

## BEUR306 The Environment and Sustainable Development

ECTS Value     5 ECTS

### Overall Objectives and Outcomes

Sustainable development aims to develop a sense of identity and belonging to the local, national, regional and global community. This module aims to stress the importance of sustainable development in the protection of the environment, highlighting the measures being taken at the local, national and European level as regards the conservation of the environment. It aims to instil respect for Europe's environment and its biodiversity.

By the end of this module, the learner will be able to:

### Competences

- a. critically display comprehensive understand of the environment and its biodiversity;
- b. establish the connection between sustainable development and the protection of the environment;
- c. analyse the effects of development on the environment.

### Knowledge

- a. identify the different types of environments, pollution and sustainable development across Europe;
- b. recognise cases where sustainable development is being carried out at the local, national and European level;
- c. understand the main changes that sustainable development brings about in an interdependent Europe.

### Skills

- a. show how development can negatively affect biodiversity;
- b. determine the main causes, effects and possible solution of pollution;
- c. determine the importance of sustainable development in the protection of the environment.

## Mode of Delivery

This module adopts a blended approach to teaching and learning. Information related to the structure and delivery of the module may be accessed through the IfE Portal. For further details, kindly refer to the Teaching, Learning and Assessment Policy and Procedures found on the Institute for Education's website.

## Assessment Methods

This module will be assessed through: Critical Analysis, Presentation, and Practical Assignment

## Suggested Readings

### Core Reading List

1. Atkinson, G., Dietz, S. Neumayer, E. and Agarwala, M. (2014) *Handbook of Sustainable Development*. Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd UK E-ISBN: 978-87-403-2417-4
2. Bryden, J.M., Efstratoglou, S., Ferenczi, T., Johnson, T., Knickel, K., Refsgaard, K. and Thomson, K.J. (2011). *Towards Sustainable Rural Regions in Europe: Exploring Inter-Relationships between Rural Policies, Farming, Environment, Demographics, Regional Studies in Development and Society*. UK: Routledge.
3. Elliott, J. (2012). *An Introduction to Sustain Development*. UK: Routledge
4. Govindarajan, V. *ABC of Sustainable Development* ISBN: 978-87-403-2417-4
5. Sachs, J.D. (2015). *The Age of Sustainable Development*. US: Columbia University Press