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Course title	Global Environmental Problems				
Course code	ENVR300				
Course type	Theoretical, Elective Course Group B				
Level	Undergraduate				
Year / Semester	Year 3 Semester 6				
Teacher's name	Dr. Sarris Dimitrios				
ECTS	6	Lectures / week	3	Laboratories / week	
Course purpose and objectives	This course provides an introduction to global environmental problems under the business perspectives, the different approaches to reaching agreement about global environmental policies, including controversies between North and South. It is also demonstrates awareness of some of the underlying uncertainties and controversies about how environmental problems should be evaluated and responded both political and economic, especially concerning differences between developed and developing countries.				
Learning outcomes	<p>After the completion of the course students are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be able to discuss the manner in which the emergence of sustainable development as a core concept of international initiative reflects and responds to dominant political and economic interests• Describe the diverse problems of addressing climate change and declining biodiversity through multi-faceted policy approaches such as international treaties, national regulation and civil society activity• Explain the importance of trade in achieving international agreement of standards and practices, and the dilemmas faced when regulating trade in environmental goods and services that have uncertain and contested environmental impacts• Assess the role played by key international organisations linked to the United Nations in the promotion of global environmental regimes and global environmental governance in general				
Prerequisites	BUSS317 International Trade		Required	None	
Course content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction: The role of states and non-state actors, Calling something 'global'; Global and systemic versus cumulative global problems, History of global environmental meetings and the debates relating to sustainable development• Climate change: Introduction to the problem with a focus on state actors, The early agreements, IPCC and UNFCCC, Kyoto.• Climate change policies: Analysis of flexible (trading based) mechanisms, Links to forests and climate, Vulnerability and adaptation				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business and international environmental governance: The role of business in the development of climate change policy and other governances, Private-environmental governance, International Environmental Standards • Technology transfer and environment: The importance of the technology, How can technical solutions be extended in developing countries, What needs to be done • World Bank and Global Environment Facility: Analysis of two key global institutions of global environment, An analysis of what they have done and the major criticisms • Trade and environment: The example of Genetically Modified Organisms: Debates for and against trade, The ways in which environment was addressed under GATT and WTO, The Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.
Teaching methodology	<p>The course content will be taught using:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power Point presentations • Guided discussions with the active participation of students • Examples and case studies that relate to the content of the course • Question and answer section • Use of internet and related IT infrastructure • Use of video projector and whiteboard • Assignment
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Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance and Class Participation: 10% • Assignment: 20% • Intermediate Written Examination: 30% • Final Written Examination: 40%
Language	English or Greek