confirmation Application for 2024 UEF-UNEP Course on Multilateral Environmental Agreements training in Finland https://sites.uef.fi/cceel/uef-unep/

What is your motivation for applying to the course? (500-1000 words) *

I find that there are many parallels between "international environmental negotiations" and "multistakoholder Internet Governance policies making processes".

In my work for a Regional Internet Registry (RIPE NCC), I am part of the later - and at your course I am hoping to learn about the elements of the former.

RIPE NCC is a membership association, a "network coordination centre" for the RIPE community, that consists of "representatives of NGOs and the private sector, researchers and academics". We coordinate technical policies & guidelines: agreements that these businesses (and universities, and governments…) need to negotiate together, to ensure the smooth operations of the Internet on the lowest protocol layers.

It is my personal passion to introduce environmental considerations into the technical communities, such as RIPE & Internet standardisation organisations (IETF, IAB).

What are your current professional responsibilties? *

As a Community Builder, I give presentations and publish articles, for technical communities, about environmental impact of the Internet:

In May 2023, I presented the Climate Justice Plea to the technical community of RIPE, in the talk & article https://ripe86.ripe.net/archives/video/1001/

https://labs.ripe.net/author/becha/environmental-impact-of-internet-urgency-de-growth-rebellion/

October 2022: Bits & Bäume, Berlin: https://media.ccc.de/v/bitsundbaeume-19907-greening-ripe-though-activism-and-empathy-en-

https://labs.ripe.net/author/becha/towards-climate-justice-in-tech/

I attend other relevant events, to coordinate this work with others, across similar fields, and then report about it: https://labs.ripe.net/author/becha/computing-within-limits-2023/

DeGrowth Conference in Zagreb, August 2023: https://wiki.techinc.nl/File:9th_DeGrowth_Conference_Zagreb_August_2023_February_2024.pdf

I contribute to IETF work on the "e-impact" (environmental impact) topics, since 2022

https://www.iab.org/activities/workshops/e-impact/

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-iab-ws-environmental-impacts-report/

My paper & presentation were instrumental is setting "big picture" goals for the working group:

https://wiki.techinc.nl/images/8/84/IAB-workshop-e-impact-societal-aspects-2.pdf

As a follow-up, I published A Plea for Climate Justice - Report from the IAB Workshop on e-Impact https://labs.ripe.net/author/becha/a-plea-for-climate-justice-report-from-the-iab-workshop-on-e-impact/

In November 2023 I took part in in-person conference in Prague https://wiki.techinc.nl/File:Smaller_IETF_118,_Prague_2023_-_Report_with_Pictures_.pdf

I teach students on the subjects of Internet Governance & Environmental Sustainability:

2024: https://wiki.techinc.nl/File:Xs-all-vesna-IG-traces-of-power.pdf

2023: https://wiki.techinc.nl/File:Smaller-LOCOS-seminar-march-2023-vesna.pdf

2022: https://wiki.techinc.nl/images/c/cf/Vesna-green-internet-ripe_ncc-SIGCAS-compressed.pdf

Briefly list relevant professional experience (max 3): *

Community Builder at RIPE NCC (2011-current) https://www.linkedin.com/in/becha/ & https://labs.ripe.net/author/becha/

Member of RIPE Diversity Task Force (2016-2022) https://www.ripe.net/community/tf/ripe-diversity-task-force/

Contributor to IETF (2015-current) https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc7962

2016: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion training, Budapest

1998-2022: NonViolent Communications https://wiki.techinc.nl/User:Becha/NVC#Degrees

2023: Code Of Conduct Team training, Amsterdam

1991-1998 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

School of Electrical Engineering, Belgrade, Yugoslavia (now: Serbia)