



JOIN THE UNAVEX VIRTUAL EXCHANGE!

(1 + 3 op / ECTS)

Are you interested in global sustainability and international environments? Have you considered applying for a student exchange? If so, the UnaVEx virtual exchange might be just for you!

UnaVEx offers a versatile look into sustainability, with topics including:

- Introduction to sustainability
- The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals
- Climate change
- Biodiversity
- The intersections of political economy and the arts in sustainability



VIRTUAL BRIDGE
BETWEEN EUROPEAN & AFRICAN STUDENTS
FOR SUSTAINABLE FUTURES



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Una Europa Virtual Exchanges for Sustainability (UnaVEx) - Call for Students !

UnaVEx is a five-week-long virtual exchange unit consisting of a total of five sessions, 3h per day for 5 days. During the virtual exchange, you will attend inspiring plenary talks on different perspectives on sustainability. You will also be introduced to your international small group of peers and a moderator. In the groups, you will discuss and develop a collaborative, sustainability-themed action task.

No previous sustainability or natural science studies are required. UnaVEx is a platform for multidisciplinary and intercultural encounters for university students interested in sustainability and the future of our shared planet. UnaVEx welcomes students from European and African nations, building a bridge between the continents for sustainable futures.

Details

WHEN: Next Call is opening September 2025 !

CONCEPT: 5 x on-line sessions on Zoom - max 3 hours each

PLACE: Online on Zoom

COMPLETION METHOD: online participation and a collaborative group assignment.

AWARD: 1 ECTS (via Helsinki Open University) and a certificate of participation – useful for CV.

WHO CAN APPLY: Bachelor, Master, Doctor and PostDoc students from Una Europa Alliance partner universities and UnaVEx African partner universities.

REGISTER HERE: opening in September

TENTATIVE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 30 Sep 2025

LANGUAGE: English

COST: no fee



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Una Europa Virtual Exchanges for Sustainability (UnaVEx) is an international, interdisciplinary, and intercultural online bridge between European and African students for sustainability education.

UnaVEx is an EU-funded ERASMUS+ project coordinated by the University of Helsinki and other leading research-intensive universities in Europe and Africa.

UnaVEx offers accessible, affordable, and sustainable international online student exchange opportunities to all students interested in Global Sustainability education. The first UnaVEx virtual exchange took place in February – March, 2025. The next Virtual Exchange will take place in October – November 2025. In total, five iterations of the virtual exchange will be organized in 2025-2027. UnaVEx aims to increase environmental awareness, knowledge of the green transition, and skills in the sustainability transformation of young generations and societies both in Europe and Africa. The virtual exchange looks at sustainability from economic, socio-cultural, technological, political, legal, and scientific perspectives.

Una Europa Micro-credential in Sustainability

UnaVEx builds from the Introduction to Sustainability (3 ECTS) MOOC (massive online open course). Completing all parts of UnaVEx awards you a total of 3 + 1 ECTS.

Introduction to Sustainability (3 ECTS) MOOC <https://courses.mooc.fi/org/uh-inar/courses/introduction-to-sustainability>

Introduction to Sustainability is part of the Una Europa Micro-Credential in Sustainability 10 ECTS online unit designed for your personal and professional development in the field of sustainability. The micro-credential consists of a total of five MOOCs related to the themes covered during the virtual exchange.

The four other micro-credential courses are:

- **Climate.now (2 ECTS) MOOC**

<https://courses.mooc.fi/org/uh-inar/courses/climate-now>

- **Biodiversity.now (2 ECTS) MOOC**

<https://courses.mooc.fi/org/uh-inar/courses/biodiversity-now>

- **Political Economy of Sustainability (2 ECTS) MOOC**

<https://www.copernicuscollege.pl/courses/course-v1:UJ+ThPoEcOfSu-UnEuMo+2024/about>

- **Sustainability and the Arts (1 ECTS)**

https://book.unibo.it/courses/course-v1:Unibo+SUSTARTS101+2024_E1/about

After the VE unit, you can continue the Micro-Credential courses at your own pace. You will learn to analyze sustainability and its importance and impacts with an interdisciplinary approach. After studying the Micro-credential program, you will have a basic understanding of sustainability from ecological, social, and economic perspectives.


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For more information:

- UNAVEX website: <https://www.atm.helsinki.fi/unavex/>
- More information about the Micro Credential in Sustainability: <https://www.una-europa.eu/study/microcredential-sustainability#content>
- Stay updated: https://www.atm.helsinki.fi/unavex/?page_id=116
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