

Introduction to a Green Economy: Concepts and Applications

**E-Learning Course, 6th Edition
27 October – 19 December 2014**

Registration Deadline: 19 October

Background

The concept of a green economy is receiving increasing international attention, as countries explore new patterns of development that take into account economic, social and environmental sustainability considerations. The ability of national actors to act on the green economy is key for effective policy making and achieving tangible results. To address this challenge, UNITAR is working closely with UNEP, ILO, UNIDO, and UNDP, in a new Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE), with a focus on national capacity development.

Target Groups

The course targets groups and individuals interested in obtaining a general understanding about the green economy concept and latest developments. They include:

- Civil servants in national Ministries, provincial departments and local authorities
- Diplomats from Permanent Missions and Ministries of Foreign Affairs
- Environmental managers in private sector and NGOs
- Faculty, researchers and students
- Interested citizens

Learning Objectives

Participants will learn about different concepts and facets of the green economy, as well as global, national and sector-specific challenges and opportunities to advance low-carbon, resource efficient and socially inclusive development. Additionally, participants will begin to develop basic skills for applying the green economy concept in a real world economic, policy and/or personal context.

After completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Define the concept of a green economy and explain its value
- Distinguish relevant planning processes in support of a green transformation
- Identify enabling conditions for greening national economies
- Discuss principal challenges and opportunities to advance a green economy
- Recognize the range of international and regional green initiatives and support services to foster green development
- Apply the green economy concept to a real world economic, policy and/or personal context

Methodology

The course pedagogy is adapted to professionals in full-time work. Participants are provided with the opportunity to learn through various experiences: absorb (read); do (activity); interact (socialize); and reflect (relate to one's own reality). The total number of learning hours is 45 over an 8 week period. During weeks 1-5 the reading of an e-book is complemented by a range of learning activities and experiences that include interactive exercises, discussion forums, and an applied case study. Weeks 6-8 are reserved for wrap-up and completing course assignments.

The course has recently been reviewed by independent experts in the sphere of e-learning and adult education and awarded the ECB Check Certification, an internationally recognized standard on quality of e-learning education.

Testimonials from Previous Editions

"Everyone who wants to understand how to foster a green transition empowering the poor must take this course".

"I appreciated the extremely flexible course format. The materials, quizzes, and other elements enabled very efficient learning".

Course Registration And Fellowships

A number of full/partial fellowships are available for participants from developing countries working in the public sector, academia or non-profit organizations. For more information on the fellowship application process, please contact: envgov@unitar.org. For non-eligible participants the course participation fee is 800 USD.

Register at:

<https://www.unitar.org/event/introduction-green-economy-concepts-and-applications-6th-edition>

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Fellowship Application:

Application deadline: 10 October 2014

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Under PAGE global capacity development strategy, the ITC-ILO in Turin is hosting a two-weeks Academy on the Green Economy (06 – 17 October 2014). For more information see: [Academy on the Green Economy](#)



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