Master of Science Circular Innovation and Sustainability



Bern University of Applied Sciences - School of Architecture, Wood and Civil Engineering - School of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences - Business School

Module Title	Social entrepreneurship
Code	MCCf233
Degree Programme	Master of Science - Circular Innovation and Sustainability
ECTS Credits	3
Workload	 90 hours 14 hours contact teaching 76 hours self-study
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Lecturers	Possible complementary/guest lecturers will be announced before the start of the module.
Entry Requirements	 Prerequisite: MCCf013 Introduction to circular economy MCCf213 Circular business models
Learning Outcomes and Competences	 Through this module, students: develop their pitching skills; experience collaboration in teams. After completing the module, students will be able to: evaluate business ideas in terms of sustainability impact; know the different funding instruments and partners for raising funds for a project.
Module Content	 Social entrepreneurship has gained importance in recent years to address significant challenges such as poverty or the climate crisis. It is a source for change towards a more sustainable economy. This module explores the potential of social businesses in relation to your circular business ideas. We will: reflect on the definition(s) and the potential of social entrepreneurship; analyse your circular business ideas (created in the course 2.1 circular business models) in terms of social- and environmental-sustainability; fine-tune some of your circular business ideas in relation to social entrepreneurship; learn to pitch and sell these circular business ideas, to acquire initial funding.
Teaching / Learning Methods	 Contact teaching (group discussions and workshops) Project-based learning in teams Peer-to-peer and external feedbacks

Assessment of Learning Outcome	 Oral presentation (40%) Final report (60%)
Conditions of assessment repetition	 In case of failure, students can either: Realise a new assignment defined by the module coordinator at next re-examination period. Retake the full module next time it is offered. NB: in MSc CIS, failed modules can only be repeated once!
Format	2 lessons per week over 7 weeks
Attendance & Compulsory session	Not compulsory
Timing of the module	Spring Semester
Venue	On-site
Location	Bern
Bibliography	Literature will be provided before the start of the module via Moodle.
Language	English
Links to other modules	 MCCf213 Circular business models MCCf313 Society and Technology MCCf443 Impact assessment MCCf453 Circular design
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