

Collaborative Online International Learning to Foster Sustainability, Empowerment & Resilience of Energy Networks, And the Digitalization of Higher Education

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS Collaborative Online International Course

April 7 – May 21, 2025

About the Project & Course

COIL-SERENADE is designed to empower educators and students by promoting collaboration and strengthening digital and 21st-century skills. The project focuses on improving education quality in the energy sector through Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL), which brings interdisciplinary perspectives to real-world challenges. It also supports the development of modern and resilient educational systems in Ukraine, addressing challenges posed by the ongoing war.

The course offers an international, interdisciplinary learning experience in the energy sector, based on a case study developed by educators from Germany, Italy, Ukraine, and Estonia. Designed for students in civil engineering, architecture, energy technology, urban planning, and related fields, the course promotes collaboration, critical thinking, and digital skill development. It follows the COIL approach and uses the Virtual Collaborative Learning (VCL) framework from TU Dresden to support teamwork and active learning in international teams via MS Teams. Upon completion, students receive a certificate with 3 ECTS credits



Time Frame	Description of the Tasks	Online Meetings
Week 1: Intro April 07 – April 14, 2025	Introduction to the case study, team members, MS Teams and e-tutors	Kickoff Meeting 07.04.25 16:00 – 18:00 CET
Week 2: IT Case April 14 – April 23, 2025	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS), including data collection methods, storage formats, and spatial analysis. Hands-on use of QGIS and OpenStreetMap to extract and process building data, apply elevation statistics, and generate geojson files.	_
Week 3: IT Case April 23 – April 30, 2025	Fundamentals of Building Energy Modeling (BEM), covering principles of heat transfer, energy balance, HVAC systems, and simulation processes. Includes collecting building and climate data, calculating U-values, and estimating heating and cooling needs.	Practical Workshop 23.04.25 16:00 – 18:00 CET
Week 4: IT Case April 30 – May 07, 2025	Urban Building Energy Modeling (UBEM) using simplified steady-state calculations. Involves assigning building properties, calculating surface areas, volumes, and heat transfer coefficients, and estimating city-scale heating demand. Scenarios for improving energy efficiency are developed.	Interim Presentation 07.05.25 16:00 – 18:00 CET
Week 5: UA Case May 07 – May 14, 2025	Assessment of the current condition of buildings and energy infrastructure in a war-affected model district in Ukraine, including analysis of energy demand, vulnerabilities, resilience, and renewable energy potential.	_
Week 6: UA Case May 14 – May 21, 2025	Development of a roadmap for complex renovation and decarbonization, focusing on energy-saving measures, renewable integration, urban energy efficiency optimization, and smart grid solutions to improve resilience in Ukraine.	Final Presentation 21.05.25 16:00 – 18:00 CET







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