



SUSA UPDATE

Scholars United for a Sustainable Amsterdam



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Save the date!

The SUSA conference will take place on **1 December 2021!** We are very happy to share that Professor Kate Raworth has accepted to be the keynote speaker of our event. Next to Kate Raworth, we will have an opening speech by André Nollkaemper, Dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Amsterdam. Mirjam van Praag, President at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, will conclude the conference with the closing remarks.

The research and fieldwork in preparation of the conference are in full swing. A formal invitation with more detailed information about the conference will follow in the months to come. We will keep you posted!

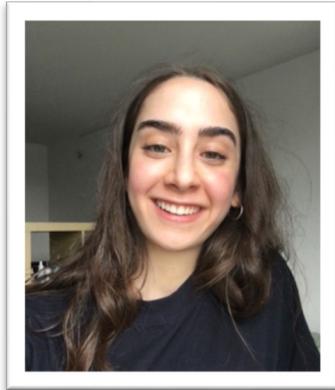


About us: Team expansion

Our team has recently expanded from four to eight women! The four newcomers are young, international students, all coming from different backgrounds and very eager to work together to contribute to the important goals of the SUSA project. They will be joining the team for a timeframe of four months.

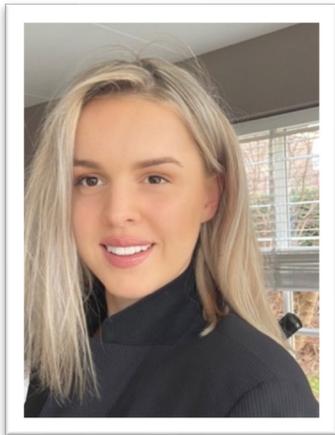
Defne Uslu

Defne is currently studying her LLM degree at the Universiteit van Amsterdam on European Private Law. She studied her bachelor's degree in law at the Galatasaray University in Turkey, which is also her place of origin. She joined Scholars United for a Sustainable Amsterdam Project in the context of the honour's programme of her master's studies. She is part of 'Team Theory' which ensures the theoretically sound approach of the project.



Valèrie Verèll

Valèrie has a degree in Bèta-Gamma majoring in biology. Next year, she will apply for the masters Environmental Economics and Natural Resources. Her main drive is to protect Earth's nature. Within the SUSA project she will focus on the theoretical and visual parts.



Elisa Garellick

Elisa is currently studying an LL.M. in European Private Law at the University of Amsterdam. She did her bachelor's degree in the European Law School of Maastricht University. Elisa joined the research team as part of the honour's programme of her faculty. Together with Maud, she is part



of 'team implementation', which primarily means: developing the call for stories.

Maud Koper

Maud joined our research group in the context of the honour's programme she participates in. She did a two bachelors, in Criminology and Law, at Leiden University. Currently she is following the master Criminal Law and will focus on the implementation part of the SUSA project.



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In the past months, we have been busy building a network of inspiring people and groups in Amsterdam, took part in several Doughnut events and presented our project at the [Amsterdam Donut Coalitie](#). In addition, we worked on redesigning and strengthening our methodology.

The coming months we will reach out to the Amsterdam society (businesses, organizations, citizens) and collect their stories to better understand how they are struggling, or having success, in living a Doughnut-proof life. These stories will give us information about what it is that stands in the way of achieving a Doughnut-proof society.

We have divided our team into two groups: 'Team theory' and 'Team implementation'. Team theory will explore different methodologies, in particular *citizen science* and *participatory action research*, to see whether and how we can apply those to the project. They will make sure that our project relies on a theoretically sound approach. Team implementation will be responsible for developing the Call for Stories: they will set up a clear strategy and template for the Call in line with our methodology, and maintain communication with participants and the network.

The next step will be to discuss the outcomes of the call for stories with you, the SUSA community, in a second roundtable discussion. This roundtable discussion will be planned at the end of June or in the beginning of July. After the roundtable discussion, the SUSA community of citizens, practitioners and interdisciplinary academics will work

collectively on the stories, to come up with meaningful solutions to the obstacles we identified.

All the stories and other results will be shared with the SUSAs community via the website of the [Amsterdam Donut Coalitie](#).

What can you do?

Soon we will be spreading our Call for Stories. When we do so, we will also ask you, our affiliate, to spread the Call for Stories within your own (Amsterdam) networks, so that we can get it to the attention of as many citizens and professionals as possible. Next to spreading the Call in your network, we will also invite you to think about your own story. What obstacles do you encounter in your endeavor to operate within the Doughnut, in your personal or professional life? We would love to hear about it and will let you know how to submit your story as soon as the call comes out.

If you have any suggestions, questions or ideas, please reach out to us on donut-fdr@uva.nl

All the best,

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