Emerging Technologies for the Circular Economy

Lecture 0: Organization

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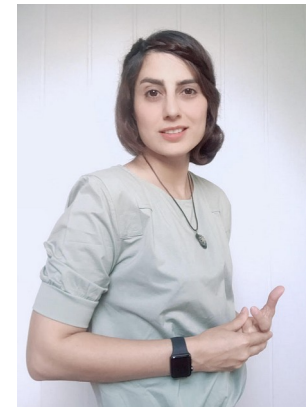
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ETCE Research Group

- **E**merging **T**echnologies for the **C**ircular **E**conomy → **ETCE**

- Research focus:
    - Intersection of IT and sustainability
    - Circular Economy
    - Self-organized, decentralized and distributed systems
    - Machine-to-Everything Economy (M2X Economy)

- Other courses:
    - The Limits to Growth – Sustainability and the Circular Economy (SS/WS – open for everyone)
    - Requirements Engineering (WS – M.Sc.)

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- ETCE Website – Link
  - Course material
  - Theses/project topics

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- Knowledge of the design and consideration of privacy-preserving data processing procedures for smart and decentralized applications
- Experience in prototyping such applications and systems

Lectures

- 17.04.2023 → Organization + Introduction
- 24.04.2023 → Circular Economy
- 08.05.2023 → Lifecycle Assessment (LCA)
- 15.05.2023 → Introduction to the Internet of Things
- 22.05.2023 → Internet of Things – Communication + Security and Privacy
- 05.06.2023 → Internet of Things – Data Processing and BigData
  - → Extra MOOC - Foodsharing
- 12.06.2023 → Industrial Internet of Things
- 19.06.2023 → Introduction to Blockchain Technology
- 26.06.2023 → Blockchain Technology – Consensus
- 03.07.2023 → Blockchain Technology – Ethereum and Smart Contracts
- 10.07.2023 → Blockchain Technology and Sustainability
- 17.07.2023 → Invited Lecture **XOR** The Machine-to-Everything Economy – A step towards the CE 2.0?

Exercises

- 17.04.2023 → Exercise 01 – Knowledge Test (MC)
- 24.04.2023 → Exercise 02 – Circular Economy (MC)
- 08.05.2023 → Exercise 03 – Lifecycle Assessment (LCA)
- 15.05.2023 → Exercise 04 – IoT Sensing and Gathering Data
- 22.05.2023 → Exercise 05 – IoT Security
- 05.06.2023 → Exercise 06 – IoT Data Processing
- 12.06.2023 → Exercise 07 – Industrial IoT
- 19.06.2023 → Exercise 08 – Blockchain (MC)
- 26.06.2023 → Exercise 09 – Blockchain Basics
- 03.07.2023 → Exercise 10 – Blockchain Conensus
- 10.07.2023 → Exercise 11 – Blockchain Tokens
- 17.07.2023 → Exercise 12 – Blockchain Smart Contracts and IoT

Course Organization

- Online course that is offered in parallel at the Clausthal University of Technology and the University of Göttingen

- Organization of the lecture:
  - Slides will be uploaded to StudIP (Clausthal and Göttingen) and Github ([Link](#))
    - Please report bugs!
  - Lectures and exercises as live stream (BBB – next slide)
  - Lecture recordings will be available on StudIP and on Github
  - Exercise time slots = Time for questions and eventual tutorials related to the exercises

  Questions? Write us an email: etce-etce@tu-clausthal.de ← **We will only respond to emails written to this specific email address!**

Dates/Times/Locations

- Lecture:
  - Monday **2:15 pm to 3:45 pm** (Berlin time) – **17.04.2023** to **17.07.2023**
  - Location: Goslar Gotec (Am Stollen 19 C, 38640 Goslar, Germany) or via BigBlueButton ([Link](#))

- Exercise / Q&A:
  - Monday **4 pm to 5 pm** (Berlin time) – **17.04.2023** to **17.07.2023**
  - Location: Goslar Gotec (Am Stollen 19 C, 38640 Goslar, Germany) or via BigBlueButton ([Link](#))

Exercises

- Individual work → no group submissions
- Multiple-Choice or coding tasks
- 7-14 days to submit (depending on the task)
- Submission deadline is always Monday at 1:59pm (right before the next lecture)
- Submission of **each** exercise is **mandatory**
- **You pass by submitting an exercise – even if it is an empty page**
- You will receive feedback on your submission
- Exercise = learning feedback

Coding Exercise Submission and Grading – Clausthal and Göttingen

- Coding exercises are graded semi-automatically. Due to this it is highly important that you follow the required submission format. Otherwise the grading process will fail and you will receive 0 points.
- Code must use Python. Do not use any libraries beyond what is specified in the assignment as they may not be available in the grading environment.
- Follow the directory structure from the handout file **exactly**. Usually this means:
  - If the handout contains a folder 'lab1', your submission should have a folder 'lab1' in the archive with the files inside it. The folder must not be inside another folder and the files must not be directly in the archive outside the folder.
  - The archive must be an uncompressed **zip** archive, not tar, rar, tar.gz or anything else.

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- Before submitting, unpack your archive to a new folder and check that the Makefile runs correctly.
- Code is submitted via a timed write-only StudIP submission folder. Only a single file can be submitted. The file name must follow the exact format 'lab<n>_<matriculation number>.zip', so for example 'lab4_123456789.zip', no extra space or _ symbols anywhere.
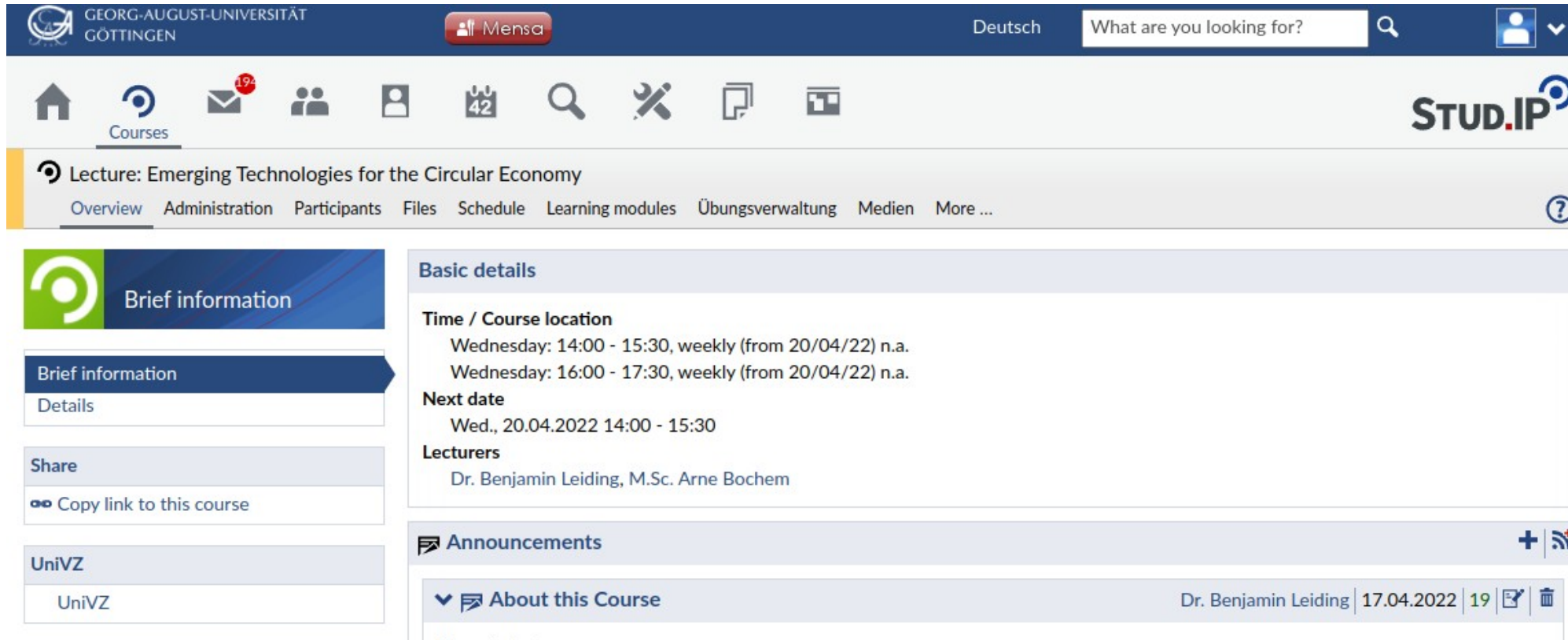
Multiple-Choice Exercises – Göttingen

Every student enrolled in this course is required to take the Knowledge quiz in first two weeks of the course.

- The first knowledge test will be available on ILIAS from **Monday, 17 April 2023, 5:00 PM until 24 April 2023 01:59 PM**

- The second knowledge test will be available on ILIAS from **Monday, 24 April 2023, 5:00 PM until 01 May 2023 01:59 PM**

- **Goal of the test:**
  - To check the knowledge level of the student that is relevant to this course of study.

- **Preparation:**
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- **Test sturcture:**
  - Total **25 multiple choice questions → no time limit**.
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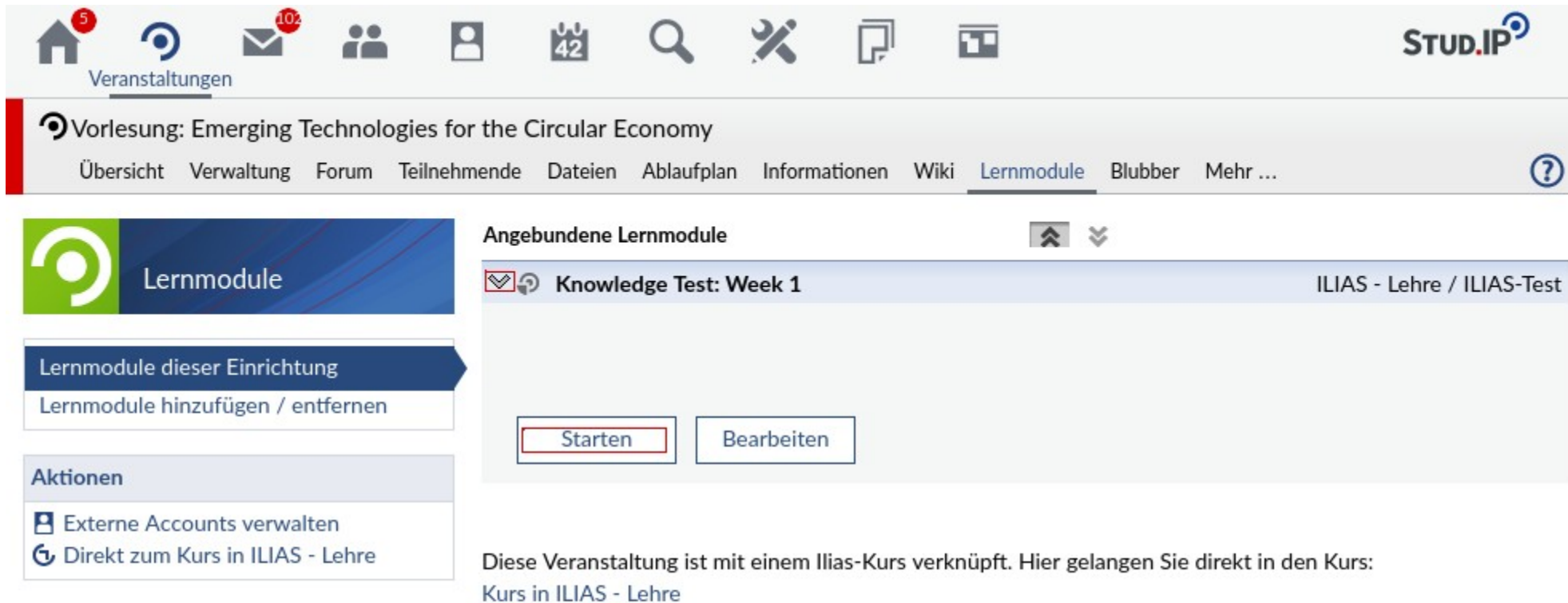
Step-1: Navigate to StudIP, select "Lernmodule/Learning modules"

Multiple-Choice Exercises – Göttingen

Step-2: Use the dropdown arrow to select an available Test, and click on "Starten". This will take you to the ILIAS Page

Multiple-Choice Exercises – Göttingen

Step-3: On ILIAS, to attempt the test, click on "Test Fortsetzen"

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Step-4: After answering a question, click on "Weiter" for the next question, and on "Test beenden" after you answer all questions
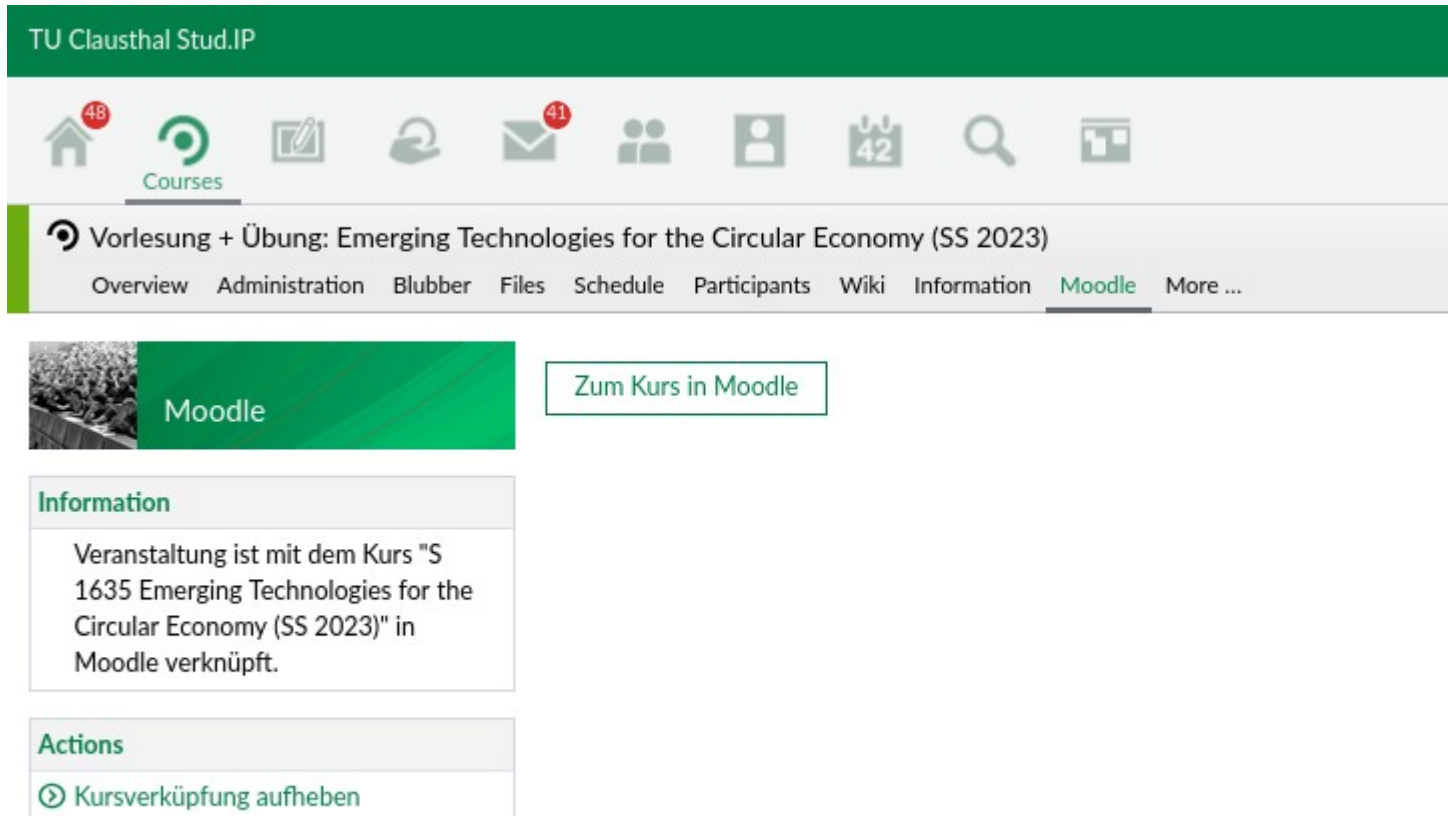
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Multiple-Choice Exercises – Clausthal

Step-1: Navigate to Moodle on your studip, select "Zum Kurs in Moodle"

Multiple-Choice Exercises – Clausthal

Step-2 : Select "Knowledge Quiz - Week 1"

Multiple-Choice Exercises – Clausthal

Step-3 : Start your test if you are ready

Multiple-Choice Exercises – Clausthal

Step-4 :

A. Sequence of questions
B. Timer running for the test

C. Navigate to next question/Finish attampt
D. Navigate to previous question

Examination

- Prerequisite for admission to the final exam (all criteria have to be fulfilled):
  - Submit all exercises

- Final exam:
  - **Clausthal**

    Written exam (120min) via Moodle

    Date → Most likely **07.08.2023 from 2 pm – 5 pm**
  - **Göttingen**

    Oral examination (20min) via BBB

    Date → Most likely **08.08.2023**

Self-Study Star

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Slides with the self-study star indicate optional/additional study material that is **not** mandatory but could be helpful or interesting

Literature

- This course is not based on a single book and you **do not** need to buy a book to pass the exam.

- Donella H. Meadows, Jorgen Randers, and Dennis L. Meadows. *The Limits to Growth* (1972).
- Donella H. Meadows, Jorgen Randers, and Dennis L. Meadows. *Limits To Growth: The 30-Year Update* (2004).
- Baccini et al. *Metabolism of the Anthroposphere: Analysis, Evaluation, Design* (2012).
- Walter R. Stahel. *The Circular Economy: A User's Guide* (2019).
- W. Brian Arthur. *The Nature of Technology: What It Is and How it Evolves* (2011).
- David Wallace-Wells. *The Uninhabitable Earth, Annotated Edition* (2017).

Literature

- (German) Stefan Rahmstorf, Hans Joachim Schellnhuber. *Der Klimawandel* (2019).
- David Archer, Stefan Rahmstorf. *The Climate Crisis* (2010).
- Gabrielle Walker, David King. *The Hot Topic: How to Tackle Global Warming and Still Keep the Lights on* (2008).

Literature

- Satoshi Nakamoto. *Bitcoin: A Peer-to-Peer Electronic Cash System* (2008) – ([Link](#)).
- Gavin Wood. *Ethereum: A Secure Decentralized Generalised Transaction Ledger* (2014) – ([Link](#)).
- Andreas Schütz und Tobias Fertig. *Blockchain für Entwickler: Grundlagen, Programmierung, Anwendung* (2019).
- M.A. Khan, M.T. Quasim, F. Algarni, A. Alharthi. *Decentralised Internet of Things* (2020).
- Dimitrios Serpanos und Marilyn Claire Wolf. I*nternet-of-Things (IoT) Systems Architectures, Algorithms, Methodologies* (2018).
- Perry Lea. *Internet of Things for Architects: Architecting IoT solutions by implementing sensors, communication infrastructure, edge computing, analytics, and security* (2018).
- Dan Boneh, Amit Sahai und Brent Waters. *Functional Encryption: Definitions and Challenges* (2010).

Further Resources

- Climate University – Teaching and learning for a sustainable future – [Link](#)
- Circular Societies (German) – [Link](#)
- Server Infrastructure for a Global Rebellion – [Link](#)
- Podcasts:
  - Drilled ([Link](#))
  - How to Save a Planet ([Link](#))
  - 1,5 Grad – der Klima-Podcast mit Luisa Neubauer (German) ([Link](#))

Questions?