Zen programme, Joensuu *28 Oct 2026*

President, Graduating Class · Redemption Chapel, Babcock University (BU), Nigeria *2022*

Sergeant-at-Arms · International Law and Diplomacy Student Association (ILDSA), BU *2019/2020*

- Kept order at council meetings and kept discussions in line with each meeting's agenda.

Member, Welfare Committee · ILDSA, BU *2018 – 2022*

- Helped organise student activities, seminars and conferences.

Certificate (GLOW Project), plaque (ILDSA Sergeant-at-Arms) and certificate (Graduating Class President) available on request.

EDUCATION

MSc, Environmental Policy and Law (Master's Degree Programme) · UEF, Joensuu *Aug 2026 – expected 2028*

B.Sc. International Law and Diplomacy · Babcock University, Nigeria *Aug 2018 – May 2022*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Product Manager & Project Manager (Founding Team) · HomeSafe Technologies, Lagos *Oct 2024 – Present*

- First product and project person in the founding team of a two-sided marketplace connecting domestic and professional service workers with homeowners and institutions; also business development.

Business Development / Media Marketing Manager · Martin Doks Homes, Lekki (remote) *Sep 2024 – Aug 2025*

Product Manager (contract) · C.I Finesser, Lagos *Nov 2023 – Dec 2024*

- Founding member of the product team; PRD review, design-to-PRD alignment, media and marketing projects, including SynergyCon 1.0.

Project Manager (Mobile Application); Marketing Team (contract) · Baay Projects, Lagos *Oct 2022 – Apr 2023*

VOLUNTEERING

Project Manager (since 2023); involved since 2020 · The Pearl Foundation (TPF) *2020 – Present*

- Non-profit supporting teenage mothers and children under 15. Projects include "Pad a Girl", which distributed sanitary pads and hygiene supplies to over 300 girls, and "Santa Comes to Town", which gave school supplies to children under 12 and scholarships to students in need.

SKILLS

- Representation and negotiation (diplomacy training; student association leadership)
- Project management: timelines, stakeholders, cross-functional teams
- Legal and policy research; written communication

LANGUAGES

English; French; Finnish (learning)