

# JUNIOR MBANGALA

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## EDUCATION

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- Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. in Sustainable Urban Development**, University of Oxford, Oxford, England **2024 –**
- MSc in Environmental Change & Management**, University of Oxford, Oxford, England **2023 – 2024**
- Elective courses: Climate Change Economics & International Environmental Law
  - Ambassador of Oxford Diplomatic Society at Linacre College, University of Oxford
- MSc in Public Policy & Human Development**, Maastricht University / UNU-MERIT, The Netherlands **2022– 2023**
- UNU-MERIT, program by United Nations University (Double degree)
  - Elective course: Global Governance for Development
- Bachelor of Economics and International Cooperation**, HELMo University College, Liège, Belgium **2018 – 2021**
- Academic accomplishment: GPA: Cum Laude
  - Relevant courses: General Economics, Statistics, Accounting, Geopolitics, and International Relations.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Policy Analyst**, World Trade Organization, Geneva, Switzerland **Feb 2025 – Present**
- Conduct research and analysis on trade and environmental sustainability issues, supporting discussions within the TESSD initiative.
  - Assist in drafting reports, policy briefs, and meeting summaries to facilitate stakeholder engagement and decision-making.
  - Collaborate with WTO members and experts to advance initiatives on sustainable trade practices and environmental cooperation.
- Research Assistant**, GCHU Kellogg College, Oxford, UK **Dec 2024 – Jan 2025**
- Conducted a comprehensive scoping review to analyze policies, frameworks, and practices associated with the development of Healthy New Towns with the Global Centre on Healthcare and Urbanisation
  - Synthesized findings into detailed reports to inform recommendations for sustainable urban planning and healthcare integration
  - Collaborated with interdisciplinary teams to explore the intersection of urban development and public health outcomes
- Policy Analyst**, Embassy of Belgium in the United Kingdom, London, UK **Apr 2024 – Sept 2024**
- Conducting in-depth research on bilateral agreements between Belgium and the United Kingdom concerning renewable energies, energy efficiency, and economic trade
  - Monitoring and advising on specific UK stakeholders relevant to Belgium's interests, as directed by the embassy leadership
  - Facilitating relationship management with government counterparts and stakeholders in the UK and Ireland on behalf of the embassy
- Policy Analyst**, Electis Solutions, Paris, France **Jun 2023 – Aug 2023**
- Realization of a study on the elections of Employees representatives in Benelux companies
  - Summary of the legal requirements for companies in setting up these elections (scope of the number of companies concerned, size of their companies)
  - Analysis on the organization in these elections (roadmap, legal deadline, communication with employees, communication with union)
- Strategy and Innovation Intern**, Beep Consulting International, Kinshasa, DRC **Feb 2022 – Jun 2022**
- Researched innovative and integrative methods to drive sustainable project in DR Congo
  - Worked in cross collaboration with professionals in sustainability for the development of key performance metrics for success in sustainable innovation
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## **PUBLICATION**

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- *Mbangala, J., & Mande, P. (2025). Renewable Energy and Access to Electricity in Rural Sub-Saharan Africa (Forthcoming).*

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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- Languages: French (Native), Spanish (Fluent), English (Fluent) Lingala (Fluent), Dutch (Elementary)
  - English and Spanish Certificate C1, University Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain
  - Computer Skills: MS Office 365 (Advanced), Windows (Advanced), Stata (Advanced), R (Advanced)
  - Interests: Climate Justice, Social Impact, Sustainable development, Politics, Human rights, Diplomacy
  - Achievements: The World Bank Certification: Reproducible Research Fundamentals Course (2023), Oxford Diplomatic Society Academy Certificate: Public speaking, diplomatic communication, negotiation (2024)
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