ERA4211 - Global sustainable goals

2 ECTS

Introduction & Objectives

This learning activity is part of the EU ERA421-Foundations And Regulations Of Sustainable Development (5.0 ECTS credits).

This course is intended as an introduction to current environmental problems and international policy responses.

Learning content

The module deals with:

- current environmental issues and the Anthropocene;
- the origins and definition of "sustainable development";
- the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations and their translation into the strategies of various countries and companies;
- The strengths and weaknesses of SDGs.

Learning Outcome

By the end of this module, the students must be able to:

- Define and use the basic terminology related to environmental issues and European environmental law;
- Identify the context in which European and international sustainable development policies have been developed and implemented;
- Understand the role of various actors and institutions in shaping and implementing those policies;
- Understand the meaning and the concrete implementation of the general principles of European environmental law into national laws
- Analyze the implementation of sustainable development policies in a company's strategy;
- Develop a critical approach of the successes and failures of sustainable development policies.

Methodology

Online and offline class activities, theoretical approach of the basic concepts, individual preparations at home (students will have to read articles, consult websites,...), research, case studies and presentations as group assignments

Learning material

Course notes, Powerpoint presentations and resources on Moodle (articles, videos, websites, assignments, quizzes...).

Evaluation

20% Continuous assessment (assignments)

80% Final exam