

ELTT (Enabling Leadership for Transformational Teaching and Learning for Sustainable Development) is a new professional training program provided by the Sustainability Team of the University of Zurich targeting university educators. The program supports capacity building for leadership in higher education for sustainable development (ESD). Universities can contribute to sustainable development by their teaching and research, and by improving their own operations (see also principle 8 of the Rio+20 Treaty on Higher Education).

- Universities educate future leaders in politics, industry and society and therefore have great replication potential.
- They are a persistent part of the community reflecting challenges and contributing to social and technological innovation through their research.
- They are key institutions in our societies contributing to life in urban and suburban regions as employers, consumers, and educators.

Therefore, capacity building for leadership in ESD is of great importance. This is also reflected by the fact that building ESD capacities among educators is one of the five focus areas of the UNESCO Global Action Programme on ESD, which was launched in November 2014. Two other focus areas of this programme are the «whole of institution» approach – addressing the institutional transformation of teaching and learning environments towards sustainability – as well as «advancing policy» for the integration of ESD into education systems.

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## Continuing Education

# ELTT

Enabling Leadership for  
Transformational Teaching and  
Learning for Sustainable Development

Training Program  
Sustainability Team  
University of Zurich

2015

# Course Overview

## Objectives

- Within one year, participants
- acquire competences for embedding sustainable development in courses or programs,
  - reflect on sustainability in their working environments and develop initiatives for systemic improvement,
  - receive peer support for implementing ideas for sustainable development in courses, programs, and institutions,
  - become part of an international network of ELTT peers and enable continuous exchange.

## Course participants

ELTT is open to university educators from all Swiss universities (both academic universities and universities of applied sciences) and disciplines.

## Number of participants

Up to 25 participants

## Methods

The program has three main components:

- ELTT Workshops: Eight workshops, each of approximately three hours, provide input and opportunities for exchange on a variety of topics (see content). The workshops also provide support in developing individual or collective sustainability initiatives.
- ELTT Handouts: For each of the eight workshops, handouts will provide insights into theory and practice of the current discourse of sustainable development in higher education.
- ELTT Webinars: Eight webinars will provide expert inputs from international perspectives. Participants of ELTT will have the opportunity to enter into direct exchange with the experts through online forums.

## Language

The course will be taught in English.

## Degree

Participants will receive a Confirmation of Participation.

## Content

- 10/2015 Webinar: Setting the frame: From global programs on ESD to local implementation in higher education
- 23/10/2015 Workshop: Kick off: Learning to know
- 11/2015 Webinar: Taking leadership for implementing transformative ESD
- 20/11/2015 Workshop: Learning to know
- 12/2015 Webinar: Competences for ESD
- 18/12/2015 Workshop: Learning to do
- 01/2016 Webinar: Methods for teaching ESD
- 29/01/2016 Workshop: Learning to do
- 03/2016 Webinar: Learning through assessment
- 18/03/2016 Workshop: Learning to live together
- 04/2016 Webinar: Multi-stakeholder learning and regional centres of expertise on ESD
- 22/04/2016 Workshop: Learning to live together
- 05/2016 Webinar: ICT for ESD and sustainability research
- 20/05/2016 Workshop: Scaling up ESD practices and initiatives
- 06/2016 Webinar: Scaling up sustainability: From margin to mainstream
- 24/06/2016 Closing Workshop: Scaling up ESD practices and initiatives

## Expert speakers

- Prof. Ibrahim Abouleish, Sekem Group and President, Heliopolis University for Sustainable Development, Egypt
- Prof. Thomas Dyllick, Director, Institute for Economy and the Environment, University of St.Gallen, Switzerland
- Dr. Zinaida Fadeeva, Senior Specialist, Institute for the Advanced Studies of Sustainability, United Nations University, Japan
- Prof. Lorenz Hilty, Sustainability Delegate and Professor of Informatics and Sustainability, University of Zurich, Switzerland
- Dr. Alexander Leicht, Director Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) Programme, UNESCO Paris, France
- Mahesh Pradhan, UNEP – Global University Partnership for Environment and Sustainability, Director of Education and Training Unit, UNEP, Kenya
- Prof. Dzulkifli Abdul Razak, President, International Association of Universities, Malaysia
- Prof. Uwe Schneidewind, President, Wuppertal Institute, Germany
- Dr. Kim Smith, Director RCE Greater Portland, Portland Community College, USA
- Prof. Daniella Tilbury, Vice-Chancellor, The University of Gibraltar, Gibraltar

## Program coordination

- Sustainability Team, University of Zurich
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  - Prof. Dr. Lorenz Hilty, Sustainability Delegate

## Partners

The following local and international partners support the ELTT program by financial or personal support:

- Sustainable Development at Universities Programme, which is supported by the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences and the Stiftung Mercator
- Faculty of Economics, Business Administration and Information Technology, University of Zurich
- Faculty of Science, University of Zurich
- Institute of Business Education and Educational Management, University of St. Gallen
- COPERNICUS Alliance – European Network on Higher Education for Sustainable Development
- International Association of Universities (IAU)
- Global University Partnership for Environment and Sustainability (GUPES)
- Global RCE Service Centre at the Institute for the Advanced Studies of Sustainability, United Nations University (UNU-IAS)

## Cost

The program starting in 2015 is the pilot implementation and therefore free of charge. The development of the ELTT program is supported by our partners and co-funded by the «Sustainable Development at Universities Programme» of the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences and the Stiftung Mercator. Future implementations of the program (starting in 2016) will have to cover their costs.

## Venue

Zentrum für Weiterbildung (Center for Continuing Education)  
University of Zurich, Schaffhauserstrasse 228, 8057 Zurich  
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