

Call for Applications

## One-week-Multilogue on Ecological Transformation taking place in Uppsala, Sweden, October 23-27 2023

**The Munich School of Philosophy and the Newman Institut in Uppsala, Sweden, are organizing a multilogue on ecological transformation in Uppsala in October 23–27, 2023. A limited number of Leuphana students will be able to travel to Sweden to participate in the whole event. Travel and accommodation will be covered for you by the Erasmus+ project “Blended Multilogues”!**

In accordance with the Paris agreement, national governments are aiming at preventing man-made global warming from exceeding 2 degrees above pre-industrial levels. Because of this, politicians are now focusing on reducing the emission of greenhouse gases, in particular CO<sub>2</sub>, through regulation, taxation, and other means. But the excessive emission of greenhouse gases is part of a greater problem. Excessive resource use seems to be built into the very fabric of modern civilized economies. And while man-made global warming is at the forefront of many discussions, scientists are warning also of the ongoing poisoning of soil and oceans, and the extinction of species with the resulting disruptions to ecosystems, and more. In order to safeguard a hopeful future for all, societies must be transformed so as to become both ecologically and socially sustainable. Living within planetary boundaries is an attainable goal. However, finding new ways requires new thinking and new ways of collaborating at all levels of science and society. In turn, successful collaboration, requires openness and curiosity and willingness to learn on all sides.

The purpose of the event is to learn by multilogue: By opening up a space for inclusive communication, we may explore important and truly complex discussions in an effective way, as well as participate in those discussions. We will explore problems and solutions around some important areas of socio-ecological transformation. The students will form international teams and pursue independent research and engage in discussions with the other teams, with experts, and with other interested parties. The aim of the multilogue is to facilitate a form of cooperation where the knowledge, experiences and skills of all involved parties will be made accessible.

The event is part of the project *Blended Multilogues: Enhancing Transformation and Innovation in Higher Education – an Erasmusplus project aiming at the development of new innovative approaches to learning that enable collaboration on shared problems and transformative challenges.*

*[Optionally, students can join digitally a reading group organized by Uppsala, officially starting Monday, August 28, in Uppsala, with hybrid meetings. The reading group will explore a diverse set of social-philosophical texts relevant to the theme of the multilogue. However, participation in the reading group is **not** necessary to participate in the Multilogue week.]*

**All Leuphana students are invited to apply for participation!** To apply for participation in the whole event and the trip to Sweden please send an email (without picture) using the keyword '**ML on ecological transformation**' to [multilogues@leuphana.de](mailto:multilogues@leuphana.de) by **Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup>**, 2023.

In the email, you should let us know who you are, which program and semester you are studying and please elaborate on your passion for the topic of social-ecological transformation.

Besides, all participating bachelor students have the opportunity to have their participation recognised for either the module Mediality-oriented Approaches to Humanities or Mediality-oriented Approaches to Inter- and Transdisciplinary Sciences of the Complementary Studies, if interested. To get the recognition for one of these modules, students are asked to submit a combined scientific research work with either inter- and transdisciplinary or philosophical focus, respectively after their return. All bachelor students interested in getting the recognition of the event for one of the two Complementary Studies modules, please let us know the focus you would like to choose and additionally, attach your current transcript of records showing all Complementary Studies modules already completed.

We expect all applicants to be highly interested in the topic of social-ecological transformation, to participate actively in all program points and to possess intercultural sensitivity, openness and ability to work in international groups in English.

The Leuphana multilogue team is looking forward to receiving your application!