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The global enterprise gee experience was really enriching and fruitful to my life, during the development of our project, I had the valuable opportunity to share, teach and learn from people of New Zealand, UK (they are studying over there, but also we have the cultures of India and China of their home countries) and even in my own country, Colombia. No doubt each of them showed their cultural strengths as well as individual skills and talents, as part of a group, each one of us could show abilities and knowledge, being tolerant and respectful all the time with other ideas and concerns. Every one shares the feeling of seeking a common welfare and the successful realization of our project. Our main challenge was about how to make our main idea profitable. To achieve this, each one has assigned a specific task, in which he/she felt more comfortable and strengthened to carry out the task in the most successful and professional manner possible. At the end we all together find out in our tasks strong strategies and ideas to develop it and how to cover the costs so that it is sustainable, taking into account even the challenges and barriers that we can deal through the way. We learn to appreciate indigenous people and understand that even when they live with low incomes and with their daily labor, international companies and people can develop ideas to integrate them to societies, without change their traditions and beliefs, using the human resource and gifts they have from historical times, and also learn about caring our planet for the futures generations.

As we were beginning to work on ideas, some members did not appear and I did not know what happened to this others, and we gradually leaving at the end those who we were really committed to the project, I remember when it was made the decision of the hours in which we will meet, i saw that we had meetings at 5am and 6am Colombia hours, while the schedules of the other countries were more preferential and flexible, but i always supports Dan and let him make his work easier, adapting myself to what was best for the group. Even though the hour, many times we entered to talk in the campfire chat just Dan, Maria Alejandra and me, and spent hours and chatted and discussed ideas of the project, but the other members never came to meetings and then came messages excuses (it was always so). At first Maria and i talked with Dan and we were not according to the origin of the natives he wanted, but we like the idea and began to emerge are important concepts that allow us to bring a major project.

It really was an experience that showed me the discipline and commitment that i must have with a working group, even though i work and study simultaneously and time is scarce for me, always try to make my group feel that the support was always there, i was the last in choosing task allowing others to do it first and choose the one they would be able to develop better, i always suit the times, even when i was constantly late for work and had to make excuses and apologizes, and always gave my best. I remember a week that lack of economic resources cut my internet at home and that week we must to join the team meeting, so I had that day to get up at 3:30 am, get organized and take a bus to the office to be able to connect at 5am, as in my country the transport service is very bad, it was very slow to pass the first bus in the morning, so while i was on the bus it was already 5am and i had to call and tell everything to Maria Alejandra by cellphone and know what was happening, but in the end everything went well, although I was really exhausted that day the rest of the day. Similarly, i had some difficulties but always look not failing to see my team and my commitments. In other meeting I was so sick with flu at home trying to give ideas, but as the other members never appear and they said they will in 1 hour more i gave my ideas and run out to go to the doctor, and again called Maria to advise her, because i run out without said nothing, because I was feeling so so bad, and maybe Dan will think something wrong is happening. But at the end i learn a lot from this experience, I learn to be more discipline, more clearly with my ideas, more strong to give my points but taking into account others points or respecting what the others think about my ideas, I am more tolerant to other cultures now, I learn a lot of customs and ways of life differently from my own, now I see that in my near future working with multiculturalism issues at work, family or life it will be more open and agreeable for me, being tolerant and respectful for the others believes.