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Business

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MSCIFM_BP02_Business Planning

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General Information

Module Code W.MSCIFM BP02.14

Programme Master of Science in International Financial Management

Type of Module Related module in foundation

Level of Module Advanced

ECTS Credits / Workload 3 ECTS Credits (90 hours)

Module Dependencies

Pre-requisites No prerequisites, but we strongly recommend to take in advance:

W.MSCIFM_MID01.13 - Managing Financial Information and Decision W.MSCIFM FEM01.13 - Financial Environment in International Markets

W.MSCIFM_AS01_ERM.14 - Academic and Scientific Skills - Empirical Qualitative and Quantitative

Research Methods

W.MSCIGM AS01 SDM.14 - Academic and Scientific Skills - Business Analytics, System Dynamics,

and Corporate Modeling

Follow-up modules

Module Aims

In order to support strategic and operational management decisions, financial managers have to build up competences to establish business plans. Without a business plan or business case the realisation of an idea, innovation, project or concept cannot be decided on. The ability to establish a comprehensive, concise and consistent business plan is therefore a key competence. A major issue is transferring ideas into consistent plans and delineate their financial consequences.

Learning Outcome 1

Students are able to identify potential business plan ideas. They understand the basic concept and importance of business plan based decisions knowing the difference between a business case and a business plan. Students are able to create a business plan, understand the content of a business plan and know which information is required for a business plan and where that information can be obtained.

	Importance	Relevant NQF-Descriptors
Subject knowledge and skills: Ability to structure a business idea and transform it into a comprehensive plan	medium	judgement
Problem-solving: Ability to structure a business idea and transform it into a comprehensive plan	high	judgement
Methodology: Ability to identify and gather relevant information	medium	judgement
Communication: Understand how to work and achieve goals in a project team; communicate successfully with stakeholders to reach project goals	medium	application
Social skills: Solve assignments in international teams; solveteam related conflicts	medium	
Self-related skills: Ability to reflect business plan related decisions; contribute to the project goal as a productive member of an international team; self-management in case of team conflicts	medium	learning autonomy

Content Outline

• Introduction (input session)

- Setting up a business plan (team work), supported by coaching sessions
- Exam

Teaching and Learning Methods					
Contact Hours Directed Study	seminar; lecture; presentations group work				
Workload					
Contact Hours	4 lessons / 3 hours (3.3%)				
Directed Study	3 lessons / 2.25 hours (2.5%)				
Private Study	84.75 hours (94.2%)				

Assignments and Assessments

Assessment Type	Quantity	Weight	Form	Evaluation Type	Time
Individual oral examination	on 15 minutes	70%	specified resources	grades	end of semester
Individual written assignment	40 pages	30%	specified resources	grades	end of semester