

ESSSR Newsletter

June 2024

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the June 2024 edition of the ESSSR newsletter!

This month, we are thrilled to present a diverse range of sustainability topics and exciting opportunities. Our goal is to inspire and inform you about the latest developments within the ESSSR network.

In this edition, we highlight recent online sessions that brought together global experts to discuss urgent challenges and share knowledge. We also invite you to participate in calls for papers, express your interest in hosting symposiums, and collaborate on sustainable development matters. Your active involvement can significantly contribute to promoting sustainable practices and sharing knowledge.

We appreciate your valued membership in the ESSSR community. Together, let's persist in shaping a sustainable future and making a positive impact on the world.

Warm regards,
ESSSR Team

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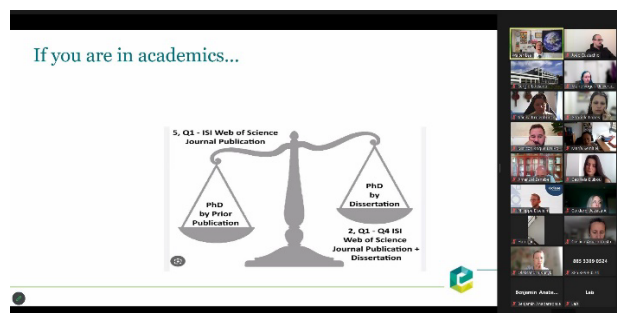
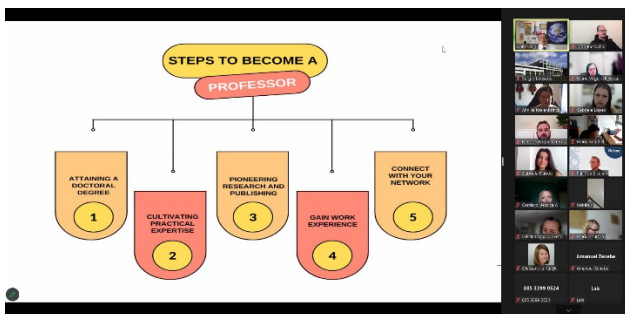
1. NEWS

SCIENTIFIC PUBLISHING, ONLINE, 7TH MAY 2024

The European School of Sustainability Science and Research (ESSSR) and the Inter-University Sustainable Development Research Programme recently organized an online seminar on "Scientific Publishing." The event took place on May 7, 2024, from 14:00 to 16:00 (CEST) and was presented by Professor Walter Leal.

The seminar covered key aspects of scientific publishing, including manuscript preparation, peer review, ethical considerations, publication metrics, and future trends.

Special thanks to Professor Leal for sharing his expertise!

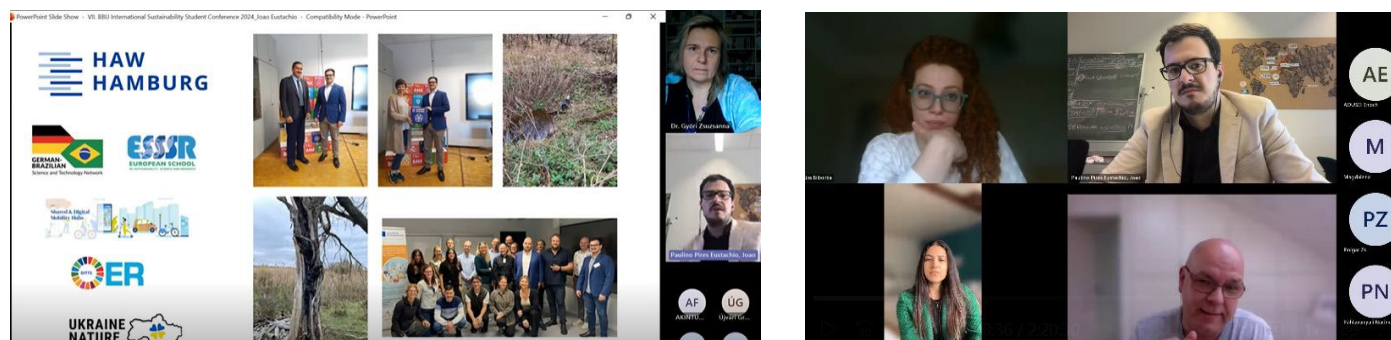


VII. BBU INTERNATIONAL SUSTAINABILITY STUDENT CONFERENCE, 26TH APRIL 2024

On Friday, April 26th, Dr João Eustachio, the Co-Executive Director of ESSSR, delivered a presentation at the VII BBU International Sustainability Student Conference organized by the Budapest Business University. The online conference attracted nearly 90 participants, showcasing the growing interest in sustainability among students and professionals alike.

João's insights undoubtedly contributed to the conference's success, highlighting ESSSR's commitment to advancing sustainability education and research globally.

Special thanks to the Budapest Business University for providing this valuable opportunity.

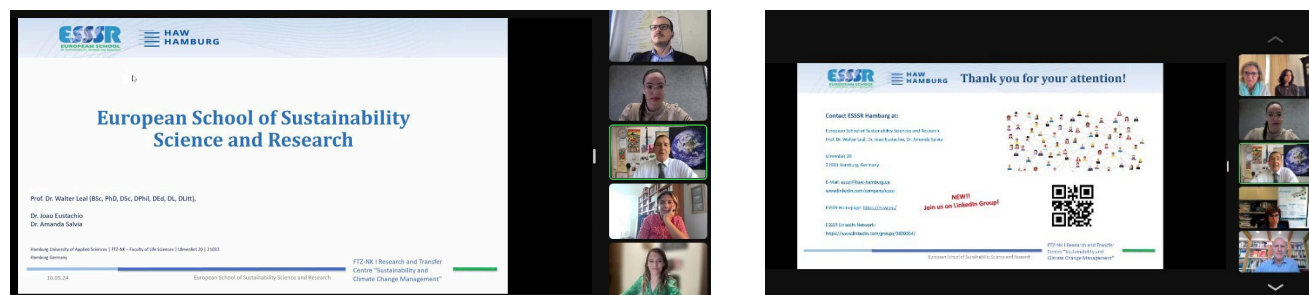


ESSSR MEMBERS' MEETING, 16TH MAY 2024

On May 16, our network offered the ESSSR Members' meeting, held online. The meeting provided a valuable opportunity for the community to come together, share updates, and discuss ongoing projects.

Highlights of the meeting included presentations on published papers, upcoming events, and various initiatives from member institutions. The innovative work happening across the ESSSR network has been truly inspiring.

The ESSSR team extends their gratitude to all members for their active participation and contributions. We look forward to the next meeting and to continuing these collective efforts in sustainability science and research.



ESSSR NETWORK LINKEDIN GROUP

Members of the European School of Sustainability Science and Research (ESSSR) are invited to join the ESSSR Network LinkedIn group: <https://lnkd.in/eb8iyKrK>

As participants, members can:

- Share news and updates about their work;
- Post and discover recent publications;
- Explore and share opportunities related to sustainability;
- Connect with like-minded professionals and researchers.

This initiative aims to build a vibrant community dedicated to advancing sustainability science and research. The ESSSR looks forward to seeing members' contributions and collaborations!



THIRD EPISODE OF THE DiTTS PODCAST – THE STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Now, we are happy to announce the release of the third episode of the DiTTS Project: "Creating Teaching Materials for SDGs."

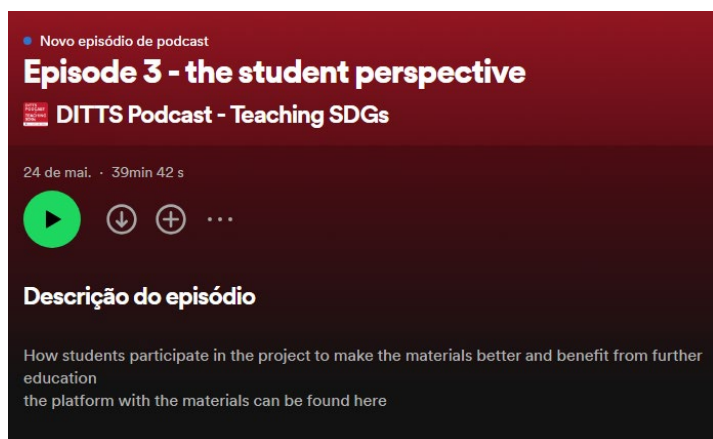
This episode was recorded by Pedro Henrique Carreta Diniz from the University of Passo Fundo and Lindokuhle D. Sibiyi from the University of South Africa, who shared their learning opportunities and experiences from participating in the DiTTS project as students from the partner institutions.

Throughout the episode, they share their insights and lessons learned from their involvement in supporting the creation of teaching materials for the project, as well as their experiences in the exchange opportunities between Brazil and South Africa.

The DiTTS project is funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and aims at developing Open Educational Resources (OER) for higher education institutions, designed to introduce undergraduate students to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

All the materials produced will be accessible on the [Digital Learning for Sustainable Development platform](#).

To listen to the podcast episode, click on the following link:
<https://open.spotify.com/episode/2hhwrX6iUK2QQr21pUq18o?si=4cf1562fe30445ec>.



2. PREMIUM MEMBERSHIP

Over and above the conventional membership, ESSSR is now offering higher education institutions interested at and active on matters related to sustainable development, the opportunity to join ESSSR via a Premium Membership.

The benefits of Premium Membership include member-only discounts, no project preparation costs, increased public visibility, the status of preferred partner, professional development and advice and support offered by the ESSSR Staff and network. All these features will be covered by the annual membership fee of Euro 2.000.

For more information, visit our website: <https://esssr.eu/becoming-a-member/> and contact us at: esssr@haw-hamburg.de

From now on, we are going to start introducing our new premium members and sharing their insights and new opportunities. In this edition, we will get to know our first two PMs:

ESSSR Premium Member Spotlight: University of Salamanca

The European School of Sustainability Science and Research (ESSSR) is delighted to highlight one of its esteemed premium members, the University of Salamanca. Known for its rich history and academic excellence, the University of Salamanca has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to sustainability through active engagement in various high-impact initiatives.



Priority Engagement Areas:

- Project Proposals
- Events Organization

-Management and Coordination Tasks

-Scientific Activities

Notable Contributions:

-Co-organizer of International Events

-Co-author in Several Scientific Articles

Key Partnerships and Projects:

The University of Salamanca is a key partner in several significant project proposals, reflecting its strategic importance and expertise in sustainability:

-Germany-Spain SDGs

-Europe-SUSTAIN

-CLIMSUSTAIN-EU

-SusEDU-Balkans

-CC-Yemen-Peace

The ESSSR is proud to have the University of Salamanca as a premium member, contributing significantly to our shared mission of advancing sustainability science and research. We look forward to continued collaboration and groundbreaking achievements in our collective journey towards a more sustainable future.

ESSSR Premium Member Spotlight: University of Latvia

The European School of Sustainability Science and Research (ESSSR) is proud to spotlight the University of Latvia as a distinguished premium member. The University of Latvia has shown exceptional dedication to sustainability, integrating sustainable practices into its core functions and fostering a culture of environmental responsibility.



Key Institutions Supporting Sustainability:

Ecocouncil:

The Ecocouncil at the University of Latvia is instrumental in driving sustainability initiatives. For more information on their activities, please visit their website.

Green University Initiative:

This initiative focuses on embedding sustainable practices within the university's operations, promoting a greener and more sustainable campus environment.

Aims and Activities:

Urgent Sustainable Development Activities: The University of Latvia engages in activities that address urgent sustainable development challenges, ensuring that pressing issues are tackled promptly and effectively.

Systematic Efforts to Address SDGs and Climate Change: The university is committed to systematically addressing Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), climate change, and other critical issues, integrating these efforts into everyday university life.

Commitment to Sustainable Development:

Science: Priority of research supporting SD, climate change mitigation, environmental problems

Studies: Each student of UL receives minimal training on sustainable development basics

University development: At future planning SD principles are considered

The ESSSR is honored to have the University of Latvia as a premium member, contributing significantly to our collective mission of advancing sustainability science and research. We look forward to continued collaboration and shared successes in our journey towards a sustainable future.

3. UPCOMING EVENTS

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM: GREEN LABS: REDUCING THE IMPACTS OF UNIVERSITY LABORATORIES ON THE ENVIRONMENT, 28TH JUNE 2024, HAMBURG, GERMANY.

The significance of sustainability has increased in recent times, but there remain certain areas that require attention in terms of initiating measures towards implementing sustainability. In particular, the domain of laboratory sustainability is one area that is often overlooked.

The utilisation of laboratories incurs energy and resource consumption that is three to five times higher than that of standard office spaces. Moreover, the constant operation of equipment and the extensive consumption of disposable plastics, such as gloves, have considerable environmental impacts. With thousands of universities worldwide operating laboratory facilities, it is imperative that action is taken to mitigate the negative environmental impacts of their operations. The exchange of information and best practices and the promotion of collaborative efforts can expedite the implementation of such changes.

The Symposium will provide an opportunity for universities around the world to present what they are doing, so as to reduce the environmental impacts of their lab operations.

The event is online and free. More details and the registration form are available here: <https://lnkd.in/eqVRCzFX>



WORLD SYMPOSIUM ON CLIMATE LITERACY, 9TH TO 11ST SEPTEMBER 2024, Manchester, UK

Climate change literacy is essential for informed decision-making and community empowerment. To address this need, the "World Symposium on Climate Literacy" is organized, providing a platform for researchers, practitioners, and educators to share knowledge and perspectives. The event aims to deepen understanding and networks across global regions, focusing on the theme "Combining the Theory and Practice of Climate Change Literacy."

Objectives include:

- a) Increasing awareness among stakeholders, including policymakers and educators.
- b) Promoting the importance of climate change literacy at all educational levels.
- c) Facilitating knowledge exchange and best practices in climate change education.
- d) Creating a platform for collaboration and networking in the climate literacy field.

The symposium encourages abstract submissions (200-300 words), through the provided form: <https://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/ftz-nk/events/translate-to-english-manchester2024/>. The event aims to inspire action by empowering individuals and communities to address climate change challenges effectively. Attendance and presentations are possible without submitting a paper.



WORLD SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AT UNIVERSITIES, 18TH TO 20TH SEPTEMBER 2024, FLORIANÓPOLIS, BRAZIL

The 2012 UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) in Rio de Janeiro produced "The Future We Want," outlining global measures for sustainable development. Subsequent symposiums (WSSD-U) in various locations spurred publications, emphasizing the need for ongoing dialogue among sustainability academics and practitioners.

Building on this legacy, the 6th WSSD-U in 2024, organized by UNISUL (Brazil), Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (Germany), and ESSSR, focuses on **"The Transformative Power of Higher Education Institutions in Accelerating the Implementation of the UN SDGs"**.

For more information about deadlines and registration, please check the website: <https://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/university/newsroom/news-details/news/news/show/6th-world-symposium-on-sustainable-development-at-universities/>.



2ND TRANSATLANTIC SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION, 10th AND 11th OCTOBER, HASSELT, BELGIUM

Strong scientific, cultural, and diplomatic ties exist between Europe and North America, particularly in the field of sustainability. To foster collaboration and discussion on the role of higher education institutions in promoting sustainability, the "Transatlantic Symposium on Sustainable Development" series was initiated.

The inaugural event, titled "North American and European Perspectives on Sustainability in Higher Education," took place at MIT in October 2023. The upcoming "2nd Transatlantic Symposium on Sustainable Development in Higher Education" is scheduled for **October 2024 in Hasselt, Belgium, focusing on "Introducing the UN SDGs in Higher Education Institutions."**

This symposium offers a platform for North American and European sustainability experts to share their work, network, and contribute to a Springer Nature book publication. The event aims to mobilize scientific communities, facilitate dialogue, and encourage cooperation between universities, research organizations, and businesses from both continents in the realm of sustainable development in higher education.

For more information about deadlines and registration, please check the website: <https://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/university/newsroom/news-details/news/news/show/2nd-transatlantic-symposium-on-sustainable-development-in-higher-education/>.



WORLD SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP (WSSL 2025), 5TH-6TH JUNE 2025, SALAMANCA, SPAIN.

The symposium offers a valuable opportunity to showcase projects, approaches, and activities that investigate or utilize leadership principles and methods as a means of guiding sustainable development in organizations. It will also facilitate networking and the development of partnerships and promote collaborative efforts for those using leadership as a tool to overcome challenges and promote sustainability initiatives.

Presenters and delegates attending the World Symposium on Sustainability Leadership will come from a wide range of sectors, including higher education staff and researchers, representatives from companies, members of NGOs working with sustainability, governmental institutions, intergovernmental agencies, and sustainability consultants.

For more information about deadlines and registration, please check the website: <https://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/university/newsroom/news-details/news/news/show/world-symposium-on-sustainability-leadership-wssl-2025/>.

WORLD SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP

University of Salamanca
 Salamanca, Spain
 5th - 6th June 2025

Submissions
 Deadline for submission of abstract:
 30th September 2024
 Deadline for submission of papers:
 20th January 2025

Registration
 Early bird registration deadline:
 30th November 2024
 Late registration deadline:
 31th January 2025



Please send your abstract to:
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4. NEW PUBLICATIONS

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We appreciate your ongoing support and active involvement with the European School of Sustainability Science and Research. Let's work together towards a sustainable future, contributing to a positive impact on our planet.

Stay connected for upcoming updates and opportunities in the sustainability field. We look forward to your participation in our future events!

Regards,
ESSSR Team