

## **World PhD Students Sustainability Network**

The PhD students currently working on sustainable development matters will be the ones leading future trends in a 2030-2050 scale, when they will occupy key roles in academia, industry, and other sectors. It is therefore vital that they get the best possible training. One important component of this training is the interaction and exchange of information among their peers.

Unfortunately, many doctoral students work on their themes in an isolated manner, detached from other interdisciplinary groups. Also, they seldom have the opportunity to write side papers for top journals with a qualified team or to discuss their works with international PhD students and experts from outside their organisations. Yet, much could be achieved by such an interaction. It is on the basis of the need to address this gap that the World PhD Students Sustainability Network is being organised.

### ***Q: What is the World PhD Students Sustainability Network?***

The World PhD Students Sustainability Network is an initiative organised by the European School of Sustainability Science and Research <https://esssr.eu/>, in cooperation with various organisations (see “about the organisers”).

The main goals of the network are:

- 1) To provide PhD students with an opportunity to display and present their works in events such as the World PhD Summit, which is held twice a year;
- 2) To offer support in the preparation of papers for top journals, as part of a qualified team;
- 3) To organise seminars and workshops on sustainability research and disseminate suitable approaches and methodological tools;
- 4) To provide a space to foster the exchange of information, ideas and experiences acquired in the execution of PhD research projects.

Ultimately, the World PhD Students Sustainability Network is a network platform, which PhD students can use to explore the possibilities for cooperation.

***Q: What are the requirements to members?***

World PhD Students Sustainability Network is free of any charges and is open to all doctoral students worldwide, working on matters related to sustainable development, at both an early stage and at an advanced stage of their work.

***Q: How can I join the World PhD Students Sustainability Network?***

In order to register on the World PhD Students Sustainability Network, interested persons should send an expression of interest containing the following information to the organising team:

First name:

Surname:

Institution:

Country:

Contact e-mail:

ORCID (optional):

Title of the PhD work:

Summary (200 words) of the project:

These details should be sent to: [iusdrp@ls.haw-hamburg.de](mailto:iusdrp@ls.haw-hamburg.de)

***About the organisers***

The World PhD Students Sustainability Network is an initiative organised by the European School of Sustainability Science and Research <https://esssr.eu/>, the Inter-University Sustainable Development Research Programme <https://www.haw-hamburg.de/en/ftz-nk/programmes/iusdrp/>, the European Alliance for Sustainability Research <https://esssr.eu/easr/> and Manchester Metropolitan University, UK. It is chaired by Professor Walter Leal, supported by an interdisciplinary and multi-national team.

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