

AVALON Team

with a passion for life, learning and the great outdoors

Heloise Buckland - Programme Director

Heloise has over 12 years' experience developing learning for sustainability programmes in the UK, Spain and Latin America. She teaches at ESADE Business School, is editor of Education and Sustainability magazine, coordinator of the Regional Centre for Expertise in Education for Sustainable Development recognised by the United Nations University and founding member of Spain's first Environmental Entrepreneur Business Association. Heloise has an MA from Oxford University an Msc from Imperial College and is co-founder of *Barcelonya*.

Korbi Hort

Korbi has applied his understanding about the power of adventure and nature experiences for learning and education across a wide range of projects. His work has created a growing network linking business leaders, psychologists, educators and outdoor professionals to a common mission: to facilitate the emergence of a peaceful world that our children will want to inherit. Korbi graduated at the University of Edinburgh in Outdoor Education with Environmental Studies and is currently visiting the MSc in Sustainability and Responsibility at Ashridge. He is founder of Easy Day and a co-founder of Active Earth Learning and the Active Earth Foundation.

Alfonso Flaquer

Alfonso has spent the last 13 years working in eco-village design. He is founder of "La Base", an airplane hangar that has been converted into a center for alternative technologies and neo-rural living, and Karavan, a mobile learning community blending circus, science and sustainability. Since 2008 he has coordinated the Iberian network of Eco-villages, is co-founder of the strawbail construction network, and associate of *Barcelonya*. He is also a guitarist, poet and film maker and a father to three beautiful daughters.

Charles Donovan

Charlie is a university educator and former corporate executive helping to develop the full potential of young leaders. He is currently Visiting Professor at EADA Business School and teaches at Imperial College with most recent corporate experience with Alternative Energy at BP. Charlie has a BA in Psychology, an MBA and is a doctoral candidate at IE Business School, he shares his love for the outdoors with a caring, energetic 7 year old daughter and has a passion for fly-fishing, climbing and photography.

Martyna Kowol

Martyna is a graduate in European studies and her area of interest is cooperation between Europe and less developed countries and emerging powers. She has worked at the Documentation Centre for Third World Studies and the Hubert Védrine Council in Paris, speaks Polish, English, French and Spanish fluently and has basic German and Italian. Martyna loves organising spontaneous trips and spending time in nature, currently she is a Research and Communication Intern at *Barcelonya*..

Alexis Urusoff

Alexis is a social entrepreneur with has over 20 years' experience in directing social initiatives in Argentina, Costa Rica and Spain with particular expertise in digital and visual communication. He brings social innovations to life with experience in graphic design, web, multimedia, video, technology, production, marketing, events and festivals. Alexis blends his communication expertise with a background of degrees in Political Science and Sociology, Social Ecology and Sustainable Design and Theatre, He is co-founder of *Barcelonya*, a working cooperative dedicated to education, communications and sustainability.

