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Online Seminar

“UN Sustainable Development Goals in Universities”

29 April, 2021

10.00 -12.30 CET



The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the Global Goals, were adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030.

Universities has crucial role in the achievement of the SDGs as society can ensure sustainable development via education, research and innovation. It is vital to understand how universities can effectively use SDGs in their everyday activities.

The seminar main goals are:

- To learn national approaches and strategies towards SDGs;
- To study the successful cases in research, teaching and management;
- To understand the role of community cooperation;
- To measure possible impact on international recognition and position in rankings (i.e. Times Higher Education Impact Rankings).

Timing and outline: 2,5 hours with three keynotes and discussion panel

Keynote speakers:

Martin Eriksson, Network Manager of Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Northern Europe, Gothenburg Centre for Sustainable development

The UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Northern Europe links knowledge to action in order for society to implement the SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement. The network connects Nordic knowledge institutions to localize, teach and promote the SDGs, and support their implementation by generating, applying and disseminating knowledge.

Turo Kilpeläinen, President and CEO, LAB University of Applied Sciences

Finnish Universities of Applied Sciences recently adopted new very ambitious Sustainable Development and Responsibility Program “Sustainable, Responsible and Carbon-Neutral University of Applied Sciences.”

Representative of the Times Higher Education on Impact Rankings (TBA)

The Times Higher Education Impact Rankings are the only global performance tables that assess universities against the SDGs. We use carefully calibrated indicators to provide comprehensive and balanced comparisons across three broad areas: research, outreach and stewardship.

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