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ACADEMIC HISTORY

- 2008 Ph.D. Geographies of Knowledge | Political Ecology of Development Research Group (Region: Latin America) Faculty of Earth Science and Geography, University of Cambridge, England. Dissertation: Political Ecology of Mangroves in Southern Honduras: Emergence and Evolution of Environmental Conflict in the Gulf of Fonseca 1973-2006.
- 1999 M.Phil. International Peace and Conflict Studies (Focus: Environment) International Peace Studies Program, University of Dublin, Trinity College, Ireland. Thesis: An Approach to Our Environmental Crisis: From Anthropocentrism to Ecocentrism.
- 1998 B.A. Political Science and Certificate in Legal Studies, Department of Political Science, University of Tulsa. Senior Thesis: French Nuclear Testing in the South Pacific: Moruroa Atoll
- 1997 Study Abroad (1yr) Public International Law (12hrs), Political Theory (12hrs), and EU Studies (6hrs) Old College School of Law and Social Sciences, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- 2007 – Present COMMON Foundation (Non-Profit)
Founder and Chief Executive Officer
- 2007 – Present Bhumi Investments and Real Estate (Private)
Co-Founder and Managing Partner
- 2022 – Present German Marshall Fund of the United States (Think Tank)
Marshall Memorial Fellow
- 2007 – 2022 King’s Consulting Services (Private)
Principal International Consultant and Strategic Advisor
- 2010 – 2016 University of Colorado, Boulder (Academic)
Affiliate of Environmental Studies | Geography | Faculty Sustainability, Social Entrepreneurship, and Innovation, Researcher | Adjunct Professor
- 2012 – 2013 One Earth Future Foundation, Research and Development (Think Tank)
Founder’s Researcher | Senior Research Associate
- 2001 – 2007 United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
Oceanic & Atmospheric Research (R&D), Office of International Activities (Government)
Program Management and Analyst, Latin America and Caribbean - Principal Investigator US Department of State Oceans, Environment, and International Scientific Affairs grant (2002-2004)
- 1999 – 2001 United States Department of Interior (Government)
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Conservation Training Center
Conservation Training Specialist
Detail Assignment: Researcher/Conflict Analyst, Ecological Services Field Office
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Juneau, Alaska
Detail Assignment: Researcher/Strategic Advisor, Congressional/Legislative Affairs
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of the Assistant Deputy Director of External Affairs, Public and Congressional and Legislative Affairs
- Spring 1998 United States Department of Justice (Government)
U.S. Probation Office, Federal Courthouse
Research Intern, Spring

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2010- 2016 University of Colorado, Boulder, Geography, Environmental Studies, Social Entrepreneurship
- 2012 Front Range Community College, Colorado, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 2008 George Washington University, Washington DC, Department of Geography
- 2006 University of Cambridge, England, Department of Geography & Joint Schools Postgraduate Course in Social Science Research Methods
- 2005 Escuela Agrícola Panamericana, University of Zamorano, Honduras, Department of Development, Socioeconomics & Environment
- 2002 Shepherd University, West Virginia, Institute for Environmental and Physical Sciences

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SELECT BOOKS AND JOURNAL ARTICLES

- King, Matthew Wilburn. (2009) *Political Ecology of Mangroves in Southern Honduras: Emergence and Evolution of Environmental Conflict in the Gulf of Fonseca 1973 - 2006*. Düsseldorf, Germany, Omniscipum Publishing Group. i-412.
- King, Matthew Wilburn; et al. (2016) *Environmental Governance and Peacebuilding in Post-Conflict Central America: Lessons from the Central American Commission for Environment and Development*. Series: Strengthening Post-Conflict Peacebuilding through Natural Resource Management, Volume 6: Governance and Institutions – Confidence Building (edited by Carl Bruch). United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), Environmental Law Institute (ELI), University of Tokyo, and the Specialist Group on Armed Conflict and the Environment of the IUCN Commission on Environmental Law. Earthscan Publishing. pp. 777-802.
- McClean, T. (Ed.). (2014). *Global Chorus: A 365-Person Anthology of Worldwide Concern and Enduring Hope* (pp. 378). Victoria, BC: Rocky Mountain Books.
- Seyle, Conor; King, Matthew Wilburn; (2014) "Understanding Governance," in Worldwatch Institute, State of the World 2014: Governing for Sustainability. Washington, DC, Island Press. pp. 20–28.
- King, Matthew Wilburn (2014) "Can Networked Governance Help?" in Worldwatch Institute, State of the World 2014: Governing for Sustainability. Washington, DC, Island Press. pp. 36–37.
- King, Matthew Wilburn (2014) "Should Biodiversity Offsets Help Finance Underfunded Protected Areas", World Parks Congress, Sydney, Australia. *Journal of Biological Conservation*.
- King, Matthew Wilburn et al.; (2007) "Sea Grant in Latin America: Adapting the U.S. Sea Grant Model of Linked Applied Research, Extension, and Education to a Latin American Context – is there a fit?" *Marine Policy Journal*, May, Volume 31 (3) Elsevier Publishing.
- King, Matthew Wilburn (2003). *Watershed Management*. Civil-Security Forces Environmental Cooperation in Central America and the Caribbean Conference Report; pp. 20-23, Belize City, Belize, Center for Strategic Leadership, United States Army War College, Carlyle, Pennsylvania.
- King, Wilburn Matthew; Tobey, J; Hepp, J.; Olsen, S.B.; Costa-Pierce, B.; (2004) *Sea Grant International: Final Report to the Department of State, Oceans Environmental and International Scientific Affairs Initiative Grant IAA#S-OES-03-IAA-001*. United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Oceanic & Atmospheric Research, Office of International Activities in Collaboration with the University of Rhode Island Coastal Resources Center. July.

SELECT NEWS MEDIA PUBLICATIONS/OP-EDS

- King, Matthew Wilburn (2021). "[Why the next stage of capitalism is coming](#)" British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC Future), London, UK, May 26.
- King Matthew Wilburn (2020). "[Ecuador's Kichwa Implement Innovative Approach to Rainforest Conservation](#)"; Mongabay: Global Forest Series, Menlo Park, CA, May 20.
- King, Matthew Wilburn (2019). "[How brain biases prevent climate action](#)"; British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC Future), London, UK, March 8.
- King, Matthew Wilburn (2018). "[Trump Administration Threatens US Environmental Security](#)"; Earth Island Journal, San Francisco, CA, July 2.

SELECT HONORS AND AWARDS

2022	Marshall Memorial Fellowship, German Marshall Fund of the United States.
2014	Kinship Conservation Fellow, Kinship Foundation.
2009 – Present	Roster Member, John S. McCain III, Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution.
2010	Distinguished Alumnus Lectureship, Politics and Law, University of Tulsa, Political Science.
2007	United States Department of Commerce Bronze Medal Recipient.
2006	United States Department of Commerce Leadership Award.

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SELECT INVITED TALKS, LECTURES, AND PANELS

- 2021 Political Catastrophe or the Next Stage of Capitalism by invitation from Porsche's Super Group Think Tank, Porsche HQ, Atlanta, GA, August 3.
- 2020 Post-Conflict Peacebuilding through Natural Resource Management by invitation from the International Affairs Program, "Sustainability, Democracy, and Community Engagement", University of Colorado, Boulder, April 21.
- 2014 Should Biodiversity Offsets Help Finance Underfunded Protected Areas, World Parks Congress, Sydney, Australia, November 12 – 19.
- 2013 Climate Change as a Long-Term Security Threat by invitation from Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Armed Conflict and Conflict Management Program, Stockholm, Sweden, September 4.
- 2012 Sustainable Development: A Framework for Global Environmental Governance? by invitation from the Department of Geography, "Geographies of International Development", University of Colorado, Boulder, November 6.
- 2011 Social Media, Environmental Movements and the Future of Journalism by invitation from School of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Colorado, Boulder, March 31.
- 2010 From God and Oil into the Forest Distinguished Alumnus Lectureship in Politics and Law, Henry Kendall College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Political Science, University of Tulsa, Oklahoma, March 3.
- 2009 Developing Corporate Best Practices for Social and Environmental Responsibility by invitation from the Leeds School of Business (MBA Program), Department of Management, Topics in Sustainable Development, University of Colorado, Boulder, March 31.
- 2008 Institution Building for Environmental Security, Environmental Security Dialogues by invitation from the United States Southern Command and the United States Army War College, Miami, Florida, July 23.
- 2006 Session Convener and Chairman: Geographies of Environmental Conflict, Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers Annual Conference, September 30, 2006 London, England
- 2006 "Knowledge, Power, and Politics in Environmental Conflict, southern Honduras 1973 – Present", Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers Annual Conference, London, England, September 30.
- 2006 The Blue Revolution 1970 – Present, Presentation by Invitation from the University of Cambridge, Ivory Tower Society, Cambridge, England, November 13.
- 2004 Changing the Narrative: Environmental Ethics in Contemporary Society, Guest Speaker and Workshop Instructor by Invitation from the Washington Ethical Society, Washington DC, USA, March 28.
- 2003 "Environmental Basis of Political Stability in the Gulf of Fonseca", Environmental Security Conference sponsored by the United States Southern Command and the United States Army War College in cooperation with the Central American Commission for Environment and Development, Belize City, Belize, July.
- 2002 US Delegate, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration: Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Central American System for Regional Integration-Central American Commission for Environment and Development (SICA-CCAD), Regional Conference on Environment and Sustainable Development, Belize City, Belize; March.

SELECT MEDIA INVITATIONS

- 2020 Good Morning Europe, Euronews, Lena Roche interview on "[Why Humans Tend to Resist Change When Faced with Major Threats](#)," conducted via satellite, Lyon, France, July 24.
- 2020 Euronews-NBC Universal – Lena Roche interview on Cognitive Biases and Climate Change, conducted via satellite, Lyon, France, January 21.
- 2007 The Price of Prawns, Joint Presentation and showing of the documentary with BBC Senior Producer for the Natural History Unit, Jeremy Bristow, by Invitation from the University of Cambridge, Ivory Tower Society, Pembroke College's Old Library, Cambridge, England, February 8.
- 2006 ABC Affiliate 97.7 Radio Program Interview on Carlyle This Week: Good Morning Guatemala, Public Diplomacy invitation from the United States Embassy Guatemala and the United States Agency for International Development, "National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Sea Grant International Efforts in Latin America and the Caribbean," Guatemala City, Guatemala, August 11.