

INT07 International Land Use Systems Research – an Interdisciplinary Study Tour

Module	International Land Use Systems Research – an Interdisciplinary Study Tour							
Code	INT07							
Coordinator	Prof. Dr. E. Schlecht							
Language	English							
Participants	Maximum 20							
Stud. Workload	180h (124h contact time)							
Credits	6 ECTS							
Frequency (WS/SS)	WS, once in 2 years, alternating with Module INT02							
Instructors	Prof. Dr. E. Schlecht, Prof. Dr. A. Bürkert, Dr. C. Hülsebusch, Prof. Dr. A. Dohrenbusch, NN							
Contents	<p>Through the combination of one semester of preparatory impulse lectures and student seminars and the 12-14 day excursion to a (sub)tropical country, this module provides participants with interdisciplinary insights into the bio-physical and socio-economic components of agro-silvo-pastoral systems in the global context. The small- to large-size farm enterprises, processing plants and marketing organisations to be visited during the excursion exemplify the opportunities and challenges of agricultural activities in their specific context, whereby particular attention is paid to aspects of sustainability and environmental safety.</p> <p>The excursion targets regions where the two universities conduct research programmes, and also includes visits to partner universities and (inter)national research institutions. This will allow the MSc students to gain a first impression of how field research is organized and carried out in (sub)tropical countries. Up-to-date research approaches are presented to the participants and questions targeting the sustainable use of natural resources as well as questions of development cooperation are discussed in an international and interdisciplinary context.</p>							
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To gain multi- and interdisciplinary insight into (international) approaches towards opportunities and challenges of agro-silvo-pastoral production systems, sustainable resource use and agricultural development interventions - To familiarize participants with theoretical and practical questions of field research in an international context 							
Literature	Specific general and scientific articles dealing with the excursion country, distributed in the course.							
Study system usability	Economy		Organic		Tropical			
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Entrance requirements	Study focus on international agriculture and development policy							
Instruction type	Lecture	Seminar	Excursion	Practice	Tutorial	Project		
Duration [h]	4	20	100					
Examination type	Oral test	Written test	Homework	Sem. speech	Protocol	Work report	Proj. report	Proj. pres.
	x			x	x			
Grade composition	50% oral exam, 30% oral seminar presentation, 20% excursion day-protocol							