

Arlington is pleased to welcome two young professionals from Southeast Asia, Dwi Jayanthi and Jolly Nguyen, for a month long Fellowship in sustainable international development through **Young Southeast Asian Leadership Initiative (YSEALI) Professional Fellows Program**, a U.S. State Department program.

The YSEALI program provides emerging leaders ages 25-35 the opportunity to spend five weeks in the United States, including four weeks working directly with American counterparts in individually tailored work placements with relevant private and/or public sector organizations. During these placements, Fellows build their practical expertise, leadership skills, and professional networks.

Jolly Nguyen is the Founder of a social enterprise called Education for Vietnam Organic Lifestyle- EVOL. Her organization focuses on youth empowerment and environmental issues through organic farming and community projects. EVOL has cooperated with other nonprofits, NGOs, international organizations, and government entities to promote organic farming in urban areas, and to raise awareness of environmental problems.

Dwi Jayanthi's interest in the intersection of environmental issues and journalism led to a 2017 fellowship in Fiji with Climate Tracker.org, a youth journalism organization for climate change. In 2018 Dwi served as delegate at YSEALI Marine Debris Expedition in Indonesia. Dwi currently works as a coordinator for the Indonesian campaign PlastikDetox, which seeks to reward small businesses in Bali that are genuinely committed to stop or reduce substantially their use of plastic bags.