

# NEWSLETTER August 2016





#### Welcome

Dear students,

In less than three weeks the minor Sustainable Development will start its eighth edition. The programme has been updated and teachers are preparing for another exiting half year of interdisciplinary studies. Your motivation letters show that you are excited too, so that makes a good start!

With this newsletter we would like to give you all the essential information you need before the start on Monday 5 September.

## Registered participants

The call for applications has been closed and we reached the maximum capacity of students, as we received more than 70 applications from 25 different disciplines! We are also very happy to welcome 3 international students, as well as 4 students from other Dutch universities.

### Schedules, Manuals, Literature, Blackboard



The schedule and manual of the Big Issues New Answers course are available on <u>Blackboard</u> (at 'Course Information'), so please enroll in Blackboard as soon as possible. Also the literature and assignments will be posted here. For those of you who do not have access to Blackboard yet, you can also find the schedule <u>here</u> and at the <u>E-prospectus</u> page of the minor. Schedules are subject to change, so please check Blackboard regularly for updates. You will receive an e-mail (umail)

when new updates are posted.

Almost all mandatory literature can be found on Blackboard. Some articles will be send to you through *We Transfer* in the week of 5 September; so please check your Umail regularly.

#### Introduction Week: Save the date!

The minor will start on <u>Monday 5 September at 09.00 in the Van Steenis Building, room E001</u>, with a week of introduction activities and the start of the first Module. **Please be on time (09.00!)**, because the signing in and picture taking will take some time.



We're proud to present to you the key note speaker to open the minor Monday morning this year: **Lucas Simons**.

Lucas Simons was the founder and director of <u>UTZ Certified</u>, and author of the book '<u>Changing the Food Game</u>' (2014). He is also the founder and CEO of two consultancy companies:

NewForesight, working on sustainable market transformation; and <u>SCOPEinsight</u>, working on

farmer professionalism. In 2013 he was ranked 6<sup>th</sup> in the TROUW (newspaper) top 100 most influential Dutch persons in Sustainability.

#### Stayokay Trip

We're busy creating a fun and interesting trip to the Stayokay Noordwijk, from

Tuesday 6 to Wednesday 7 September. The programme is still a surprise, more information will follow soon. Please check <u>Blackboard</u> for the packing list and travel directions (at 'Course Information'). We will go there by bike, so make sure not to bring too much luggage with you, because you have to carry it yourself.

We subsidise almost 60% of the stay, we ask you for a small contribution of € 20,- to make all of this possible. You can bring the € 20,- cash with you on Tuesday. We assume you'll all join the lodging at the Stayokay. If not, please let Marloes know as soon as possible because of the reservations we have to make.

## **Important dates**

The table below shows the important dates of the three courses: <u>Big Issues New Answers (BINA)</u>; <u>Designing Sustainability Solutions</u>; and the <u>Area Study Sustainability Netherlands</u>. Instead of participate in the Area Study Sustainability Netherlands there is the course <u>Area Study Sustainability Philippines</u>. This course has a limited number of places. In September there will be an information session about the Philippines course.

Course / Module	Time schedule	Examination date
Introduction & start BINA: Module Sustainability & Governance	5 September – 20 September	20 September uploading opinion paper
BINA: Module Biodiversity	21 September – 5 October	t.b.a.
BINA: Module System Earth and Climate Change	7 - 21 October	t.b.a.
BINA: Module Economy & Technology	24 October – 4 November	2 November
Preparation week BINA final exam	7 – 14 November	14 November final exam BINA
Designing Sustainability Solutions	16 November – 23 December	23 December
Area Study Sustainability Netherlands / Area Study Sustainability Philippines	2 – 27 January	27 January

# **More information**

More information about the minor Sustainable Development can be found in the following links:

- Minors page at the CML website
- Movie former minor students about the programme
- Animation movie about the minor

- Form to register your interest in the minor
- Facebook page
- Website for the CML Master Industrial Ecology

If you have any questions, please contact Marloes by email: minor@cml.leidenuniv.nl, or by phone: 071 527 1477.

Looking forward to see you 5 September!

Best Wishes,

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