



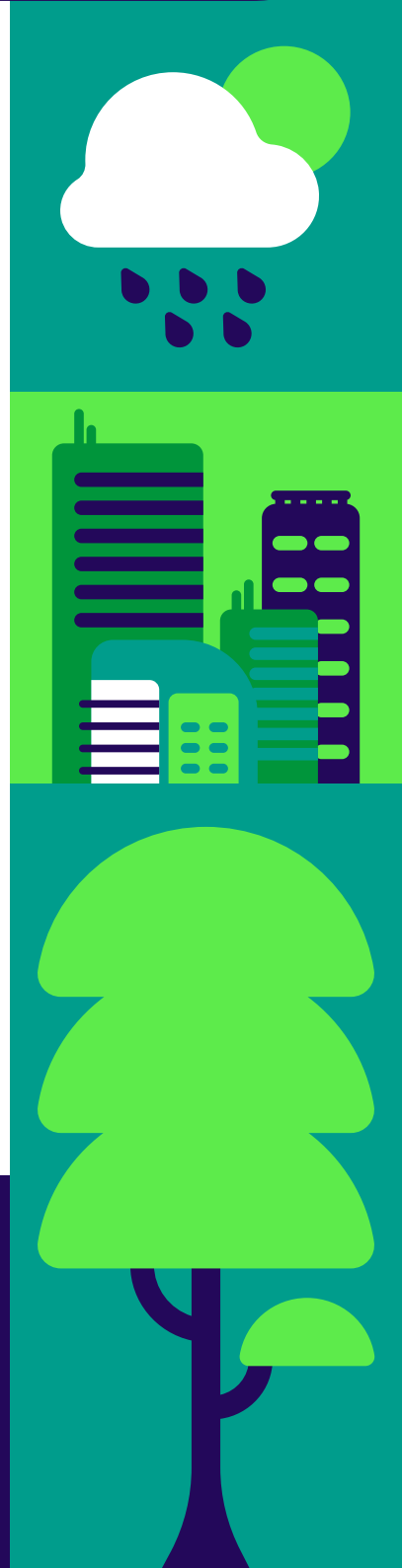
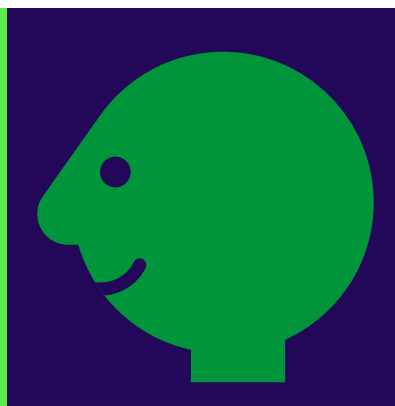
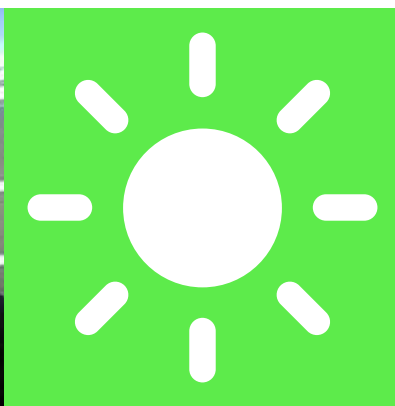
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Green careers guide

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My story on importance of green jobs with British council

What did you study?

I studied Environmental Technology at the University of Hull, UK.

What inspired you to study your subject at university and to work in the green industries?

The needs to sustain my passion for environmental sustainability, sustainable development, integrated wastes management option and to foster for a sustainable National & International Climate Change Adaptation and mitigation strategies with communities localisation in Nigeria and Africa at Large inspired me to study the subject matter I mentioned above and gave me passion to proactively pursue green jobs and to work in green industries and NGOs.

Why does climate change matter?

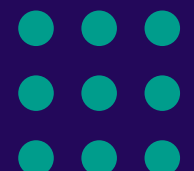
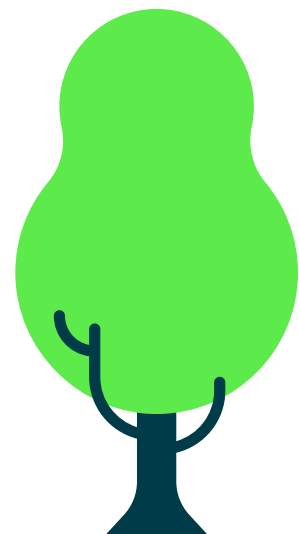
Climate change matters because of his devastating effect on people livelihood security, human health, environmental system, economic progression and social life. It triggers devastating effect of environmental degradation, disaster, drought, deforestation, flooding which resulted in social, environmental and economic impact.

Climate change is a continuing change in the weather patterns for a long-time which define the earth's local, regional and global climates patterns. As heat trapping CO2 builds up in the atmosphere, it leads to a warming of the climate, provoking changes around the world in the atmosphere, land, and oceans. An IPCC Special Report defines climate risk as the likelihood of unfavourable impacts occurring

as a result of severe climate events interacting with vulnerable environmental, social, economic, political or cultural conditions (Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation (ipcc.ch).

How did your studies help you get into the career you're in today?

My studies helped me created a pathway that makes me an exceptional talent in the field of Environmental Solutions Specialist. The knowledge gained during my studies created a platform for me to easily adapted and increase my knowledge in area of Climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies, sustainable wastes management practice, Environmental safeguard and management system, Project and data management and Environmental and safeguard impact assessment. All these have engineered me into the career in which I'm in today. I'm been motivated every day to reach the peak of my career with all these inbuilt environmental traits deposited in me by the knowledge and experience gained in course of my studies and career pathway.





What other experiences and support have you had along the way?

I have gained experienced in Project and data management, leadership skill, advanced my communication skill, pro-activeness and team spirit during the course of my personal development and training.

What do you do now – what does your role involve?

I work as an Environmental Project Specialist: working on Environmental sustainability, integrated wastes management awareness, Climate change Adaptation and Mitigation in Niger Delta states and Nigeria at Large

What exciting projects have you been involved in?

I'm working on a project which is on sensitising and forming the mind of youths, local people, market woman, farmers and government on the need to embrace and promote green job as livelihood option to enhance the livelihood security of local people in Niger Delta of Nigeria which their livelihood have been affected by the effect climate change, oil spills and pipeline vandalism in the region. My team and organisation have engaged the people of Niger Delta through environmental awareness/education and sensitisation on the need to protect and safeguard their environment from environmental degradation arising from oil spill, deforestation, kpor fire and indiscriminate dumping of waste.

Do you have any tips for people looking to pursue a career in your sector?

My tips for them are to remain focus, proactive, dogmatic, open to environmental education, volunteerism and awareness.

Pictures

Group Photograph of participants at MOSOP Community Sensitisation on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Policy at BUAN, Khana, LGA on 01/09/2020, sponsored by Environmental Centre for Oil Spills and Gas Flaring in Niger Delta aka NACGOND and Funded by Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.





Abiola Talabi; NACGOND representative sensitizing the community members about climate change Adaptation



Abiola Talabi educating the community representative and responded to the questions raised during the Sensitization and Evaluation Meeting on National Climate change policy Adaptation and mitigation strategies, held on 26th November, 2020 at Owaza Community Town Hall, Ukwa West LGA, Abia State, supported by NACGOND and sponsors by Dutch Embassy.



Cross Section of Participants at KEBETKACHE Sensitisation and Evaluation Meeting on National Climate change policy Adaptation and mitigation strategies, held on 24th November, 2020 at UkpeneKang Town Hall, Ibeno, LGA, supported by NACGOND and sponsors by Dutch Embassy

