Keep in touch kit

A lifelong membership

You are the Alumni network!
Learn how to take part
**Who are oikos Alumni?**

An alumnus/alumna is an individual who was actively involved in *oikos chapters matters* for at least a semester, an oikos PhD fellow or an employee of any oikos organization, still sharing oikos values.

Even though alumni split from their chapter, common history and interest in sustainability provide a bond that lasts long beyond their university years. They are active across the world in business, government, NGOs, and academia.

Alumni are:

- **Students** (i.e. oikees who have left their local chapter after their bachelor/master studies and not involved in oikos during master studies/ PhD studies due to lack of time or lack of local chapter in close proximity)

- **Professionals** (i.e. oikees who have entered professional life; with jobs close, loose or with no connection to the topic of sustainability)

**oikos Values**

- **RESPECT**
- **INTEGRITY**
- **ACCOUNTABILITY**
- **OPENNESS**

**How do Alumni support oikos mission?**

- Alumni increase awareness for sustainability opportunities and challenges;

- Alumni have the knowledge, social intelligence and practical skills to set an example in sustainability. They do it through their responsible and impactful actions by being proactive and analyzing both situations and stakeholders before acting;

- Alumni foster their ability to implement and facilitate sustainability-driven innovation;

- Alumni pursue the support of oikos mission beyond university through their experience and network;

- Alumni create institutional support for these learning processes.
The road to a sustainable future is a long one and we want oikees to stick to it even after graduation. This road we also can’t take alone, and that’s why as an Alumni you can count on our support, as creating a sustainable world of tomorrow is a collective effort. A strong, active and a vibrant Alumni community to rely on is also a vital part of oikos as a student-led organization. Therefore we strive to make the engagement opportunities which are beneficial for both Alumni and the active community.

We want our Alumni to be able to achieve personal growth, seize new personal and professional opportunities, expand their experience and knowledge through active engagement as a part of oikos Community. At the same time you have the chance to give back to the community by providing support and guidance to oikos members. As a locally based alumnus/alumna, you are best suited to create events in your area. Get in touch with us, let us know what you want to do, and we will support you along the way.

- As a principle, any Alumni initiative that shares the oikos values and mission is supported by oikos International -
Your opportunities for engagement

Open opportunities are shared regularly on the alumni communication channels and you can contact us directly for clarification.

**Working groups (WG)**

join an oikos International WG (linked to a domain) to contribute with your experience to help oikos grow & become more impactful

**Alumni Ambassador**

initiate Alumni gathering in your region, initiate the content and alumni network dynamic you want to see in your region

**Alumni meetings**

e.g. Join an online Alumni Weekend, or Alumni Regional meetings set by alumni ambassadors

**Chapter (online) events**

join events on different sustainability related topics organized by local oikos chapters

**International conferences**

join online/onsite oikos International events e.g. Spring Meeting, FutureLab, Regional meetings, etc.

**Thematic layer**

discuss and exchange knowledge from various fields by joining a squad composed of oikos Community members

**Speaker**

be a speaker in our International events or for Local Chapters projects

**Chapter Coach**

become a coach for any chapter, as part of the Leadership (LEAP) Chapter Track

**Alumni Portrait**

be featured on our Website and monthly Newsletter

**Chapter support**

support the oikos International team to get a chapter off the ground

**Alumni Impact**

share with us the the impact you are making through your business, career or lifestyle

**Expertise support**

support the oikos International team with your expertise and experience in Communication, Marketing, IT, etc

**Advisor in chapter / oI**

advise local chapter, suggest someone for oikos International

**Network opportunities**

interact and share with oikos community your events, job offers, internships, partnerships
Your way to oikos Alumni network

How can you connect?
- oikos Alumni webpage
- alumni@oikos-international.org
- Group “oikos Alumni”
- Group “oikos Alumni”

Where to get regular updates about oikos activities?
- Check out our oikos monthly Newsletter.
  Subscribe to Newsletter here.

Where to connect locally on social media?
- Facebook groups (chapters)
  - oikos St. Gallen Alumni
  - oikos Brussels Alumni
  - oikos Lausanne Alumni
  - oikos Lille intergénérationnel
- Facebook groups (regions)
  - oikos Americas-UK Region
  - oikos Asia
  - oikos Alumni South West European region
- LinkedIn
  - oikos Copenhagen

What do alumni say?

Saurav Kumar Das, oikos Jamshedpur
My journey with oikos has been a momentous one and has helped me become a better individual in both personal and professional domains. In essence, the experience that I've gained through the oikos community over the years is a part of my core identity as an organizational development professional.

Renée Horster, oikos St. Andrews
Many of the experiences I had through oikos have helped me along the way and continue to do so. I often feel that might be the biggest strength of oikos: It invites young people in, helps them to deepen their interests and allows them to experience that, with a strong community to support you, there are ways to make a difference.

Axel Bozier, oikos Reims
The community of oikees has provided me with infinite inspiration and energy since I joined oikos. I am still very excited to be involved in the organization as an Alumnus since the values that drive us at oikos should not be forgotten once we embrace a career. Sharing the knowledge and passion is important to me, and I would be happy to mentor the new generations of oikees.