SDG LABS – Harnessing the potential of the Social Economy towards a green transformation through the establishment of Socially Driven Green Labs within Universities Project number: 2021-1-PL01-KA220-HED-000032077

Socially Driven Green Labs Summer School (Erasmus+)

Venue and Dates – 18th-24th September 2023, Prague.

Aim - The Summer School will offer an intensive and stimulating learning experience where students will be presented with real-world community environmental challenges and collaborate on projects taking inspiration from local social entrepreneurs and green sector organisations. The SDG Summer School aims to foster students with the necessary knowledge and forward-looking skills of future green entrepreneurs. It will provide adequate information on employment opportunities within the green sector and better explore the potential of the Social Economy for achieving green growth. Mainly through the learning activities of the Summer Course, students will be introduced to environmental sustainability issues and the main areas of the green economy where the Social Economy is leading the way.

Participants: University students (Master's and PhD) in Social Economy related fields (Business Administration, Social Sciences, Economics etc.) selected from the project partner universities from the Czech Republic, Greece and Poland.

Program Overview:

- Summer school is based on mixed methods, including a participative non-formal approach. Students will be included in the educational process and get a chance to influence future courses (or parts of courses) taught at their institutions. This means it will be fun and useful with a real impact on your education, but also, we need you really there for all five days and the following online phase.
- Introduction to environmental sustainability issues and the main green business sectors where SE is applied (e.g. renewable energy, sustainable housing, the circular economy, sustainable food systems).
- Study field visits, where students will be provided with real-life business experiences in green-related fields.
- Students will be supported on how to ideate on their own socially driven green business solutions.
- Experts will provide a solid foundation to point out social and environmental problems and present opportunities to take action, including the use of case studies.
- Students will be able to test their green business ideas using simulation models based on causal-loop diagrams and understand the consequences of accurate business decisions/actions.
- Students will contribute to the co-production of the learning/teaching materials on presented green topics.
- Reflection sessions aimed to identify the areas of further improvement. Particular focus will be given to encouraging students' self-reflection upon their learning journey.

Language of the course: English

Certificate/School points: Each participant, upon fulfilling requirements, will get a certificate and possibly points (depends on school agreement).

Travel and accommodation: Costs will be covered for participants coming outside of the Czech Republic (participation is for free and inclusive, but no travel expenses are foreseen), so for Greece and Poland.

Participation Fee: None.

Apply here (Before 15th July 2023): https://forms.gle/TKGMkcs3RuDSAGYx7

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