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# GG ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



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# A letter from our Chairman



Dear Alumni,

I am thrilled and honored to reintroduce the GG Alumni Newsletter under the new two-year mandate of our board of directors. It will serve as a platform to connect and engage with our diverse community of Alumni, fostering a sense of belonging and collaboration.

I witnessed the power of this Newsletter in sharing valuable insights, updates, and opportunities with our alumni network. Now, as we relaunch this initiative, we are committed to enhancing its impact and relevance.

The Alumni Association Newsletter will continue to showcase the achievements of our Alumni, share upcoming events, highlight career opportunities, and feature insightful interviews. Our aim is to strengthen the bonds within our community and empower each member to thrive in their respective endeavors.

I extend my deepest gratitude to all those who have contributed to this project, and I am excited to witness the continued growth and success of our newsletter under the stewardship of our new board. As we move forward, I encourage you to actively engage with the newsletter and seize the opportunities it presents.

Please send in your news to [alumni.globalgovernanceba@gmail.com](mailto:alumni.globalgovernanceba@gmail.com)

Together, let us uphold the spirit and passion of our community, and continue to strengthen the bonds that unite us, let us inspire and support one another as we navigate the ever-evolving landscape of Global Governance.

Warm regards,

**Daniele Nardis**  
*Chairman, Alumni Association*



# A Call to Action: Help Preserve Our Graduation Tradition

Dear GG community, alumni, and friends,

Last year, we faced a daunting challenge: insufficient funds threatened to derail our beloved **Graduation Ceremony at Villa Mondragone**.

But, thanks to your incredible support, we rallied and celebrated our graduates in style!

The thought of denying our graduates the magic of Villa Mondragone is heart-wrenching. But, GG students are resilient souls, and it's time to show that same resilience once more.

We're launching a fundraising campaign for our 2024 graduates.

**Your contribution, big or small, will make a world of difference.**

**Let's ensure that this year's graduates have a celebration they'll cherish forever.**

Join us in preserving our sacred tradition.

**[Donate now!](#)**

Let's keep the spirit of Villa Mondragone burning bright for generations to come!

**Thank you for your unwavering dedication to our Global Governance community.**

Warm regards,

*Global Governance Alumni Association*



## News



# Lunch with Ambassador Giampiero Massolo

Mark your calendars because on the **24th of June** we are organizing **FOR ALUMNI ONLY** a closed door lunch with Ambassador Giampiero Massolo. We are still looking for a suitable venue/restaurant, but we can already tell you it will be in Rome and close to a Metro station.

**If you are interested in this opportunity  
please fill in this short form ASAP**

Please note that there will be a **reasonable participation fee** to cover the cost of the lunch, **limited spots** and a **chance to network** with both the Ambassador and your peers of different GG eras.



# Where are our Alumni?

We are collecting **Alumni placement data** via the **first annual survey for the A.Y. 2023/2024**.

Alumni placement data is critical for the ongoing **visibility** and **success** of Global Governance B.A. and of its Alumni community, so **your support is crucial!**

We will use Alumni placement data to:

- **Better organize** activities and initiatives for GG students and Alumni
- **Strengthen the Alumni network** via our website and social media
- **Help the promotion** of the course

We will process your data in accordance with the GDPR data protection law.

**Please find the form [here](#).**

For more information, contact us at **[alumni.globalgovernanceba@gmail.com](mailto:alumni.globalgovernanceba@gmail.com)**



# Get to know our Alumni

## What did you do after graduating in Global Governance?

After two months of engaging in Global Governance, I took some time to rest before starting my paid internship at Universal Education Company in the United States. During this period, I've been exploring and traveling across the country. Following this experience, I transitioned into my role as an international consultant for ME&A, where I evaluate program grants for USAID in the Kyrgyz Republic.



**Khilola Iakubzhanova**  
Kyrgyzstan  
GG 2021

## Why did you choose this specific Master Program?

After graduation, I wanted to take some time to enhance my profile and gain more working experience. I also wanted to determine whether public policy was the field I wanted to continue pursuing. After much preparation and consideration, I decided to apply to Cornell University, one of the Ivy League institutions and a top university globally.

I chose to pursue a Masters in Public Administration at Cornell because I genuinely believe that I can make a significant impact on the world through this field. The program's reputation for excellence, along with its rigorous curriculum and opportunities for practical experience, convinced me that it was the ideal environment for me to further develop my skills and knowledge in public policy.



**What are your future professional goals?**

"My main goal is to work at the United Nations for the Evaluation Team of International Programs. That is the primary reason why I moved to New York and began my academic journey at Cornell University. Currently, I am taking classes such as 'Evaluation of International Programs and Projects'."



**Carlo Tritto**  
*Italy*  
GG 2018

**What did you do after graduating in Global Governance?**

After graduating from Global Governance in 2018 with a thesis on renewable energy and the green transition, I did a six-month internship in Motus-E, an organization that brings together major companies of the energy and automotive sector in Italy that are interested in accelerating the uptake of electric mobility. After that, I took 4 months off to do some traveling and soul searching.



Then I came back to do a Master in Global Environmental Economics at the University of Galway, Ireland. There I deepened my knowledge in economics and in subjects related to climate change management and to all those tools, both technological and economical, to be able to propose viable alternative solutions to switch the economies towards zero-emissions and climate-compatible development.

While studying, I was able to strengthen communication with Transport and Environment (T&E), where I have been working for almost 4 years now as a Policy Officer for the Italian Office.

T&E is the main European environmental organization that deals with policies related to the decarbonization of transport. To give you an example, T&E is the organization that -in 2015- exposed the "DieselGate" scandal at European level and has stood behind important policies such as the "2035-phase out of internal combustion vehicles' sales".

It is an organization that aims to regulate the big industries, pushing these to change their business models towards climate action. This implies exposing and pressuring polluting businesses, asking for regulatory change that follows the polluters-pay-principle (as green taxation) and, eventually, convincing them to bringing at sufficient time and scale products in the market that enable citizens and consumers to do their part.

### **Why did you choose to work in this particular field?**

I have always longed to have a tangible positive impact on the world, something I have also developed by talking to my fellow students at university and to many of my amazing GG professors, and it felt right to do so by contributing to the fight against climate change.

I think my country in particular, where big oil interests remain very much present, really has some heavy lifting to do in this field.



**How has GG contributed to your professional and personal development?**

GG really helped me shape my professional and personal development first and foremost through its method.

A method, which was already innovative at the time I joined the program and almost unique for Italy, that is truly horizontal and open to the most diverse set of topics, and this really came in handy, especially in my sector.

Because something like finding a solution to the decarbonization of transportation is certainly not an easy task!

On one hand because of the (old fashioned) dichotomy that opposes economic development to climate action and on the other hand because of a dynamic that touches on people's mobility needs and to which, therefore, we need to find wise and gradual ways of intervention, to avoid backleashing of policies.

Complex problems require complex processes and, in that sense, the heterogeneity of topics addressed at GG, and the mindset that I developed by studying them, lead you to make an effort to always have a systemic view.



# Upcoming Events

## Life of a Graduate

This is an event organized by us to provide current GG generations with insights into **post-graduate life**. Tailored for **all majors**, this event offers the opportunity to gain **valuable perspectives** from accomplished Alumni.



Political Sciences, History and Law



Science and Technology



Economics and Philosophy



Faculty of Economics  
Univ. of Rome Tor Vergata



14:00 - 16:00

### Alumni:

- Eliana **Adinolfi**
- Mattia **Albanese**
- Cristina **Bottoni**
- Benedetta **Conte**
- Luca **Gambelli**
- Shahmar **Hasanov**
- Giordano **Margaglio**
- Sadeen **Qardan**
- Matteo **Sarcinella**
- Tommaso **Subioli**
- Isidora **Yli**



## Networking lunch with Ambassador Massolo



*More info on specific location soon.  
Limited spots available!*

[RSVP here](#)

## Graduation Ceremony Class of 2024



Villa Mondragone  
Monte Porzio Catone,  
Frascati (IT)



17:30

# Editor's note

Dear Alumni,  
GG community,  
and friends,

It is with great excitement that we launch the second edition of our newsletter project, marking a significant milestone for our Alumni Association. We are thrilled to reconnect with each of you, especially as our family continues to expand with each new graduating class.

This year is particularly significant, as our alumni cohort surpasses the number of current GG students for the first time!

This means there is also growing responsibility we hold in preserving GG's legacy through our actions.



In the end, if we have not made our life choices the way we have done so, our paths may have unfolded quite differently. This thought warms my heart, and I hope it serves as a kind reminder for you too.

Stay well.  
Warm regards,

**Esra Selin Cinar**  
*Councillor and Co-Secretary, Alumni  
Association*



# We need you!

Our Alumni association newsletter will be published on a trimestral basis.

Your suggestions for content in the next edition are highly valued—please feel free to reach out. We eagerly welcome **your updates, feedback, and collaboration proposals**. Until next time, stay well!

Write to us at [alumni.globalgovernanceba@gmail.com](mailto:alumni.globalgovernanceba@gmail.com)

Warm regards,

*Global Governance Alumni Association*



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