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1. Virtual education for excellence

The course allows participants to take advantage of the enormous possibilities offered by the new information and communication technologies to access high-quality training and information, while overcoming distance and geographical barriers. The tools for teaching, practical, and autonomous learning are mediated using virtual environments that integrate, in a central learning portal, the tools, content, resources, and a knowledge sharing space to ensure a teaching-learning experience of excellence.

2. Context

This course is developed within the framework of the initiative "Global Cooperation for Climate Action: Southern engagement with climate negotiations and commitments 2020-2023", implemented by Fundación Avina, with the support of the Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences Ecuador, and the United Nations university – Vice-Rectorate in Europe (UNU-ViE), thanks to funding from the IDRC of Canada

2.1 Overall objective

Increase knowledge and capacities to improve climate action in countries of the Global South and their involvement with the Paris Agreement ambition cycle.

2.1.1 Specific objectives

- Understand how the climate ambition cycle contributes to the implementation of the commitments set out in the NDCs.
- Apply the criteria for the design, monitoring and verification of goals and indicators that encompass to the report of the contributions foreseen in the NDCs.
- Identify opportunities for climate innovation, including practices, methodologies, technologies, and knowledge of state and non-state actors.
- Determine the climate rationale and the resources available to design bankable climate projects.
- Design the profile of a climate action / innovation project (applicable for the public sector or non-state entities).

2.2 Learning outcome

At the end of the course the participant will be able to develop a concrete project profile for a "Transition towards a resilient society with net-zero carbon emissions", and the design of climate solutions in the context of a post-pandemic recovery.

2.3. Curriculum content*

Module 1 Climate Ambition Cycle

Provides sufficient knowledge about the climate ambition cycle under the Paris Agreement, which includes the process of submitting, reviewing and reporting the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and Long-term Strategies (LTSs) towards the 2023 Global Stocktake.

Module 2 Monitoring and Reporting of Climate Action

Introduces the basics of monitoring and reporting climate commitments. Addresses the importance of reliable data for evidence based decision-making and making use of appropriate indicators for NDC report.

Module 3 Climate Innovation

Provides the criteria and examples for identifying, developing and improving opportunities for climate innovation, including diverse knowledge, technologies, practices, and management strategies for a just transition.

Module 4 Climate Finance

Review the climatic rationale needed to prepare a bankable results-based project within the climate finance readiness framework, while enhancing sustainability efforts for post-pandemic recovery.

Module 5 Climate Solutions Workshop

Facilitates the design of a climate solution project profile based on methods, skills and knowledge acquired in previous modules.

2.4 Participants

The course is aimed at young professionals from Madagascar, Niger, Uganda, and Zambia, who are promoting or working on issues related to climate action and demonstrate leadership in developing proposals for climate solutions. In the process of selecting the participants, Impulsouth will apply criteria for affirmative action to foster the participation of women and people with special needs.

^{*} Course content will be available on the eLearning platform in both English and French. The main language of instruction during live sessions will predominantly be English. Instruction in French will be incorporated where possible.

3. Admission requirements

3.1 Applicant profile

- Young professionals (age 18 to 40 years old), from Madagascar, Niger, Uganda and Zambia.
- Highly motivated individual with at least 1–2-year professional work experience in climate change management or other related topics.
- Have a climate-themed concept to expound on and design a project for a "Transition to a resilient society with net-zero carbon emissions."
- High level of self-discipline in the management and scheduling of the required study time to allows you to achieve the learning objective and outcomes within the course.
- Ability to work independently and with a team.
- Proficiency in English language (understanding, writing, reading and speaking).
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- Have access to reliable internet connection.
- Fill out the application form and send a letter of endorsement from your institution (optional) along with a copy of your identification card or passport to impulsouth@ehs.unu.edu

3.2 Admission process

- Complete the online application at the following link (Question Pro);
- Formalize the registration on the UNU platform (link will be sent to admitted applicants).

The course is free of charge for selected participants. Once the application has been reviewed, selected participants will be notified.

3.3 Calendar

Activity	Date
Opening of the application and registration process	13th February 2023
Application information session	27th February 2023
Application Deadline	8th March 2023
Notification of admission Only selected candidate will be contacted	14th April 2023 (onwards)

3.4 Schedules

- The course will involve a combination of self-paced learning and synchronous (live) sessions.
- Modules 1-4: Each module will take 3 weeks, incl. 1 week for work on an assignment, and 5 hours of synchronous tutoring sessions.
- Module 5: Climate Solutions Workshop will run in parallel with weekly synchronous sessions of 2 hours each.
- Specific dates will be communicated.

3.5 Contact Information

Project website: https://impulsouth.org/

Links to application form: : https://unuehs.questionpro.eu/Impulsouth2023

Link for information session:

https://avina.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlqf-2urDgvE9IRSXxqeTP4nkUOVRU36AIY

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