

Module on International Nature Conservation

for Master students.

The five-day course at the Isle of Vilm will give interested students the opportunity:

- to broaden their knowledge on current issues and tools in international nature conservation,
- to receive first-hand information and discuss with those actively involved, and
- to create a platform for networking and information exchange.

The module will contribute to qualify Master students for future work in international conservation organisations and for scientific tasks related to international nature conservation.

Course content and structure

The course will cover the following topics:

- International Governance Framework for Biodiversity Conservation
- Biodiversity Trends and Conservation Approaches
- Protected Areas
- Marine Nature Conservation
- Strategic Conservation Planning

The course will consist of lectures, interactive discussions, role plays and working groups.

The course language will be English.



Trainers and Resource Persons

The sessions will be delivered by trainers and experts from various organisations according to the respective expertise and to also reflect different actors in nature conservation, such as the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation, the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), consultancies, development cooperation, etc.

Crediting

Each student will have to prepare a contribution for a given topic (to be assigned after application) such as preparing and delivering a presentation, preparing a poster, taking a role in a simulation game or preparing a case study. The course is offered as facultative module, elective module or mandatory module within the Master degree programmes. Credits will be issued by the respective universities according to their rules. Please contact your Master programme coordinator for details.

Costs

Thanks to financial support by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, participants only have to cover their travel expenses.

Participating master programmes and contacts

Universität Bayreuth

- Global Change Ecology (S. Thomas)

Technische Universität Dresden

- Tropical Forestry & Management (E. Auch)
 - Ecosystem Services (I. Ring)

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

- International Nature Conservation (M. Deutinger)
- Biodiversity, Ecology & Evolution (M. Deutinger)

Universität Hildesheim

- Umwelt, Naturschutz und Nachhaltigkeitsbildung (T. Richter)

Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg

- Landschaftsökologie (E. Kiel)

Universität Rostock

- Meeresbiologie (S. Forster)

Brandenburgische Technische Universität Cottbus

- World Heritage Studies (H. Schmiemann)
- Environmental and Resource Management (M. Elhag)

Hochschule für nachhaltige Entwicklung Eberswalde

- Global Change Management (C. Nowicki)

Ernst Moritz Arndt Universität Greifswald

- Landscape Ecology and Nature Conservation (T. Timmermann)
 - Biodiversity and Ecology (T. Timmermann)

Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel

- Applied Ecology (W. Windhorst)
- Environmental Management (W. Windhorst)
- Sustainability, Society and the Environment (Fr. Kruse)

Universität Potsdam

- Ecology, Evolution and Conservation (F. Jeltsch)

Venue and course organiser

The International Academy for Nature Conservation as part of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation hosts about 70 workshops annually on conservation topics of high interest in partnership with leading organisations and experts. It is located on the Isle of Vilm near Rügen, in the heart of the Biosphere Reserve South-East Rügen.

The German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation is the central scientific authority of the German federal government for both national and international nature conservation. For more information on the venue see: <https://www.bfn.de/en/int-academy.html>



How to apply

If you are interested in participating in the course, please send your **application via Email** including the following documents **by 18 November 2019** to Harald.Duennfelder@bfn.de:

- PDF-Application form incl. letter of motivation in English
- Curriculum vitae in English

Important information regarding your application:

Application form:

Please fill the application form electronically, save it to your PC and send it attached to your email. Unfortunately, we cannot accept scanned application forms.

File names:

Please use the following format for the file names of your application form and of your Curriculum vitae:

surname.forename-application.file

surname.forename-cv.file

e.g.:

duennfelder.harald-application.pdf

duennfelder.harald-cv.doc

Participants are selected based on established criteria. Confirmations will be sent out in December.