

TRansdisciplinary course on sUSTainable Finance

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The TRUST Finance Project aims to design, implement and upscale a Transdisciplinary Master-level course on Sustainable Finance. It results in providing students with knowledge about sustainable development and sustainable finance skills, growing future leaders and preparing future engineers and finance executives for the challenges of tomorrow.

The TRUST Finance project brings together four European higher education institutions from France, Germany, Finland and Ireland in order to obtain the best results.

Brief highlights of the Project progress as of December 2023 are as follows:

The work on the project started and a kickoff meeting took place in Paris in March 2022. Partners discussed plans and agreed on first tasks.

In 2023, transnational project meetings were held in Dublin (February 2023) and Cologne (September 2023). Additionally, the project team had a 3-day staff training in Kouvola (May 2023) and discussed and reviewed the whole course structure, and organized several virtual meetings. Partners planned the TRUST Finance course Pilot and development of the course materials and further collaboration.

The project team developed course materials for the first Pilot of the transdisciplinary course for students from IPAG, CBS, LUT and TU Dublin.

Part 1 of the TRUST Finance course was piloted in October 2023 in Moodle. It started with the 21-day challenge. Next, the engineering students started learning the Principles of Finance and the finance students the Innovation and Technology for Sustainability modules. Part 1 includes interdisciplinary peer teaching. In addition, students refresh and improve their quantitative analysis skills. The course will continue in 2024.

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