

ANESCo - Alumni Network for Ecology, Sustainability and Conservation

Announcement

5th International ANESCo Alumni Project Seminar:

"Making our Food Sustainable: How Global Initiatives Link Food Security and Climate Protection"

24. June – 02. July 2022, Siegen/Bonn (Germany)

Mission

The project seminar addresses international alumni of Master programmes at German universities qualified in the fields of sustainability, ecology and / or conservation. You are cordially invited to take part in the alumni project seminar in the context of the international alumni network ANESCo ("Alumni Network for Ecology, Sustainability and Conservation")!

The ANESCo group was established in 2013 for exchanging information and international project-related cooperation between established and ongoing experts focussing sustainability, climate protection, ecology and nature conservation worldwide. After fruitful project seminars in 2013, 2015, 2017 and 2019 in Germany and Nepal ANESCo comprises more than 80 active members from about 35 countries worldwide (check: https://www.anesco-global.net).

Targets

- Providing knowledge and skills on hot topics of sustainable development as sustainable food supply, food security, and climate protection by inspiring exchange with invited experts and other alumni as well as visits of international institutions of development cooperation, higher education, and private enterprises.
- Learning how to "Develop a successful crowdfunding campaign" and "Improve Sciencepolicy communication skills" by participation in expert workshops and self-organised group work.
- Special focus on good practice examples from Costa Rica, provided by regional experts.
- Be the change you are waiting for: Developing an own ANESCo crowd-funding-campaign and a partnership for a self-selected climate protection project in the global south.
- Compensate at least 100% the own green house gas emission footprint produced by the conference and travelling
- Strengthening the international network between each other and with other experts and initiators of sustainability processes e.g. by further profiling and broadening the ANESCo group and by meeting representatives of HEIs, development cooperation, foundations, schools, policy, administration and NGOs.

The alumni project seminar will be hold in English and host 30 alumni participants.

Conference Venue

Arche Noah Marienberge - a holiday and conference residence close to nature

Our conference venue is situated in a rural area near the village Elkhausen not far from the town Siegen and ca. 100 km east of the city Bonn. (https://www.marienberge.de).





Preliminary Programme

Part I: Preparatory Online Meetings in May and June (á 2-3 hours)

Meeting 1 (probably May 20): Welcome and Kick-off, with impulse talks from organisations of development cooperation

Meeting 2 (probably June 10): Developing a crowd-funding campaign and partnership for a climate protection project in the global south with presentations of potential climate protection projects by the alumni

Part II: Presence Meeting at Arche Noah Marienberge nearby Siegen and Bonn

	Morning (9-12)	Afternoon (14-17)	Evening (19-)
Fri, 24.06.		Arrival Alumni	Open Meeting
Sat, 25.06.	9:00-10:30: Welcome, alumni slide show 11:00-12:30 Kick-off Session introduction 1 "Sustainable Food Systems and Climate Change Mitigation Worldwide I"	14:00 - 16:00 Introduction 2 "Sustainable Food Systems and Climate Change Mitigation Worldwide II"	19:00 – 20:30 Alumni Public Presentations with discussions,

Sat,	alumni which are not present): Presentation of results and papers including discussion 9:30 Departure	Project seminar summary & evaluation,	
Fri, 01.07.	9:00 – 10:00: Group Work Finalisation of presentations 10:30 – 12:30 Group Work: Live Session 2 (with online access for	14:00 – 15:30 Networking 16.00 – 17.00: ANESCo Network- Meeting: Outlook on future activities 17:00 – 18:00	20:00 Party
Thu, 30.06.	9:00 – 12:00: Group Work: Report writing (Funding concept),	14:00 – 15:30: Excursion/Walk in the vicinty (networking, reflection, recreation) 16:00 – 18:00 Group work. Report writing.	19:30 – 21:00 (optional) Group Work continuation
Wed, 29.06.	9:00 – 10:30 ANESCo Network- Meeting 11:00 - 12:30: Group Work: "Climate Protection Crowd-funding-Campaign Development"	14:30 - 17:30 Visit of Eco Farm / Food Producer	19:00-20:30 Group Work: "Climate Protection Crowd- funding-Campaign Development" 20:00 Open stage: cultural presenta- tions & activities
Tue, 28.06.	08:00 Trip to Bonn 09:00 - 11:00 Visit of GIZ and impulses by alumni. Discussion on cooperation opportunities 11:15 - 13:15 Visit and presentation of UNESCO and impulses by alumni. Discussion on cooperation opportunities.	15:00 - 17:00: Visit and presentation of the "Initiative 4 Promille" at the University of Bonn and mpulses by alumni. Discussion on cooperation possibilities .	19:00 - 20:30 Group Work "Climate Protection Crowdfunding- Campaign Development"
Mon, 27.06.	9:00 - 12:00: ½ Day Workshop A: "Scientific communication in sustainable policy making: How to use scientific expertise for supporting sustainable and resilient societies", ½ Day Workshop B: "Campaigning & Crowdfunding Tool Kit",	13.30 – 15.00: Excursion/Walk in the vicinty (networking, reflection, recreation) 15:30– 18:30: ½ Day Workshops B & A (continued, see morning session)	free
Sun, 26.06.	9:00 - 11:30 Group Work Kick-Off: introduction to practical group work, adjustments of working concept and start of group activities	14:00 - 15:30 Networking 16:00 - 18:00 "Linking Food Security and Environmental Sustainability: Good Practices in Costa Rica and Worldwide"	20:00 Warm-up Party

Costs & Funding

Travel and stay expenses

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and STUBE are kindly supporting the project seminar. 100% of the stay expenses and ca. 75-100% of the travel will be financed.

- **a. Stay expanses** (accommodation, food, excursion guides and local bus and rail transports) are covered 100%.
- **b. Travel expenses**: Due to limited funds and currency uncertainties it will probably not be possible to re-fund these expenses completely. Participants will get a flat-rate travel allowance covering about 75% 100% of their travel costs. The amount of the flat-rate travel allowance will be standardized for each country, depending on the availability of funds.

Travel costs to the conference venue and back home have to be paid in advance by the participants. The refund will be realized within 2 months after the ending of the project seminar.

Seminar Fee

The project seminar intends to completely compensate its carbon footprint (ca. 120.000 kg CO_2eq).

Therefore a seminar fee will be charged. Participants can – depending on their financial resources - choose between the following options:

- **a. 50.00 EUR Basic Fee** which covers ca. 70% of the prospected mean footprint.
- **b. 70.00 EUR Standard Fee** which covers 100% of the prospected mean footprint.
- **c. 100.00 EUR Solidary Fee** which covers ca. 140% of the prospected mean footprint.

With the payment of the fee you accept your participation. The fee has to be paid before April 15th, 2022. Bank transfer information will be delivered with the official invitation in the beginning of March.

Places of accepted participants who do not pay their fee in time (i.e. until April 15th, 2022) will be offered to other applicants.

How to apply

Please submit

- 1. APPLICATION FORM (attachment)
- 2. short CV with photo (ca. 1 page)
- 3. short MOTIVATION LETTER including a description of your relation with and your expertise of sustainable food supply and climate protection (ca. 1/2 page)
- 4. short DESCRIPTION of an already existing CLIMATE PROTECTION PROJECT in the global south as a suggestion for the ANESCo crowd-funding campaign (ca. 1-2 pages). The description should entail: (1) Project location, (2) leading institution(s), (3) Project objective & tools, (4) brief project history, (5) effect on climate protection (if possible including yearly green house gas reduction in tons CO2eq)

Please send all documents via e-mail until March 10th, 2022 to: tiemo@uni-greifswald.de.

Applicants of the STUBE network are requested to apply via: stube@dwbo.de

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