

Valid from 2025.FS

Module description: Transformation Processes	
Module Code	w.MA.XX.TRAP.23HS
ECTS Credits	3
Language of Instruction/Examination	English
Module Description	The implementation of the circular economy is a long-term transformation process in which technologies, materials, processes and value chains, business models, regulations and standards, practices, and behaviors are newly combined into a system innovation and, therefore, reconfiguring existing economic sectors. In this module, concepts and methods for the analysis of this complex system innovation as well as approaches for the management of transformations are taught.
Organizational Unit	Zurich CTR f Sustainability Leadership
Module Coordinator	Jörg Musiolik
Deputy Module Coordinator	Paola Andrea Yanguas Parra
Program and Specialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circular Economy Management
Legal Framework	Academic Regulations MSc in Circular Economy Management dated 02.06.2022, Appendix to the Academic Regulations for the degree program in Circular Economy Management, first adopted on 23.09.2022
Module Category	Module Type Compulsory
Prerequisite Knowledge	Students have basic knowledge of circular economy methods and definitions, technologies, and innovations in the circular economy and governance and policies.
Contribution to Program Learning Objectives (by the concerned Module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Competence • Methodological Competence • Social Competence • Self-Competence
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Module Learning Objectives	Students... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand the characteristics of long-term sustainability transitions. • can apply theories and methods for analyzing the transformation of selected sectors or industries. • understand the methodology surrounding the management of transitions, derivation of policies, and measures for transition management.

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Module Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The circular economy as a system innovation.• The concept of scio-technical systems, regimes, inertia, and lock-in.• Niche developments, radical innovation processes, and their interaction in the circular economy.• Innovation system analysis as a tool to trace transitions.• The concept of transition paths and methodology of variation analysis.• The governance and policies of circular economy transition.																																		
Links to other modules	This module is linked to the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• w.MA.XX.DPG.23HS• w.MA.XX.BMCE.23HS																																		
Digital Learning Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teaching Materials• Multiple Choice Tests																																		
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