



Max-Julian Gerlach | Consultant

Heat planning – Climate neutrality – Municipal climate protection

At Hamburg Institut, Max-Julian Gerlach supports companies, local authorities and administrations on their way to a sustainable heat supply and climate neutrality. He focuses on the modelling and optimisation of energy systems, the creation of action plans and greenhouse gas balancing.

During his Master's degree in Sustainable Energy Planning and Management in Denmark, the engineer already worked as a student trainee at Hamburg Institut. He also gained practical experience in the Climate Sector Project of the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ), at BBH-Consulting, at the Institute for Ecological Economy Research (IÖW) and in the Environment and Construction Unit of the Permanent Representation of Germany to the EU in Brussels.

Consultancy and research focus

- Heat planning
- Climate neutrality
- GHG balancing
- Municipal climate protection

Qualification and career

Since 2023	Consultant at Hamburg Institut
2023	Master thesis, Becker Büttner Held Consulting, Berlin
2021 – 2023	M.Eng. Sustainable Energy Planning and Management, Aalborg University, Denmark
2021 – 2023	Working student, Hamburg Institut
2020	Intern, Climate Finance Team, Sector Project Climate, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Bonn
2019 – 2020	Bachelor thesis, Institut für ökologische Wirtschaftsforschung, Berlin
2019	Intern , Environment and Construction Unit, Permanent Representation of Germany to the EU, Brüssel, Belgium
2017 – 2018	Intern, Defensores de la Naturaleza, El Estor, Guatemala
2015 – 2020	B.Sc. Environmental Science for Sustainable Energy and Technology , Avans University of Applied Sciences, Breda, Netherlands