

About Focus Sustainability

<u>Focus Sustainability</u> is the **new national centre** for student engagement with sustainability. The centre is a co-creation by the Swiss Association of Student Organisations for Sustainability (<u>VSN-FDD-FSS</u>) and the Swiss Student Union (<u>VSS-UNES-USU</u>). It is a project **by students, for students**.

Focus on Students

Focus Sustainability is committed to **supporting students to meaningfully engage with sustainability**. Since its foundation early 2021, the centre provides a multitude of opportunities for students to exchange experiences with other students and learn from experts in ecological, social and economic sustainability. The offers are based on the pillars: empowerment, support, network.

Our <u>programme</u> for the spring semester 2022: see below

Focus Sustainability's offers are **open to all students** at Swiss higher education institutions and are **free of charge**. In the spring semester 2022, the offers will be held in English or French.

Focus on Swiss Higher Education Institutions

We aim to be a **strong partner** for Swiss higher education institutions and support their efforts regarding students' extracurricular sustainability projects in counselling, coaching and communication. Furthermore, we are creating a national **network of support platforms** that assist committed students and promote students sustainability projects.

Contact

For further information or questions, please contact:

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Workshops and Programmes — Spring Semester 2022

This spring semester 2022, Focus Sustainability offers eight workshops and programmes. They are **open to all students** at Swiss higher education institutions and are **free of charge**. For further information and registration check: https://focus-sustainability.ch/events/

Fund Your Sustainability Project — About U Change (moderation in EN, questions in DE, FR, IT)

Get to know U Change and success factors for funding applications

- Date: Tue. 1st March, 4:00-6:00pm
- Location: Online
- <u>Programme</u>
- Registration (Deadline: Mon. 28th February)

How to Successfully Pitch Your Sustainability Idea (EN)

Insights into convincing funders and relevant stakeholders

- Date: Tue. 8th March, 6:00-7:30pm
- Location: Zurich Knowledge Center for Sustainable Development, Hardstrasse 235, 8005 Zürich
- <u>Programme</u>
- Registration (Deadline: Sun. 6th March)

Project Management (EN)

How to make your sustainability project idea a success

- Date: Tue. 15th March, 6:30-9:00pm
- Location: Online
- Programme
- Registration (Deadline: Sun. 13th March)

Coaching Programme — Dialogue with Higher Education Institutions (EN, DE, FR)

Pursue your goals with support by experts in the field

- Time frame: Mon. 28th March to Tue. 31st May
 - o Kick-off event: Mon. 28th March, 6:00-8:00pm
- Location: tbd (Kick-Off) and by arrangement (coaching hours)
- Programme
- Registration: 1. <u>Student group members</u> / 2. <u>Project</u> (Deadline: Sun. 20th March)



Seeking for Your Ideas (EN, inputs by participants in EN, DE, FR)

Where Should Focus Sustainability's Journey Lead?

- Date:
 - o Universities of Teacher Education: Tue. 29th March, 4:00-5:45pm
 - Universities of Applied Sciences and Arts: Wed. 30th March,
 4:00-5:45pm
 - o Universities: Thur. 31st March, 4:00-5:45pm
- Location: Online
- <u>Programme</u>
- Registration (Deadline: Sun. 27th March)

Comment créer une campagne en ligne (FR)

Apprends des tipps & tricks pour informer, motiver et engager ton public à propos de thèmes liés à la durabilité

- Date: Mar. 7 avril, 18:00-20:00
- Lieu: OnlineProgramme
- Registration (Deadline: Sam. 1er avril)

Students for Sustainability: Creating Connections (moderation in EN, discussion in EN, DE, FR, IT)

A networking event focusing on student engagement with sustainability — part of the Sustainable University Day 2022 by U Change

- Date: Fri. 29th April, 1:00-2:15pm
- Ort: Accademia di Architettura Mendrisio, Palazzo Canavée, Sala 1, Via Giuseppe Buffi 5, 6850 Mendrisio
- <u>Programme</u>
- Registration of interest (Deadline: Wed. 20th April)

Formation "Sécurité — Prévention — Inclusion" (FR)

Comment mettre en place et maintenir une expérience safe et respectueuse au sein de collaborations et de projets/événements durables

- Date: Jeu. 5 mai, 18:00-20:00
- Lieu: EPFL Campus, Bâtiment CM, Rte Cantonale, 1015 Lausanne
- <u>Programme</u>
- Registration (Deadline: Mer. 28 avril)