

HALF WAY THERE

A photograph of a person standing on the peak of a mountain. The mountain is covered in dry, brownish grass. In the background, a large, dark, and stormy cloud formation is visible, with a bright light source behind it, creating a dramatic silhouette effect. The sky is a pale, hazy blue.

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ABROAD: WHAT DO
THEY EXPERIENCE?

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PREFACE

It doesn't make
a difference if we
make it or not

~ Bon Jovi~

As we have made it through the first semester, we are now halfway through the academic year. The perfect time to reflect on being halfway there. It means no longer having the blank slate of starting something new, but also not having reached a definitive outcome yet. Being halfway there suggests a journey, whether it is literally or metaphorically. I think that thinking of being halfway makes you reflect on wherever you are in your journey, instead of just rushing to the finish line.

Some might immediately associate the words “halfway there” with the Bon Jovi song *Livin' on a Prayer*. My interpretation of the song fits perfectly with what I find inspiring about the concept of being halfway there. The song describes a couple that has to work hard to make ends meet, but seem to be appreciative of being halfway there. They might not be where they want to be yet, but the glass is half full. I think this positive outlook is one of the most important things while going on a (metaphorical) journey. If you only focus on your goal and do not appreciate the journey, I don't think you can live your happiest life.

In this magazine, we share our different ideas on being halfway there as well as other interesting topics. I hope you will find these ideas refreshing so that you can reflect on what being halfway there means to you.

Whatever journey you're on, enjoy being halfway there!

Hugo Kwaaitaal

Overshoot day: An oversight of countries

By Tessa van der Weide

July 29th. That was Earth Overshoot Day in 2019, the day we used all resources the Earth can regenerate in a year, and created more waste the Earth can manage in a year. July 29th, it doesn't sound that early. It is already halfway through the year, right? Taking into consideration that Overshoot Day was December 29th in 1970, it is an enormous step backwards. It means that in 2019, the ecological footprint, which is the amount of biologically productive land (given in gha) needed for consumption behaviour of the human population was so great that we have doubled the amount of Earths we need to live sustainably. The question is, how does each individual nation contribute to this? Could we learn from one another? Using the available data from 2016, here are the Overshoot Days of a variety of countries.

The Netherlands

Let's start off with the country Storm's home Utrecht lies in: the Netherlands. For this small nation next to the sea, Overshoot Day falls on May 4th. Therefore, if the world's population lives like the Netherlands, we need three earths for a balance in consumption, regeneration of resources and processing of waste. This is mostly the resultant of the Dutch carbon footprint of a little less than three gha, which is more than half of the total eco-

logical footprint of approximately five gha. Although energy production has become more efficient and sustainable since 2013, great amounts of energy are still derived from fossil fuels. As to the Dutch energy consumption: almost every adult has their own car, their own refrigerator, and their own mobile devices. The combination of fossil fuels as energy resources and the average energy consumption behaviour does inevitably lead to the great carbon footprint of the Dutch. In turn, this contributes to May 4th as Overshoot Day. Quite early, but it can be worse.

Qatar

If you thought the Netherlands had a bad energy consumption habit, you are hereby warned. Although its total emissions was lower than the Netherlands, Qatar's carbon emission was 37 tons per capita in 2016. The average Dutch inhabitant emitted three times less the amount, namely ten tons. Qatar's emissions are this enormous, due to its natural gas industry. 14% of all natural gas is stored in Qatar's reserves, so they make good use of this. They especially use it to provide themselves with energy, as almost all energy is produced domestically with natural gas. Qatar's carbon footprint is a great contributor to its ecological footprint of about fourteen gha. Unsurprisingly, Qatar has the first Over-

shoot Day to occur in the year. Merely one and a half month in, on February 11th, all of Earth's resources would be gone if everyone lived like the average Qatari.

Bolivia

Fortunately, not the whole world has such a huge ecological footprint as Qatar. Most countries have their Overshoot Day somewhere in between March and May, and many other countries have Overshoot Day halfway through the year. One of the latter nations is Bolivia, which lies in South America. July 6th is the time for the Bolivian people to be concerned about their rate of consumption. Fortunately, Bolivia has an enormous biocapacity due to its fair share of Amazon rainforest. There, thousands of plant and animal species thrive, providing a variety of renewable resources for the Bolivian population. In addition, the Amazon is able to absorb the carbon emissions of Bolivia for further transport within the carbon cycle. Although the average Bolivian consumption behaviour still causes humans to need two earths, at least Bolivia itself does not need to exploit its own resources.

Indonesia

A country which is barely exploiting its resources anyway, is Indonesia. Overshoot Day for this country is December 18th. Therefore Indonesia is extremely close to just needing one earth (if everyone would live like the average Indonesian). One explanation could be the country's poverty problem. In 2016, about ten percent of the Indonesian population had to live with 1\$ per capita/per day. It is imaginable that an Indonesian person cannot consume as much as a Qatari, Dutch, or Bolivian. However, as Indonesia has been battling

its poverty numbers for a while, Indonesian consumption is increasing. In 1980 the ecological footprint of Indonesia was 1.1 gha, now it has raised to 1.7 gha. So although the quality of life has increased, the pressures on Earth's capacity to regenerate resources have also increased.

Could Qatar's Overshoot Day fall in January someday? Will the ecological footprint of Indonesia keep rising? Is Earth Overshoot Day going to keep falling earlier in the year? Only one country acts almost within the limits of earth: Indonesia. But is this the result of poverty? If so, can other countries even follow Indonesia's example? These all are questions for concern, and their answers can be extremely confronting. Indeed, with Earth Overshoot Day on July 29th, we might want to start to #MoveTheDate right now.



MOVE UTRECHT

By Iris Theunis

In 2007, three members of student association Orca had the ambition to do something helpful for their neighborhood. They decided to contact children from a primary school nearby to organize a fun day. The intention of the students was to let less fortunate kids realize that they can, in fact, make a contribution to their environment. A foundation was born two years after that in 2009. Move, as the foundation is called, has grown into a thriving association in the meanwhile, with projects all over The Netherlands.

Among many other associations in Utrecht, Storm likes to participate in Move projects. This year, two groups of five students emerged from Storm to help set up a project with two classes of primary school 'Op de Groene Alm' in Leidsche Rijn, Utrecht. Leidsche Rijn is a relatively new residential area, and even though the municipality endeavored to create a modern, green and thriving district, many residents are less fortunate due to a migrant background or lack of money or education. As a result, kids growing up in this area may never experience what it is

like to go to university and to be a student, as their parents have had no involvement in this at all.

Therefore, 4 sessions are planned in which the students take over from the teacher for the midday. Together with the children, they try improving the near surrounding of the school by organizing a project day dedicated to nature. Each session builds on the previous one, taking place every other week with the exception of the last session. In the first meeting, the children and students get to know each other through playing games and asking questions. Furthermore, the students discover what the children already know about sustainability and nature.

During the second session, the children are divided into smaller groups in which they, along with a student supervisor, inspect the neighborhood. They wander around the area to establish what improvements could be made to make the neighborhood more nature friendly. After this, the children sit down in their group to make a mind map about

their findings, which are later on discussed with everyone. The students combine all mind maps and convert them to a top 3 of most improvable issues. In our case, the number one and two both involved the need for more plants and trees in the area, whereas the third option emphasized the importance of campaigning for solar panels. After the second session, the students decided on a concrete project: the construction of a tiny forest.



The third session is all about planning the project day and the festive ending that comes with it. The children take a test during which comes forward what type of person they resemble most closely. This way, the class is divided into the storytellers, the designers, the explorers and the planners. The explorers occupy themselves by determining what plants and trees can grow at their location of choice. Furthermore, they ask the municipality to approve of and support the plan. In the meantime, the storytellers are busy writing an invitation to family, friends

and neighbors, while the designers create the invitation itself. The storytellers also send an invitation with information about the project to the press. Lastly, the planners take care of the sponsors and balance the incoming money with the costs.

Between the third and final session on the primary school, the children also visit the university to experience the daily life of their teaching students. On this day, the children get a tour around the Uithof and a lecture on basic sustainability. This way, the children get a concrete idea of what it is like to go to university after finishing middle school. The aim of the visit is to motivate the children to pursue higher education, as it is possible that their near surroundings do not necessarily motivate them to do so.

The last session is all about the finalization of the project. On this day the children will carry out their plan to build a tiny forest with the help of their invited guests. Afterwards, the completion of the project will be celebrated with some drinks and snacks.

All in all, Move offers a unique experience to students as well as to the younger children. The enthusiasm of both sides is what made the project a true success. The tiny forest can be found in Leidsche Rijn and is open to visit. It even offers the opportunity to adopt your own plant or tree, which means that you can contribute to sustaining this much succeeded project!

Stormers Abroad



Some Stormers sharing their insights on going abroad.

Hi guys!

My name is Pien Brussel and I'm in my 3rd year of GSS. I'm currently studying in Valencia and I was asked to tell something about my experience here. To start with, Valencia is amazing, I'm having the best time here and have met many inspiring people. Due to the perfect weather, beach, people, culture and ability to have a lot of trips (thanks Erasmus money) my time has been unforgettable. Also, walking or biking through palm trees in the sun every day doesn't get old :)

University wise, I already knew about the lower level here. So I anticipated that by choosing a minor of 6 psychology courses and two Spanish language courses. Although this adds up to over 37,5 ECTS including third-year courses in a completely new academic field for me, the university system is not functioning that effectively. Currently, it is January, everyone is in the library for weeks, including me with 7 exams in 2 weeks, but during the rest of the time I think I have had to write 5 papers and 8 assignments, and that's it. Pretty inefficient. Looking back, I'm happy to have a full minor and a thorough understanding of a different but connecting field of research to sustainability, but I could also have learned all this information in three weeks library, not having spent half a year on it.

All in all, I can advise everyone to spend time abroad during this time of their lives even if it might not seem to be the most 'efficient' or 'productive' way of spending your time. Just make sure to have enough courses (or not). For personal development, I am sure everyone can learn so much from such an experience in ways they didn't expect before.



XXX Pien

Greetings from Valencia



Heee Stormers!

I'm writing ya'll from Edinburgh, Scotland. Now my term at University College London (or just UCL) is over, I have some time to explore the UK. Going on exchange in London is an experience I never would have wanted to miss out on. (for one of them I wrote a blog on water and gender in Africa, check it out if you like: <https://africaswaterwomen.blogspot.com/>) and modules on behaviour change and public engagement

with science. I was very excited to follow modules which are not offered in Utrecht and to broaden my perspectives on sustainability and learn from new teachers and friends. Besides uni, an exchange means making new friends for life, exploring new places and getting out of your comfort zone and London has given me all of that: you literally never get bored! I also became a member of the UCL Sustainability Ambassadors communication team and the Environmental Collective, which brought me cool new sustainability related inspo. And the societies at UCL are super fun! I played badminton and joined the Amnesty International Society because I wanted to know more about human rights and climate change (their campaign theme last term). Oh and the parks in London and the forests just outside London are so lovely, especially the autumn hues! They are the perfect spots to rewind and get some fresh air, because the city can sometimes be a bit overwhelming...Right now I'm trying to give all these incredible memories and experiences a place in my heart. I mean secretly I cannot wait to see beautiful UuUuU and all of my lovely friends again in 2020!

Joejoe,
Helen

*Greetings from the
United Kingdom*



Hi everyone!

It all started by going to Storm's career symposium..

After 3 years of studying about sustainability I was done with the lecture halls and ready to actively do something to contribute to climate action.

My name is Symke Nieboer and I was part of the Project Sail to the COP for the past half year. The name is pretty straight forward: sailing to the UN Climate Conference in Santiago, Chile. With 36 young people we are fighting for fair and sustainable travel and on our sailing think tank we created a vision and roadmap for the travel sector that we were planning to present at the COP. Unfortunately, halfway across the Atlantic, we heard that the COP was relocated to Madrid. Unable to turn around we continued to South America. We found a team of 24 young people in Europe, among which Samantha Gan Kristensen, that joined our team to represent our project at the COP for us. We sailed our ship to Martinique to be able to support them online and be virtually present at events.

Instead of talking more about the project, I want to talk about taking action (if you do want to know more you should visit our website (link or footnote: www.sailtothecop.com) and our output website with our videos, solutions and demands (www.sailtothecop.com/thinktank)).

As an environmental student you start with changing your lifestyle and do small projects next to studying. I turned vegetarian and then vegan, stopped buying new things, stopped flying and did some small sustainable projects. For some this might feel as doing enough, because we as environmental students will end up working in this sector anyway, right? But will that have enough influence, will it change enough in the coming decades to make sure our climate is not changing as much? I don't think so, and that's why I want to do more.

Let's take the travel industry as an example: aviation contributes to 5,5% of global warming and the industry is about to double in the next two decades. Something has to change in this sector and Helge's Giezemans plane and other impressive innovations are not developed to work on a large scale on the short term. Additionally politicians also seem not ready to

change their ways in the coming years, however, this is something we as individuals can change with bottom up climate action. That's why we should act now. Don't get me wrong, it is important to work on innovation and long term solutions but only that is not going to solve the climate crisis and unfortunately that is how big companies and politicians are framing it now. We have to make



sure that we change progressively now. When I talk about 'we' I am talking about the privileged, the ones from societies who have historical responsibility for this crisis, and that is you and me. I am happy that I am using my privilege and thus my time and money for this project, because I come from a society that is responsible. And I hope everyone will become aware of their privilege and it's connected responsibility to change their ways. Taking responsibility can also be really motivating and good for depressing feelings that are connected to knowing a lot about this topic. On board I was able to finally dive into this one specific topic and work on it in real life, that felt good. I felt like I was doing something useful. It helped me to get rid of the negative and sometimes depressive feelings you get from studying about sustainability.

We are the generation that has to act, fast and big, and you have the knowledge to lead and guide others to become aware and take action. And all of this can just start by going to Storm's career symposium and hearing about a project like Sail to the COP.

Kind regards,

Symke

*Greetings from somewhere on
the Atlantic*

Shining on Beyond

by Jesse Doomen


"A

re this all the stars Luna?" Sena asked while she looked at a star-map. Sena was a nine year old I showed around the deck because she won a little prize in some contest. It was my task to show her around because I was one of the pilots of the starship we were standing in. The ship was on a mission to a distant exoplanet where life might have been possible. The journey would take too long for me to live to see the planet in person but my task was to make sure someone would. Sena looked at me eagerly waiting for my response. "There are many stars, more stars than cells in your body" I said to her. Sena smiled at me but she didn't seem to understand my response. I didn't know how to talk to humans, never mind a child. Sena and I looked back at the star-map. The map was beautiful but not accurate. It was meant to be looked at which means it needed to be pretty. "Will we ever run out of them?" she asked further. Kids never stop asking questions. It doesn't mean they are stupid. It just means they don't know when to stop asking questions. Sena looked at me with her sweet eyes. I needed to think of some answer because otherwise I would look ridiculous. Especially to the mother that was standing in the corner of the room waiting for the tour to be done. Should I have answered with the truth? The truth

is always right but what would the mother think? But lying would have lowered my credibility as pilot. I stumbled with these thoughts while the girl looked at me. The mother of Sena walked up to us. "Sena it's time to go!" she took her hand. The mother answered for me. I tried to smile at them again while they were walking away. Sena tried to look but the door closed.

Connection lost. I was alone again on the deck. I was trapped, not on the deck but on the ship. I was part of the mission if I wanted it or not. The ship contained 2000 individuals. 2000 individuals was apparently too many individuals to care about the few that kept it going. I sat at my desk and looked at the darkness before me. There was a window on the deck but there was nothing to look at. Only when we would arrive at the planet would there finally be something to see. Before that there would only be darkness. I wished it just gave me a sign of some progress. All yesterdays had been the same. I didn't want all tomorrows to be too. I looked at the hourly data reports of half an hour ago. It said all systems were working nominal. All was nominal. Life was nominal.

I heard a knock at the entrance door.



The door slid open. It was Jack, the man of my dreams that had become just one of the other pilots. He was here to take over my shift. We met on the ship during training. He didn't change. My perception changed. Love is just a perception anyway. "How is the day in the life of Luna?" Jack asked. I didn't reply. After the divorce we had not been talking much or more accurately I had not been talking much to him. I didn't dare to speak a lot of words. Jack put down his stuff, sat down and stared through the window next to me. We were hopeful when we were told about the goal of the journey. We were hopeful about each other. Jack turned to me not satisfied with the lack of response. "How did the tour go?" he said. I still didn't reply. "Come on tell me, how was it talking to that little girl" I couldn't react to him. I stood up from my chair to walk past him. "Luna I'm worried about you" he said. He took my hand and looked at me. He had a tired sad look on his face. I still didn't speak. He stopped talking as well. For a few seconds we just looked at each other. While I looked at him I just saw the past. Nothing had changed. Nothing would ever change. "It's not the time" I said while I let go of his hand. His face lightened up. I said something, a sentence. A collection of more than one word. He stood up and looked at me closer. "Luna could you please tell me how you feel? About anything, I want to know" he said. He didn't want kids. He didn't want to give me the hope I needed to continue the mission. I couldn't tell him how much he

hurt me. It would just hurt him too. I was ashamed how much it hurt me. I walked away from him. I needed to go home.

I moved through the hallways of the ship. The ship was so large that it even had a park. Parks on earth might have seemed fake but at least those park were alive. The grass, the trees, everything on the ship, it was all fake. The only humanity around were the actual humans. They had to strip away so much to save humanity. We couldn't take a breath off fresh air. We couldn't turn on the lights too long. We couldn't celebrate. We couldn't do anything. We had to stay on course. The part of me that believed staying on course was essential was also the part that broke. The part that believed Jack and I would start a family together. The part of me that had hope. What was even the... A ball rolled up to me. I picked it up and looked at where it came from. It was Sena playing in the park. She didn't care it was fake. I gave her back the bal. She laughed at me. She could make it. She could reach B. But she didn't care. She cared about the day, that day with me. She cared about me. I smiled back. That day I decided I should keep going. Who cares none of them carry my DNA. They're human. Humanity shines on. Our smiles shine on. As long as we possibly can.

HOROSCOPE

WILL YOU BE HALFWAY ON YOUR JOURNEY INTO 2020?



**ARIES (MARCH 21 -
APRIL 19)**

In 2020, you'll be more than halfway there! This year will bring you exciting change in your career! This could be good news if you are planning to look for a job soon. Perhaps start looking out for the next career symposium? It could also mean that you will grow in your current career.

Go get 'em, CareerTiger!

**CANCER (JUNE 21 -
JULY 22)**



You're emotional side will take over this year and you will be at the mercy of sentiments, especially in spring! This means that love plays a key role also in your self-development and that without some support you will be lost in doubts on your personal esteem. But don't worry too much about it, it is so easy to fall in love with you!



**TAURUS (APRIL 20 -
MAY 20)**

Your 2020 will be all about learning and experiencing new things! This could mean an interesting development in your studies or an interesting travel (just don't go by plane). It might even shape you as a person. Whatever road you'll take, it will be an experience for sure!

**LEO (JULY 23 - AU-
GUST 22)**



C'mon Leo, light your fire! This 2020 will be the turning point of your career. You will finally understand what version of yourself you want to be and show it to others. Your long-term goals will be determined and your life will take the direction that suits you best. Just one little remark: do not neglect your health!



**GEMINI (MAY 21 -
JUNE 20)**

Money, money, money, must be funny, in a rich man's world... Dear Gemini, think wisely about how you spend your money... Your financial situation might be on shaky fundamentals. Don't worry though, as this uncertainty might bring you new financial opportunities that can lead to a more sustainable lifestyle!

**VIRGO (AUGUST 23 -
SEPTEMBER 22)**



2020 will be the most romantic and adventurous year of your life! You will step out of your comfort zone and share your ideas with other people. What has been hidden in your mind for so long, now has the chance to influence others, maybe just in a recreational way, maybe also as an educative opinion. It is up to you to start a climate march or a sustainability revolution!



LIBRA (SEPTEMBER

23 - OCTOBER 22

Family is everything and you know it, right? Don't forget about your origins because they will give you the strength and support you are looking for this year! You will continue on the same renovating path of the last decade, but with a new awareness of what you can do! Remember to care for your secure place and you won't need anything else this year.



SCORPIO (OCTOBER

23 - NOVEMBER 21)

Speak up, Scorpio! In 2020 communication will be key for you. It will lead to many new interesting things, whether that be people, hobbies, studies... And the connections to new people will inspire you even further! Maybe you should start being more open about your ideas on sustainability and you might truly change other people's minds...



SAGGITARIUS (NOVEM-

BER 22 - DECEMBER 21)

Dear Sagittarius, your routines and habits might be changing according to the stars. For you, the sky has predicted a new start, but first, you should choose where you want to let it begin! Your means (money and finances) will be essential, especially if you will be able to create the right partnerships!



CAPRICORN (DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 19)

2020 is the year in which you will think about yourself as "matter" and focus more on your external aspect. This, in turn, will increase your confidence and your creativity! You will be able to shape your image and personality at your choice and the process will be fun. It's the right year to rediscover your talents!



AQUARIUS (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18)

After some confusion, this year you are ready to take initiative and to do what you have always wanted to. You will engage in spirituality and embrace new projects for the future. You can finally go ahead and pursue your goals, the ones that have been locked for so long.



PISCES (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20)

All for one and one for all!
In 2020, you'll see your connections with others flourish. Your dreaminess and creativity will be a helpful tool in these times! It could lead to stronger bonds with the people you're close with, but you might also make new friends!

By HUGO KWAAITAAL & SILVIA LOPES

Confessions

Some of the best confessions of the past half year.

One of the members of kolokolo is cute af.

I like my current committee but i like my old committee more.

Since the introduction weekend I have a crush on my intro mama.

I fly home every break!

During vegan week we sent a picture of our vegan wraps and then put cheese into them before eating. :O

I use the excuse that I do not eat meat to drive the car more often.

I had a crush on a board member and then saw him kissing someone else.

Me and my partner went by the KFC during last year's hitchhiking weekend. We were really hungry okay!

WRITE DOWN YOUR CONFESSION HERE!



One of Those

By Floor van Oers

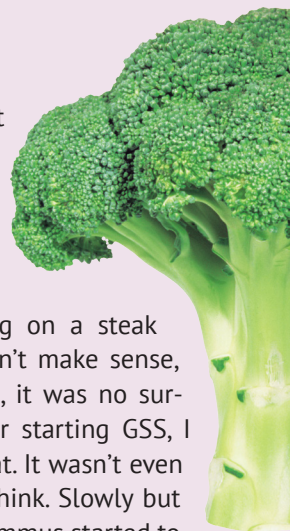
“When I am going to study Global Sustainability Science, I am not going to become one of those veggie-eating, vintage-clothing wearing, airplane-hating hippies.”

This was what I told my little sister very resolutely when I started studying Global Sustainability Science, two and a half years ago. Quite understandably, she was skeptical. I mean, who else would do a study like this? She told me that she didn't believe me, and you know, she was right.

Shortly after starting the study, I realised I was surrounded by those hippies I had described to my sister not too long ago. Vegan recipes, exasperation about climate change deniers in power, and climate marches were daily subjects. It was a whole new world, especially after living with my meat-loving family for my entire life. I had entered the Storm's sustainable bubble.

Studying about sustainability and gorging on a steak dinner every day doesn't make sense after all, I thought.

Soon we learned about cognitive dissonance, the situation of your beliefs not matching with your actions. Studying about sustainability and gorging on a steak dinner every day doesn't make sense, after all, I thought. So, it was no surprise that shortly after starting GSS, I started to eat less meat. It wasn't even a conscious choice, I think. Slowly but steadily my love for hummus started to outgrow my love for pâté, and I chose the vegetarian option more and more



often when eating out. I think there are quite some Stormers who follow the same path. We learn about how bad flying is, hear our friends and teachers talk about the detrimental effects of animal product production, and notice litter everywhere we go. It has become something I cannot ignore. I can't help but think about it often, and my behaviour has changed with it.

And now, almost three years later, I don't even think about it anymore. I became an active vegetarian and an at-home vegan, and I haven't bought any store-bought new clothes in over a year (save for underwear and socks, obviously. I have to put a line somewhere). I experience slight to severe flight shame, and avoid plastic at a supermarket.

By all definitions, I'm 'one of those environmentalist hippies'. Yet still, I don't feel like one. So, I suppose, that's my own cognitive dissonance.





FOOD FORESTRY IN SAWINGGRAI

In order to know where our money to the Kolokolo is going, it is important to understand what the organisation SDSP (Stichting Duurzame Samenleving Papua Barat) is exactly and what it does.

West Papua represents one of the last green lungs of the world, with its 40 million hectares of rainforest. The island is rich in many different natural resources; therefore, the area experiences great pressure from the global economy. There is no economic perspective, little to no health care, poor education, and inhabitants do not have the right of say about their own living environment. In the inland of West Papua, primary health care is bad, this results in one of the highest child mortality rates in the world of 33%. Their goal is to help the local inhabitants with their own initiatives,

whereby SDSP provides essential finances, knowledge, and experiences. SDSP's projects in West Papua have been very successful during the past 20 years.

Storm supports the project "Food Forestry Sawinggrai, Raja Ampat". Currently, the inhabitants of Sawinggrai (Raja Ampat) are dependent on imported products for their food supply from a bigger city, which is one and a half-hour by motorboat. In addition, the diet only consists of rice and fish with little to no vegetables or fruit, resulting in vitamin- and mineral deficiency, mainly showing in children. The goal of this project is to improve the food supply for the inhabitants of the vil-

lage Sawinggrai through the construction of a food forest together with vegetable growing. The crops will be cultivated in a sustainable way, with the rainforest as an example. With a cycle of minerals, humus production,

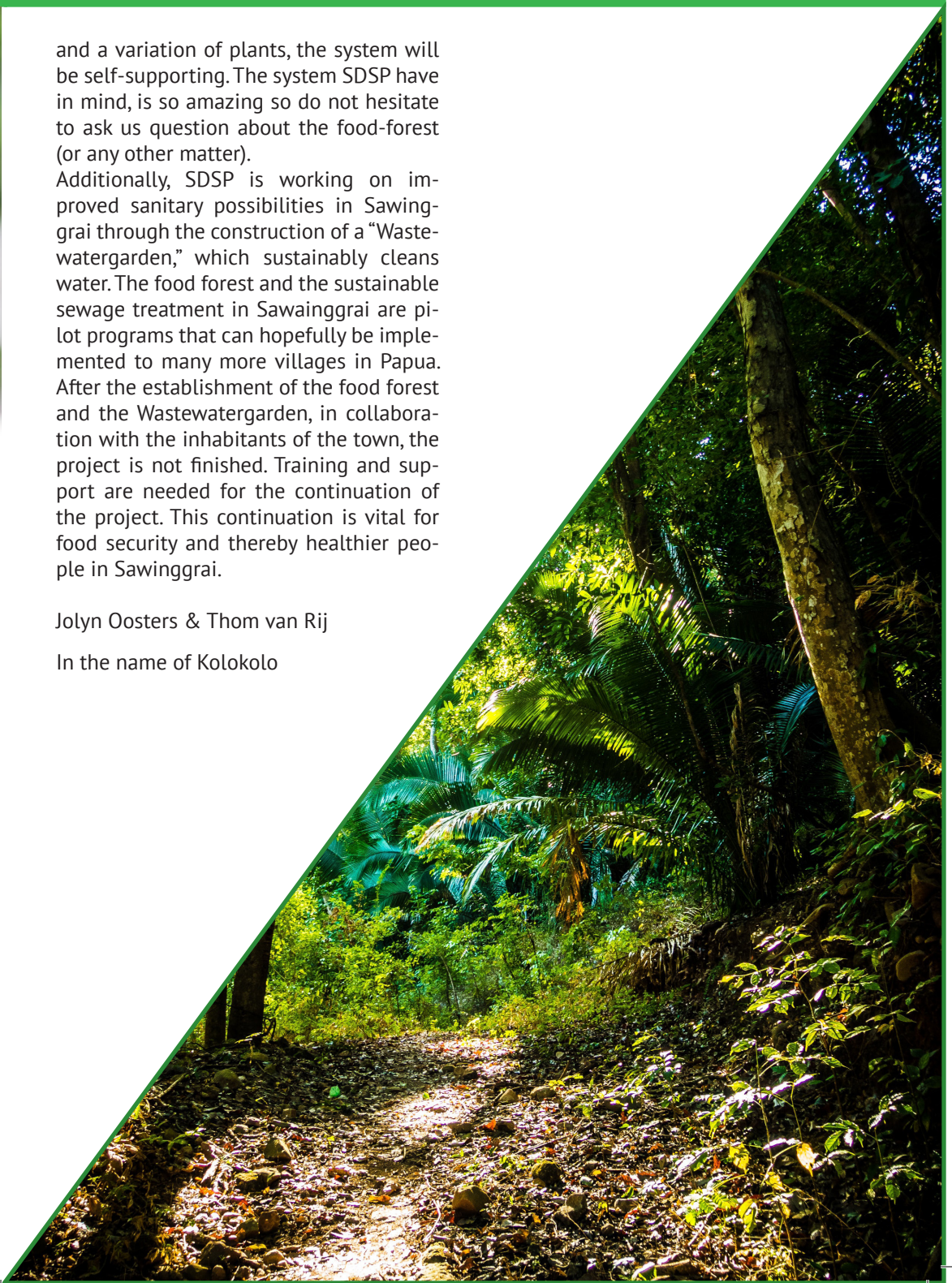


and a variation of plants, the system will be self-supporting. The system SDSP have in mind, is so amazing so do not hesitate to ask us question about the food-forest (or any other matter).

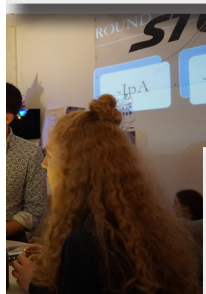
Additionally, SDSP is working on improved sanitary possibilities in Sawinggrai through the construction of a "Wastewatergarden," which sustainably cleans water. The food forest and the sustainable sewage treatment in Sawainggrai are pilot programs that can hopefully be implemented to many more villages in Papua. After the establishment of the food forest and the Wastewatergarden, in collaboration with the inhabitants of the town, the project is not finished. Training and support are needed for the continuation of the project. This continuation is vital for food security and thereby healthier people in Sawinggrai.

Jolyn Oosters & Thom van Rij

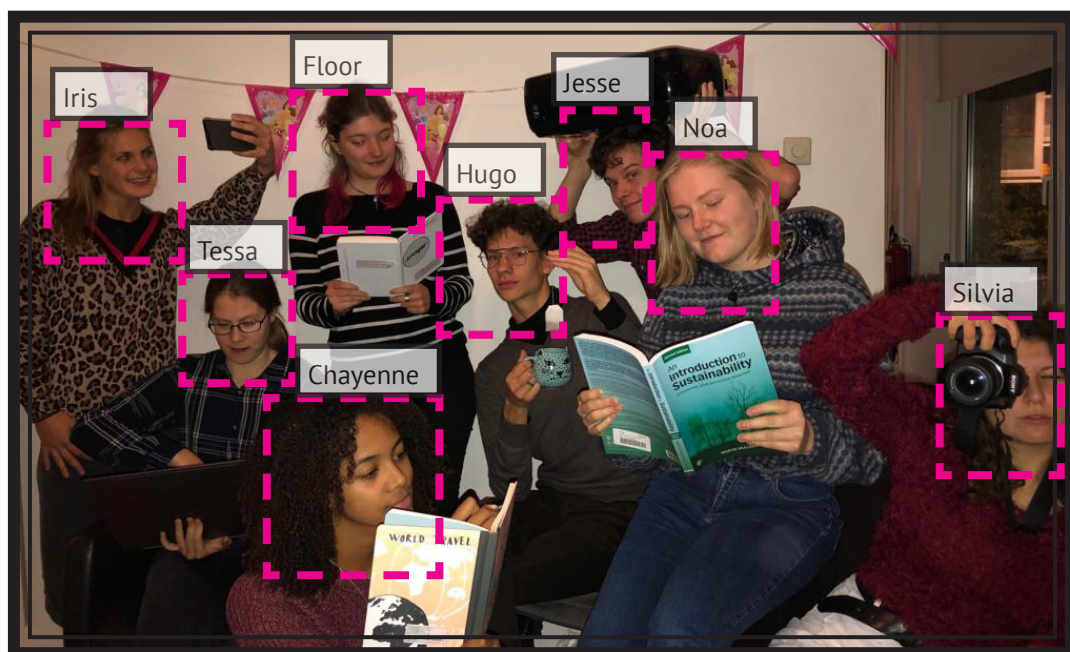
In the name of Kolokolo







MEET THE MEDIA COMMITTEE!



As you might have guessed, this magazine did not write itself! It is created by a strong team of eight Stormers, who apart from reading and publishing your confessions*, also have some confessions of their own... Are you able to guess which confession belongs to which Media Committee member?

* Send in your confessions to 'Spillthestorm' on Instagram!



"I want to be sustainable, but I think I've flown at least 40 times in my life. (Flight shame is real)"

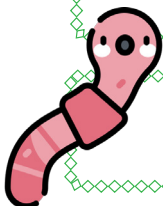


"My best friend and I used to pee on the same toilet at the same time"



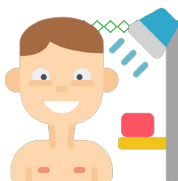
"I consider my music taste to be pretty edgy, but my most-listened-to-artist is Taylor Swift..."

I'm wasting a lot of energy because I refuse to be cold... I make about six hot water bottles a day, shower at near burning temperature and the first thing I do when I enter a (public) room is blast the heater up to the maximum whenever I can. Working on it though...



"I have to be careful when eating at home, because I can find worms in my plate due to a insects infestation in my kitchen"

"One time there was a climate march but I didn't go even though we had no classes. I just couldn't be bothered"



"I try really hard living more sustainable, yet I cannot resist showering for 40 minutes per day and then turning the heat up to around 25 degrees to stay warm afterwards"

"I don't like buying new clothes, so when I need something specific I tend to borrow clothing from people I know. Chances are that if you ever see me in formal wear, 99% is not mine. Oh, and I also tend to borrow some items so often that they are just given to me. Like my fathers sporting shirt..."







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