



Development of an International Master's Programme "Sustainability-driven Entrepreneurship". Using a European multi-stakeholder approach



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- "Competencies for A sustainable Socio Economic development" (CASE)
- EU Erasmus+ Knowledge Alliance / 2015-2017
- Lead: Vienna University of Economics and Business
- Participants from Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Sweden
- Develop a Joint Master's Programme on Sustainability-driven Entrepreneurship
- Building up and working in a strong Knowledge Alliance
- <u>http://www.case-ka.eu/</u>







Agents of change towards a post-growth society (Parrish and Foxon, 2009; Kyrö, 2015)

- Sustainability-driven entrepreneurship meets ecological, social and economic challenges
- Main goal: creating innovative sustainable business ideas / start-ups

Competencies

Entrepreneurial competence is "the ability to identify and pursue entrepreneurial opportunities within a specific position and context" (Lans et al., 2014, p. 39)

Competencies for sustainable entrepreneurship (Lans et al., 2014, p. 43), such as embracing diversity and interdisciplinarity, interpersonal competence, strategic management competence, and entrepreneurial self-efficacy.





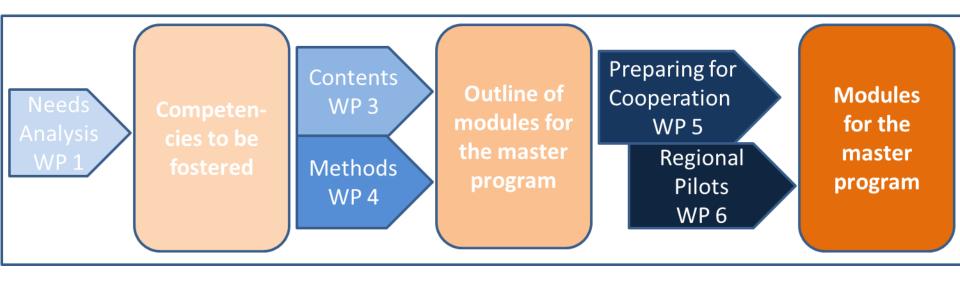
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Development process

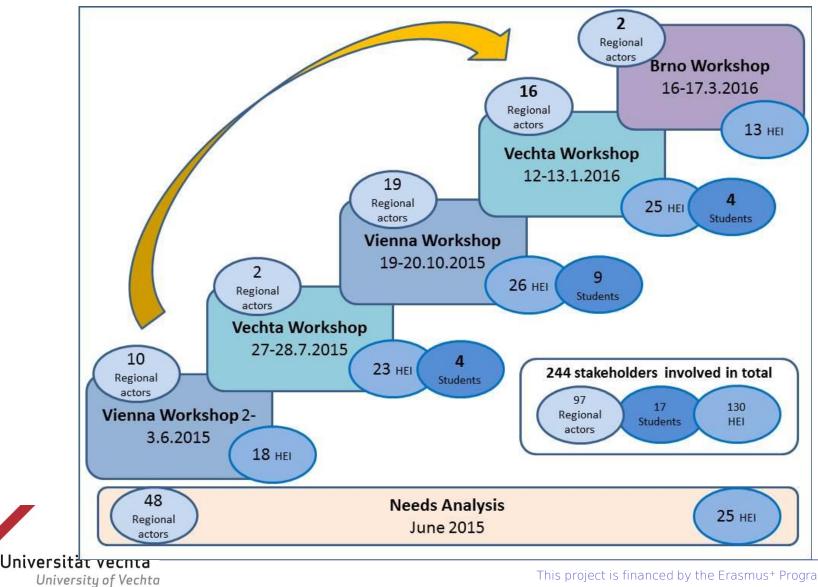








Multi-stakeholder approach





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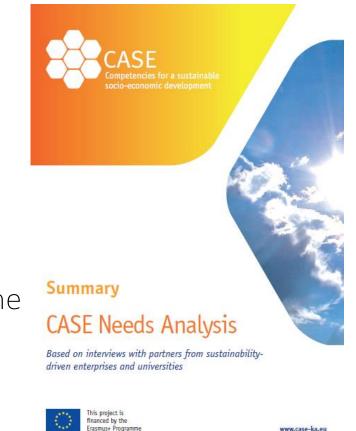


CASE Competencies for a sustainable socio-economic development

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- Analyse what competencies are needed for sustainability-driven entrepreneurship according to
 - Sustainability-driven
 entrepreneurs/enterprises
 - Teachers for entrepreneurship and sustainability
- → fundament for the development of the Master's programme
- Create a basis for a sustainable
 network of companies and universities

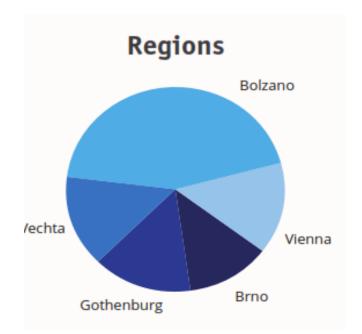






Interview partners from 5 regions – diversity concerning:

- Geographic location
- Economic development
- Socio-economic challenges
- Higher Education

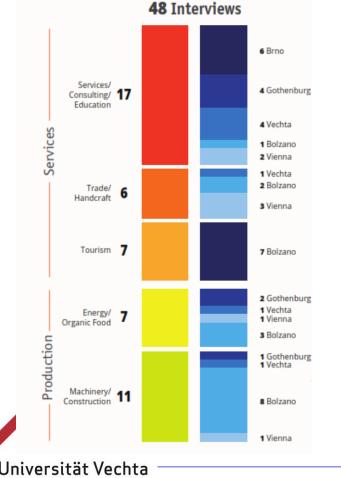






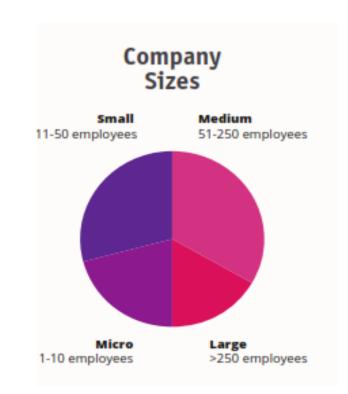
Sustainability-driven business partners

Diversity of sectors



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Diversity in size



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- Framework of competencies to be fostered
- Suggestions for
 - Contents
 - Teaching and learning methods
 - Learning settings with cooperation formats





Multi-stakeholder approach

Series of 5 workshops

- with all stakeholder groups
 - Teachers _
 - Sustainability-driven entrepreneurs/businesses
 - Students
- in 3 regions
 - Austria, Germany, Czech Republic
- discussing
 - Competencies
 - Contents
 - Teaching and learning methods
 - Cooperation formats
 - Draft versions of the master curriculum

Real-life check Processing feedback

> Reworking master program



CASE Multistakeholder Workshop, Wiener Stadtwerke Holding, December 2016







Success factors

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- Participative and interactive formats
- professional facilitation: performance approach, culture of dialoge, encouraging processual learning
- heterogenous participants from all target groups
- → Emerged social learning through diverse experiences, reflection, generalisation and transfer

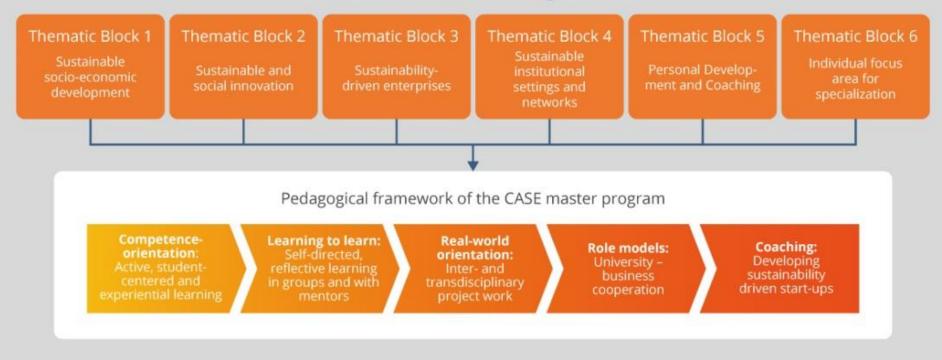


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Sustainability-Driven Entrepreneurship Joint Master Program







CASE-Master program on Sustainability-driven Entrepreneurship					
Target: Fostering competencies for sustainability-driven Enterpreneurship to support a sustainable socio-economic transformation in society					
Target Group: All students interested in Sustainability-driven Entrepreneurship/Intrapreneurship					
Bridging courses					ECTS
Semester 1	1.1 Transformation and Sustainability	1.2 Sustainable Economy	1.3 Interactions in multi-scales	5.1 Personal Development and coaching 1	30
	Transformation and Sustainability	Sustainable Economy	Interactions in multi-scales		
	First Week Challenge - Defining 'Sustainability-driven Entrepreneurship'	Excursions to Pioneers	Regional Sustainability Challenge - 1/2		
		Methodology and Tools 1	Methodology and Tools	Creativity and opportunity detection	
Semester 2	3.1 Pioneers of Sustainability: Intra- and Entrepreneurship	3.2 Sustainable Organisation and Management	2.1 Processes and Managment of Innovation	5.2 Personal Development and coaching 2	30
	Pioneers of Sustainability: Intra- and Entrepreneurship	Sustainable Organisation and Management	Processes and Managment of Innovation		
			Methods on innovation management	Development of sustainable business idea and model	
	Impact	Finance	2.2 Regional Sustainability Challenge 2/2		
Semester 3	4.1 New institutional settings and Mulistakeholder networks	6.1 Elective Courses for specilization	6.2 Regional Hot Spots and thematic challenges	5.3 Personal Development and coaching 3	30
	New institutional settings and Mulistakeholder networks	Elective Courses for specilization OR Internship	Regional Hot Spots and thematic challenges		
				A week of fear and failure	
				Developing a Sustainable Business Plan	
Semester 4	4.2 Mulistakeholder conference	6.3 Internship	5.4 Master Thesis		
	Mulistakeholder conference	Internship OR Elective Courses for specialization	Master Thesis		30







Testing different cooperation formats with (business) partners in all regions

- Service-learning
- Participatory research
- Guest lecturers as role models and for feedback
- Part-time internships to realise projects autonomously

Pilots

The next step in WP 5 and WP 6 of the CASE project is to pilot some of the courses or whole modules as proposed in the CASE master program draft.

During this phase the different regions of the CASE project will test and evaluate courses that address the outlined contents and use the recommended methods.

Doing this, a strong focus will be on testing different cooperation formats between higher education institutions (HEIs) and business partners as well as innovative teaching methods for transdisciplinary teaching and learning with a particular focus on sustainability-driven entrepreneurship.

Vienna Pilot

One of these activities is a new edition of the "Sustainability Challenge" being an inter- and transdisciplinary university course on sustainable development in cooperation with four Viennese universities.



The initiative educates leaders of tomorrow through service learning projects and encourages students to develop their own business solution together with business partners.

Find out more about the Sustainability Challenge

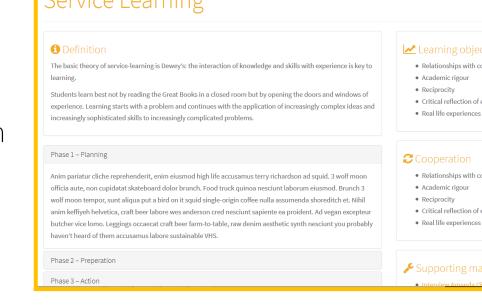






Sharing knowledge and ideas with interested universities, teachers, business partners and students

- Outline of modules
- Experiences and outcomes from pilots
- Guide, how to structure and organise different cooperation formats Service Learning
- Material on teaching and learning methods for teachers
- Background knowledge on teaching and learning approaches





- Relationships with community
- Critical reflection of experience
- · Relationships with community
- Critical reflection of experience
- Real life experiences

🔑 Supporting material







Challenges

- Structural differences (number of credits, number of modules, beginning and end of semesters, forms of assessment,...)
- Implementing the programme at all partner universities

Transnational implementation with

- Enrollment universities
- Mobility universities







We are happy to discuss your ideas and interests. Please contact us!

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