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- **Working Group on Climate Change (WGCC)**
- **Working Group on Energy Politics (WGEP)**

One of the core missions of IAPSS is to connect the students all around the world with the aim of providing them the possibility to exchange ideas and academic approaches. One very simple but very effective way of doing so is to establish online Working Groups. The concept of the Working Group is quite simple and flexible: the members are encouraged to come together online and share their work or ideas, initiate new research on local or international level and finally publicize it within and outside the IAPSS network. They have the freedom to choose the methods and the planned outcomes of their work. IAPSS helps in connecting the people with similar interests and then offering them the possibility to make their conclusions known all across its network and beyond.

As the Executive Committee is currently organizing a conference on Energy and Climate Change Policies, we would like to re-establish and re-organize the IAPSS Working Group on environmental issues. We are looking for students that are interested in the topics that will be discussed during the conference and would have the eagerness to join the two new sections of the Environmental Working Group. The Working Groups will, among many other follow-up activities, have the possibility to present their results at the conference in Ljubljana, Slovenia, which will give them a say on the international parquet.



The two new Working Groups under the general topic of Energy & Environment will be addressed *Energy Politics* and *Climate Change* and should develop a debate on the following questions. Of course these are only guidelines and can in coordination with the organizers still be changed slightly into different directions:

Ø **Section 1: Energy Politics**

Which states are going to be the new main energy consumers? What impacts will it have on the international relations structure? Which politics are the International Energy Agency (IEA) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) conducting? How are states preparing for a possible shortage of Energy Resource Supply? What role do energy resources play in conflicts? What policies are some states trying to implement to support Alternative and Renewable Energies?

Ø **Section 2: Climate Change**

What approaches do states have to counteract the development of Climate Change? What concepts are currently in the discussion? What were the results of the Climate Conferences in Kyoto and Bali? What politics is the European Union conducting in the topic of climate change? What are the influences of the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP), the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC) and other international Organizations?

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