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Occupation:

Bachelor of Law, Law Faculty,
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Research Assistant at Center for Law and Social Justice, Center for Energy Studies, and Center for Population and Policy Studies at Universitas Gadjah Mada

Research and Programme Intern at Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia (FPCI) Climate Unit

In Haryo Putro Dirgantoro's professional pursuits, he has aligned his goals with Indonesia's vision for the future. His main focus is on nurturing Indonesia's next generation by 2045, ensuring that everyone, regardless of their background, has a fair opportunity to grow and contribute. He firmly believes that inclusive growth leads to a more equitable and sustainable society. Alongside this, he is dedicated to supporting Indonesia's goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2060, where the country will produce no more greenhouse gases than it can offset.

Starting his career as a corporate lawyer at a leading multinational firm, Dirga actively engaged in various pro bono initiatives despite his demanding daily responsibilities. He notably served as a youth delegate at the Peace for Ukraine forum, organized by the EU delegation to Indonesia and the Ukrainian Embassy. In this role, he leveraged his legal expertise to raise awareness about peace and devised strategies to combat disinformation. A key turning point in Dirga's career came while assisting in a significant acquisition for a mining investment company in Indonesia. During this time, he witnessed firsthand the severe environmental impacts on local communities. This experience sparked a deep realisation about the law's dual role—either serving the interests of the powerful or ensuring justice for marginalised groups. Driven by a newfound commitment to human rights and environmental justice, Dirga transitioned from corporate law to academia and research at Universitas Gadjah Mada and the Climate Unit of the Foreign Policy Community of Indonesia (FPCI). Despite current limitations in influencing policy direction, his decision reflects a proactive stance toward advocating for meaningful reforms ensuring that grassroots voices resonate with both local and international stakeholders. Through his involvement in initiatives like the International Conference on Disability Rights (ICDR), the ASEAN Youth Initiative Empowerment Programme (AYIEP), and the Youth Sounding Board - Friends of the European Union, Dirga aims to drive substantial improvements in human rights and climate action. He seeks to inspire others to join him in creating a fairer and more sustainable future for Indonesia.



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