

"Alternative Economic and Monetary Systems (AEMS)"

Summer University, Vienna

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What is AEMS?

The [AEMS Summer University](#) presents and discusses the state of the art in alternative economic and monetary systems. There is overwhelming evidence that the current economic model based on everlasting economic growth is destroying the ecosystem of our planet and contributing to the global climate crisis. Therefore, the summer university wants to shed light on approaches and reform proposals that can make a real difference. AEMS offers room for critical thinking and the possibility to openly discuss and deconstruct ideas and concepts with distinguished experts from various scientific fields. Lectures, workshops and discussion panels enable the participants to acquire a deeper understanding of the intricate interactions of society, ecology and economy.

After successful completion, the international participants receive a certificate from BOKU University, awarding them with 5 ECTS points, which equals 125 study hours.

The summer university is the result of a collaboration between [OeAD student housing](#), BOKU University Vienna ([BOKU](#)) and representatives of the Economy for the Common Good ([ECOnGOOD](#)), as well as more than 80 international [supporting institutions and partner universities](#).

AEMS Modules

1. Basics & Nature
2. Finance & Money
3. Economics with Social and Ecological Values
4. A social ecological transformation

What students say



"AEMS has taught me that there is something to be done and that it can be done, because I've seen a lot of people who are already working on exciting areas of sustainability, for a common goal, with very concrete strategies." Nariman Emara (Egypt)

"This course has really inspired me to continue in changing the world. It's been good for creating networks with people who share the same interests. It was really inspiring." Carlos Gachuz Ullrich (Mexico)



More information

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