

Provisional Schedule  
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Course:

## Sustainable (ESG) Finance and Law

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**UTRECHT**

13.07.2026 - 17.07.2026

Location: to be determined in a building of Utrecht University in the center of Utrecht

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MONDAY, 13 JULY		
TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
10.00 – 10.15	Lecture	Introduction and welcome  <i>Prof. dr. Wilco Oostwouder</i> <i>(Attorney at law Loyens &amp; Loeff)</i>
10.15 – 11.30	Lecture	What is ESG, why does it matter and what is the connection with the EU action plan?  <i>Luis Mendes</i> <i>(Transaction lawyer Loyens &amp; Loeff)</i> <i>and</i> <i>Prof. dr. Wilco Oostwouder</i>
11.30 – 11.45	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.45 – 12.30	Lecture	Green, social and sustainable finance: forms, drivers and lessons learned Part I: - Development of sustainable finance market including regulatory framework: CSRD, SFDR, Taxonomy, CSDDD. - Forms: green or social loans/bonds and sustainability linked loans/bonds: elements of the ICMA and LMA riders.  <i>Luis Mendes</i>
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13.30 – 14.15	Lecture	Green, social and sustainable finance: forms, drivers and lessons learned Part II: - Drivers of the sustainable finance market: political focus, regulatory pressure (Part I), Investor appetite (SFDR), financial sector (EU Green deal), stakeholder pressure, disclosure requirements (CSRD, CSDDD). - Outlook sustainable finance market: transition planning is becoming the new norm  <i>Luis Mendes</i>
14.15 – 14.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
14.30 – 15.45	Instruction to the exam/presentations	

TUESDAY, 14 JULY		
TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
10.00 – 11.00	Lecture	Which EU regulations and directives are important for Sustainable and Intermediate Finance? Part I: Corporate Sustainable Reporting Directive ( <b>CSRD</b> ) including the effect of recent developments like the EU Omnibus 2025  <i>Menno Baks</i> <i>(Partner/Attorney at law, Loyens &amp; Loeff)</i> and <i>Sjoerd Pennink</i> <i>(Attorney at law, Loyens &amp; Loeff)</i>
11.00 – 11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.15 – 12.30	Lecture	Which EU regulations and directives are important for Sustainable and Intermediate Finance? Part II: Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive ( <b>CSDDD</b> ) including the effect of recent developments like the EU Omnibus 2025  <i>Menno Baks and Sjoerd</i>
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13.30– 14.30	Lecture	Greenwashing and other ESG litigation risks  <i>Sjoerd Pennink</i>
14.30 – 17.00	Preparation for the exam/presentations	

WEDNESDAY, 15 JULY		
TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
10.00 – 11.00	Lecture	Which EU regulations and directives are important for Sustainable and Intermediate Finance? Part III: Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation ( <b>SFDR</b> ); Taxonomy Regulation ( <b>Taxonomy</b> ); including the effect of recent developments like the EU Omnibus 2025 MiFID II  <i>Michael Maters and Joyce Kerkvliet (Attorneys at law, Loyens and Loeff)</i>
11.00 – 11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.15 – 12.30	Lecture	How to set up a Sustainable Investment Fund? Part I:  <i>Michael Maters</i>
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13.30 – 14.30	Lecture	How to set up a Sustainable Investment Fund? Part II  <i>Michael Maters</i>
14.30 – 14.45	<i>Tea break</i>	
14.45 – 15.30	Lecture	How to set up a Sustainable Investment Fund? Part III  <i>Karin Huizinga            (Responsible Investment Manager, Colesco Capital)</i>
15:30 – 17:00	Preparation for the exam/presentations	

**THURSDAY, 16 JULY**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
10.00 – 11.00	Lecture	Sustainable finance for SME's: alternatives for bank fund financing  <i>Corné Maljaars</i> (Financial consultant and owner of <i>Financieringsgilde Haarlemmermeer en Bollenstreek I MKB Bedrijfsfinancieringen</i> )
11.00– 11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.15 – 12.15	Lecture	Sustainable finance: the role of the bank  <i>Sharon Bloemendal</i> (Global head of expertise and implementation – sustainable solutions group ING bank)  and <i>Edgar Perez Meza</i> (VP sustainable solutions group ING bank)
12.15 – 13.15	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13.15 – 17.30	Preparation for the exam/presentations	

FRIDAY, 17 JULY		
TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
10.00 – 11.00	Lecture	Sustainable bonds and sustainable markets  <i>Daniel Poolen</i> <i>Head of Sustainable Capital Markets Rabobank</i>
11.00 – 11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.15 – 12.15	Lecture	The economic impact of Sustainable Finance  <i>Brenda Kramer</i> <i>(Executive director of the Sustainable Finance Lab)</i>
12.15 – 13.15	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13.15 – 15.00	The exam/presentations	Jury for the group presentations:  <i>Prof. dr. Jaap Spier</i>  <i>Prof. dr. Wilco Oostwouder</i>