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International Institute for
Industrial Environmental Economics

Course curriculum for IMEN56 Thesis Project

1. General information
Course code: IMEN56
Course title: Thesis project
Main field: Environmental Management and Policy
Master Level. Advanced level A2E.
Credit points: 30 ECTS
Language of instruction: English
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2. General Description of the Course
The thesis project constitutes the fourth semester of the IIIEE masters programme in Environmental Science, Policy and Management (MESPOM). The project builds on the previous three semesters in general, and particularly important is the learning done in the ARPEA (individual research paper) course. The thesis project is a compulsory part of the programme.

3. Learning outcomes
On completion of the course the student shall be able to

- demonstrate ability of gaining in-depth knowledge of one particular topic of environmental management and policy while also giving account to the wider context in which the chosen topic belongs
- plan and execute an advanced assignment applying appropriate scientific principles
- handle inter-disciplinary challenges in a structured manner
- interact with professionals relevant to the field of study
- integrate and analyse knowledge from literature and primary information in a critical and systematic manner
- give proper account for input and ideas from other persons, ie adequate referencing and citation
- communicate clearly - in writing and orally - findings and the arguments and information on which these arguments are based

4. Course content
The course allows the student to apply knowledge and skills in a specific area of sustainable consumption and production. The course is an individual undertaking with an element of peer learning from review and discussion of each others efforts. The student works closely together with the assigned supervisor throughout the period. A second supervisor may be assigned to the project, and this co-supervision may be carried out by one of the partner universities.

5. Teaching and assessment
The course is designed as an individual assignment. Supervision is provided individually. Grading is based on the thesis submitted at the end of the course, and the oral presentation may affect this grade.

Grading scale
The following grades are used: Fail -3 – 4 – 5 (TH).

6. Prerequisites
Students should have completed the first three semesters of the MESPOM programme

7. Literature
There is no general mandatory reading for the course.