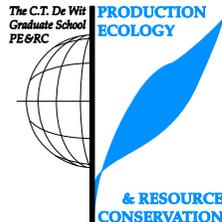




Wageningen School
of Social Sciences



POST GRADUATE COURSE

Grasping Sustainability

Explore and understand sustainability, the different concepts, objectives and methodologies to improve the impact of your research

22 - 26 February 2016

Lecturers:

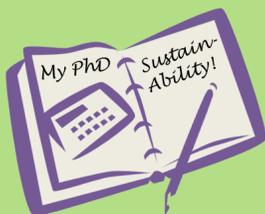
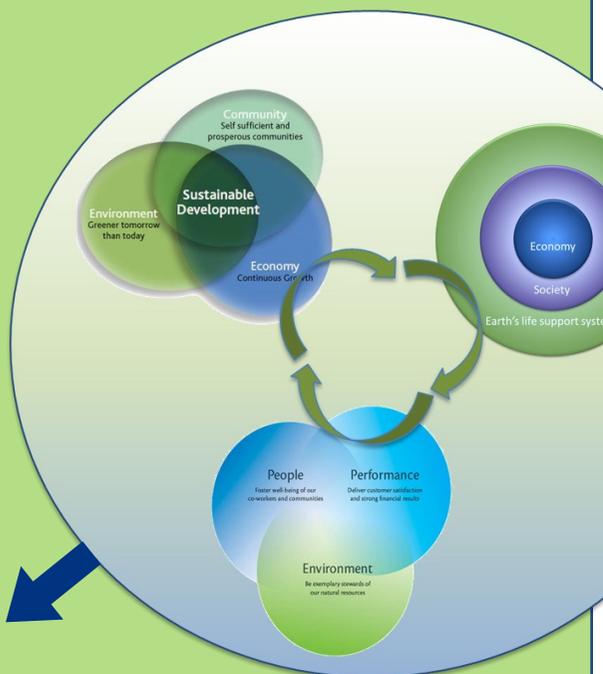
Prof.dr. Bert de Vries

Prof.dr. Rik Leemans

Drs. Miriam van Gool

Ir. Jan Paul van Soest

Dr. Barbara van Mierlo



How can you as a scientist contribute to solutions for urgent global and local sustainability challenges?

Scope

To date, many different scientific concepts and approaches of sustainability exist. What are the differences and what do they entail? How can *you* achieve sustainable development? How can you apply sustainability in your own research? Moreover, what is your role as a scientist and how can you deal with facts, insecurities, values and opinions?

This on-site course will enable you to grasp sustainability and to apply concepts and approaches to your own research, in a collaborative learning environment.

To ensure that the content of the course is aligned to your own research, the content of the course will also be determined by the research topics of the participants.



Learning goals

- Be acquainted with and understand different concepts, objectives and approaches of sustainability
- Be aware of and be able to deal with the science - policy interface
- Be able to relate world views to goals and issues of sustainable development
- Describe ways of enhancing societal and environmental impact in research phases and in relation to societal change processes
- Be able to apply sustainability concepts, objectives and approaches to your own research
- Effectively and successfully deal with group processes

Course programme

| Date | Activity | Focus | Lecturers |
|--------|--|---|---|
| 22 Feb | Lectures Debate | 'Sustainability' the bigger picture | Rik Leemans and Miriam van Gool |
| 23 Feb | Lectures and debate Lecture and game | Sustainability and the science - policy interface World views | Jan Paul van Soest Bert de Vries |
| 24 Feb | Lectures, interactive session Excursion | Research methods and application in Sustainability Sustainable mission of commercial company | Bert de Vries Interface, Monique Gulickx |
| 25 Feb | Workshop Self-study in groups | Transdisciplinary approaches Process learned for own and each other research | Barbara van Mierlo |
| 26 Feb | Presentations | Pitches from participants 'Sustainability in research' | Monique Gulickx and Rik Leemans |

Target group

The course is meant for (starting) PhD candidates, MSc students of the SENSE Honours Programme, and other scientists who want to understand and achieve sustainable development and innovation, and are interested in ways to incorporate sustainability in their research.

Registration

Please, apply online at: www.sense.nl/grasping-sustainability
 Registration deadline: early bird 24 - 01 - 2016
 final: 01 - 02 - 2016

Course fees

| | Early bird Fee * (deadline: 24-01-2016) | Fee * (deadline: 01-02-2016) |
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| SENSE, PE&RC, WASS PhD candidates with an approved TSP | € 240 | € 290 |
| All other PhD candidates, postdocs and academic staff | € 480 | € 530 |
| Participants from the private sector | € 1000 | € 1050 |

* Accommodation, food, drinks and excursion included

Location

Congrescentrum De Werelt
Westhofflaan 2
6741 KH Lunteren

www.congrescentrum.com/nl/De-Werelt-Lunteren/Contact-De-Werelt

Information

For more information and registration see:

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