

## Stakeholder Engagement (C004383)

**Course size** *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

**Credits** 3.0      **Study time** 75 h      **Contact hrs** 32.0h

**Course offerings in academic year 2022-2023**

A (semester 1)      English      Gent

**Lecturers in academic year 2022-2023**

O'Dwyer, Katie	GALWAY02	lecturer-in-charge
Acampora, Heidi	GALWAY02	co-lecturer
Borrell Pichs, Yaisel Juan	OVIED001	co-lecturer

**Offered in the following programmes in 2022-2023**

<a href="#">International Master of Science in Marine Biological Resources</a>	<b>crdts</b>	<b>offering</b>
	3	A

**Teaching languages**

English

**Keywords**

**Position of the course**

Engaging stakeholders in the development of projects is essential to the development of public policy, decision-making, and business practice. Decision making is improved when stakeholder engagement improves communications, broadens community support for projects, and garners new resources, data and ideas. It is therefore often employed to tackle complex multi-dimensional problems like those existing around biodiversity/conservation management. Attempts to resolve problems are more likely to succeed when decision making processes consider the social environment, and try to meet the needs of the stakeholders affected by it. This course provides practical guidance on how to plan and conduct effective Stakeholder Engagement processes, with emphasis on issues related to biodiversity/conservation management.

**Contents**

- 1 Stakeholders
- 2 Stakeholder engagement
- 3 Ethical considerations
- 4 Challenges
- 5 Engagement strategies
- 6 Pros and cons of engagement
- 7 Monitoring and Evaluating (M&E) Stakeholder Engagement
- 8 Planning M&E in stakeholder engagement
- 9 Stakeholder engagement planning
- 10 Stakeholder engagement project

**Initial competences**

**Final competences**

- 1 In this courses you will be able to analyse and identify stakeholders relevant to current biodiversity and conservation issues.
- 2 In this courses you will be able to critically evaluate and select stakeholder engagement methods appropriate to contemporary issues.
- 3 In this courses you will be able to design, implement and evaluate a stakeholder engagement strategy.

4 In this courses you will be able to assess the efficacy of dissemination activities in achieving stakeholder adoption of project outcomes.

#### **Conditions for credit contract**

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

#### **Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

#### **Teaching methods**

Online discussion group, Online lecture, Guided self-study, Self-reliant study activities

#### **Learning materials and price**

Learning materials are embedded in the online learning platform oceantraining.eu/moodle

#### **References**

#### **Course content-related study coaching**

At a regular basis online Q&A sessions are organized with the teachers involved in the course. Students can also contact the teachers individually for further support.

#### **Assessment moments**

continuous assessment

#### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**

#### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period**

#### **Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

Participation, Peer assessment, Assignment

#### **Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

examination during the second examination period is possible

#### **Calculation of the examination mark**

Group and individual assignments:

30% - team plan with team peer review

70% - each individual reviews peer feedback on final team plan and uploads an individual revised plan and response letter