

Sustainable Development Driving
Systems-Change through Leadership and
Innovation



Integrating Strategic Frameworks and Technical Knowledge

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Summary: In this interactive course, you will combine your technical knowledge with strategic frameworks to explore how complex systems can be shifted. We will examine strategic frameworks, using in-depth case studies from across Europe, Africa, and the Americas, where the faculty have used these frameworks in support of transformational change. You will then have the opportunity to apply the frameworks to your own projects.

Students: Bachelor or Master

Pre-requisites: None

ECTS: 2 (20 in class hours) = 1 CH





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Syllabus

MODULE 1: Megatrends, Complexity & Agreements

Overview of global and social megatrends, leading in complexity and systems thinking exploring agreements that change. *Exercise*: Basic agreements you have seen change and/or that you have been part of changing. Case studies.

MODULE 2: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Leadership & Innovation

Exploring the SDGs, their interdependence and hyper-connectedness. Examine sustainability leadership and innovation. Understanding the Systemic Strategy practice. Examine shifts in systems, technical and social innovations. Case studies. *Exercise*: Define a sustainable development issue you care about and describe some technical and/or social innovations in that system. How systemic strategy can add value to your innovation processes.

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#### Syllabus (continued)

#### MODULE 3: Sustainable Self

For a system to change, individuals need to change. Personal values, attitudes and beliefs will be explored, aligning actions with values, to support the personal resilience and agility necessary to be a successful change agent. How to develop co-hosting capacities.

*Exercise*: Undertake a self-assessment exercise, reflecting with others and journaling your learning insights. Co-hosting other's contributions.

#### MODULE 4: Agreements Structures in Systems

Define agreements structures in health and environmental systems.

Case studies.

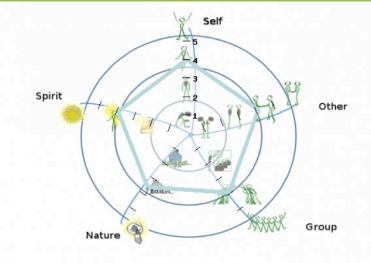
*Exercise*: Describe agreement structures in a system you care about.

#### **MODULE 5: Shifting Agreement Structures**

Define processes for shifting agreements structures in health and environmental systems. Explore innovation ecosystems. Case studies.

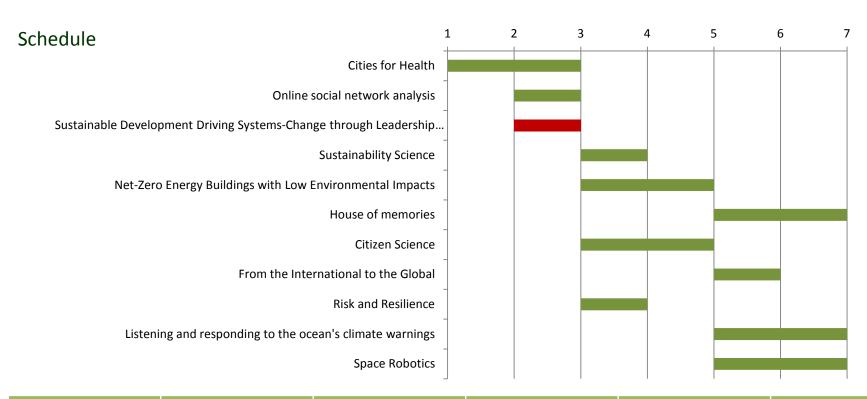
Exercise: Apply process to the agreements structures in a system you care about. Consider what could be done now, in 1-year and 5-years to close the gap and explain how this is different from current efforts.







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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Megatrends, Complexity & Agreements	Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Leadership & Innovation	Sustainable Self	Agreements Structures in Systems	Shifting Agreements Structures in Systems



# Leading in Complexity: Driving Systems-Change for Sustainable Development as Change Agents

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Dr. Ritchie-Dunham leads global practice for Vibrancy in 39 countries and global research for the Institute for Strategic Clarity and the Global Initiative to Map Ecosynomic Deviance and Impact Resilience (MEDIR).



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