Module title    Global Changes and Sustainable Development – RWTH Aachen      Identifier    3015865      Duration (Semester)    one semester      Cycle (Semester)    winter semester      Valid from    winter semester 2017      Valid until    Master
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Content This course is an introduction to the graduate program in Sustainable Water and Energy Management. focuses on sustainable development and global changes - vital issues for humanity - with specific attent to the challenges in Egypt and developing countries and their transition from unsustainable to sustainable development. Topics include examples of unsustainable development and global challenges, rethinking established ways of production and consumption; solid waste management, types of green business, the interrelationship between local and global challenges, economic growth, population growth; finding new ways of greening economics, water challenges and opportunities, renewable energies and energy efficiency, green building, sustainable agriculture, and climate change. The course covers also the integrated approaches to Water-Energy-Food Nexus and possible applications. The course prepares the students to face the community challenges and enable them to introduce the concept of sustainable development in the form of action plan
Learning Objectives/ Learning Outcomes On completing this course, the student should be able to: • Understand and analyze the interrelationship and interdependency between global changes and human activities. • Understand and evaluate a broad view of factors and barriers in local actions related to water, solid waste management, energy, agricultu and consumption/production management that have led to concern about unsustainable development and global changes. • Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the field of sustainable development and ability to introduce change in the community that leads to sustainable development. Acquire skills necessary to make change through engagement in a community-based project.
(Study-Specific) Prerequisites None
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Language English
<b>Examination Terms</b> Graded written exam. There are no admission requirements for attending the written exam.
Miscellaneous

Module coordinator	UnivProf. DrIng. Heribert Nacken					
ETCS credits	5					
Contact time (WSH)	2					
Examination duration (min)	0					
Total hours (h)	120					
Contact hours (h)	30					
Self-study hours (h)	90					
Exam node (Kennung)						
Title		ECTS Credits	Contact time (WSH)	Recommended Semester (Study start winter)	Recommended Semester (Study start summer)	
Exam Global Changes and Sustainable Development (301586501)		5	0	3rd semester	no semester recommended	
Offer node						
Title		ECTS Credits	Contact time (WSH)	Recommended Semester (Study start winter)	Recommended Semester (Study start summer)	
Lecture Global Changes and Sustainable Development		-	2	3rd semester	no semester recommended	
Exercise: Global Changes and Sustainable Development		-	0	3rd semester	no semester recommended	