



Module Description

Module name: Sustainable Finance			
Course form	Credit	Duration	Language
Online Workshop	5 ECTS	1 week intensive course	English

1) Qualification goals / Outcome:

Aim of this intensive workshop is 1.) to understand macroeconomic workings of climate change as the background of sustainable finance; 2.) to analyse financial assets with ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) criteria attached to them and their markets and important institutional players; 3.) to develop a critical perspective on the current setup of sustainable finance; 4.) and to synthesise this knowledge by applying it on in-depth case studies.

2) Course content:

The workshop addresses the macroeconomic consequences of climate change in countries which hold a subordinated integration in the international financial system; the workings of financial markets and its agents; the current scope and extent of ESG finance and its most important agents; current developments such as regulations aiming to mainstream green finance; the critique and possible alternatives to ESG finance.

3) Teaching methods:

The workshop consists of preparatory work in the form of preparing the compulsory readings or watching prerecorded material, followed by a mix of lectures and discussions among all participants or within break-out rooms. Each student is asked to conduct a case-study of either a country, a type of financial asset or a financial agent against the backdrop of ESG finance.

4) Kind of module:

It is up to the programme coordinator whether this module is compulsory or elective. It is particularly suitable to be included in study programmes of economics, political science and/or finance. Depending on the prior knowledge of the students, this course is suitable for advanced study programmes as well.



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5) Requirements for participation:

The participants are asked to be fluent in English in reading, speaking and writing. They should be ready to actively engage in the discussions, have an interest in learning about the subject matter and seek for support when facing potential difficulties.

6) Requirements for granting credit points

a) contact times	b) self-study	c) exam preparation	d) marking
30 h	30 h	90 h	yes

e) assessment pattern

The workshop is successfully completed after an active participation in the course and the final (unmarked) presentation of the case studies. If ECTS points were to be gathered, the assessment is based on the quality of the essay.

7) Module coordinator

The module is carried out by the Netzwerk Plurale Ökonomik e.V.
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8) Module teaching staff

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