

MY GREEN MASTER THESIS

INTERVIEW



Ansu Alex, from India, is an international student at Halmstad University (Högskolan i Halmstad). She's studying Renewable Energy Systems at a Master level. She has previously worked with quality assurance and is interested in renewable energy, biofuels and transport. Ansu came here to study in the fall of 2016 and is doing her Master thesis this spring. Her commitment and ambition is astonishing and she has decided to pursue the project of "Fuels for heavy transports". She is an easygoing and professional person who will proceed with a very exciting project. I met Ansu on Thursday 8th of January to get an update.

- How did you find the thesis?

I got an email from Jasmine in the student mail-id so that's where I found it for the first time. I proceeded to the website and I could see the ads and then I use google translate to understand the ads. The translation was enough for me to apply for the thesis.

- Why did you choose this subject?

I'm interested in renewable energy systems and bioenergy concepts so that's why I choose this thesis. At first I had two projects in mind, but then I decided on the biofuels for heavy transport. My focus for the thesis will be the different types of biofuels that I choose to investigate, not as much the modes of transportation. This is also my field at Halmstad University and I feel like the platform of Arena Grön Tillväxt is good.

- What are your expectations?

I read in a research paper that there's a food vs. fuel battle going on. It's a tricky situation and I want to do something to show that biofuels really are sustainable and that we can use them in a good way. If used in the right way it is sustainable and I would like to make that argument with my thesis. If there is a balance between biomaterials used as fuels and biomaterials used for food then that is good. I feel optimistic about the outcome of my thesis.

- Where do you see yourself in the future? Dream job?

In the future I would like to become a teacher on the long-term. Short-term I want work at a company to get some more practical experience. I might be interested in doing more research and teaching at the university level, I'm not sure.

Interview - Jasmine Lindeberg, Student Coordinator