



WELCOME

Are you ready to embark on a transformative educational journey?

Join us for an introductory workshop on the new **International Project Semester** at EHB.

This unique 30 ECTS program is tailored for final-year students from diverse backgrounds and disciplines, both local and international.

This session aims to show how the International Project Semester can meet the needs of students, researchers, and institutions worldwide.

Join us to explore the opportunities and benefits this program offers and see how it can shape our mutual future.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT SEMESTER



LOOKING FOR INNOVATION WITH (INTER)NATIONAL STUDENTS
IN EDUCATION & THROUGH RESEARCH

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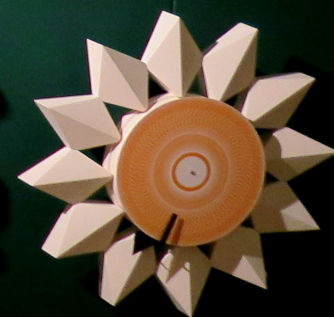
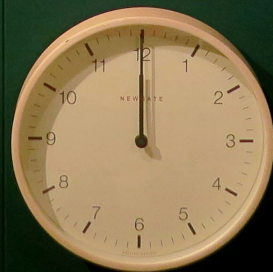
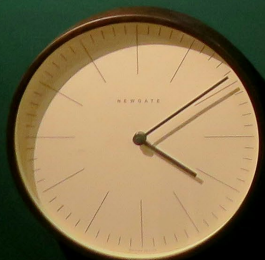
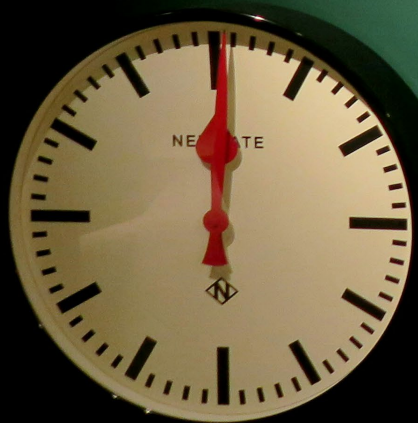
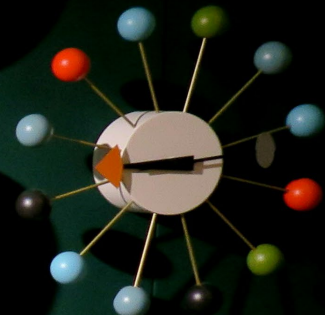
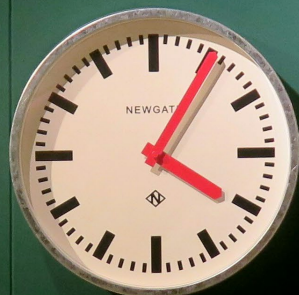
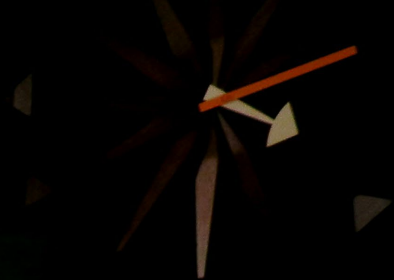
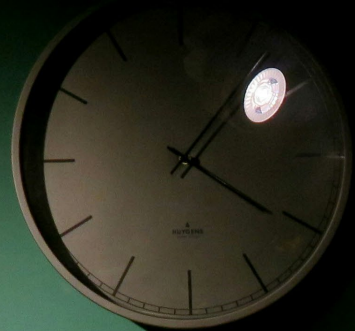
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- Creating an amazing experience for international students in Brussels
- Creating a deep connection between EhB and incoming students
- Creating a sustainable connection between EhB Research, students and international partners
- Creating opportunities for Brussels to innovate and get inspired
- Creating a safe space for students, teachers, researchers, practitioners to experiment

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A PROGRAM OF 30 ECTS

- With room for innovation
- Aiming for transdisciplinary*
 - Starting with “wicked questions”
 - Working with interdisciplinary, student groups
 - In active partnerships with Brussels partners
- Perfect fit for both incoming students AND EhB Students
- Last but not least: nurtured by, using our and adding to our Research Centers





- Sept '23- Needs, inspiration and new funds lead to a **dream**
- Step '23- **Benchmarking** (ongoing)
- Sept '24- Looking for and **creating opportunities**
- Oct '24 - **Looking for supporters** and feedback (ongoing)
- Nov '24 - Creating a **(first) framework** (presented today)
- Dec '24 - Pitching for **early enthusiasts** (Education + Research) (ongoing)
- Jan '24 - **Approval** of our team of directors
- Feb '25 - Working group task force for content creating (Education + Research)
- Mar '25 - **Getting the word out!**
- May '25 - A full plan is ready to roll
- Feb '26 - Start of the First International Project Semester @ EhB



WHAT CAN BE IMPROVED SO FAR

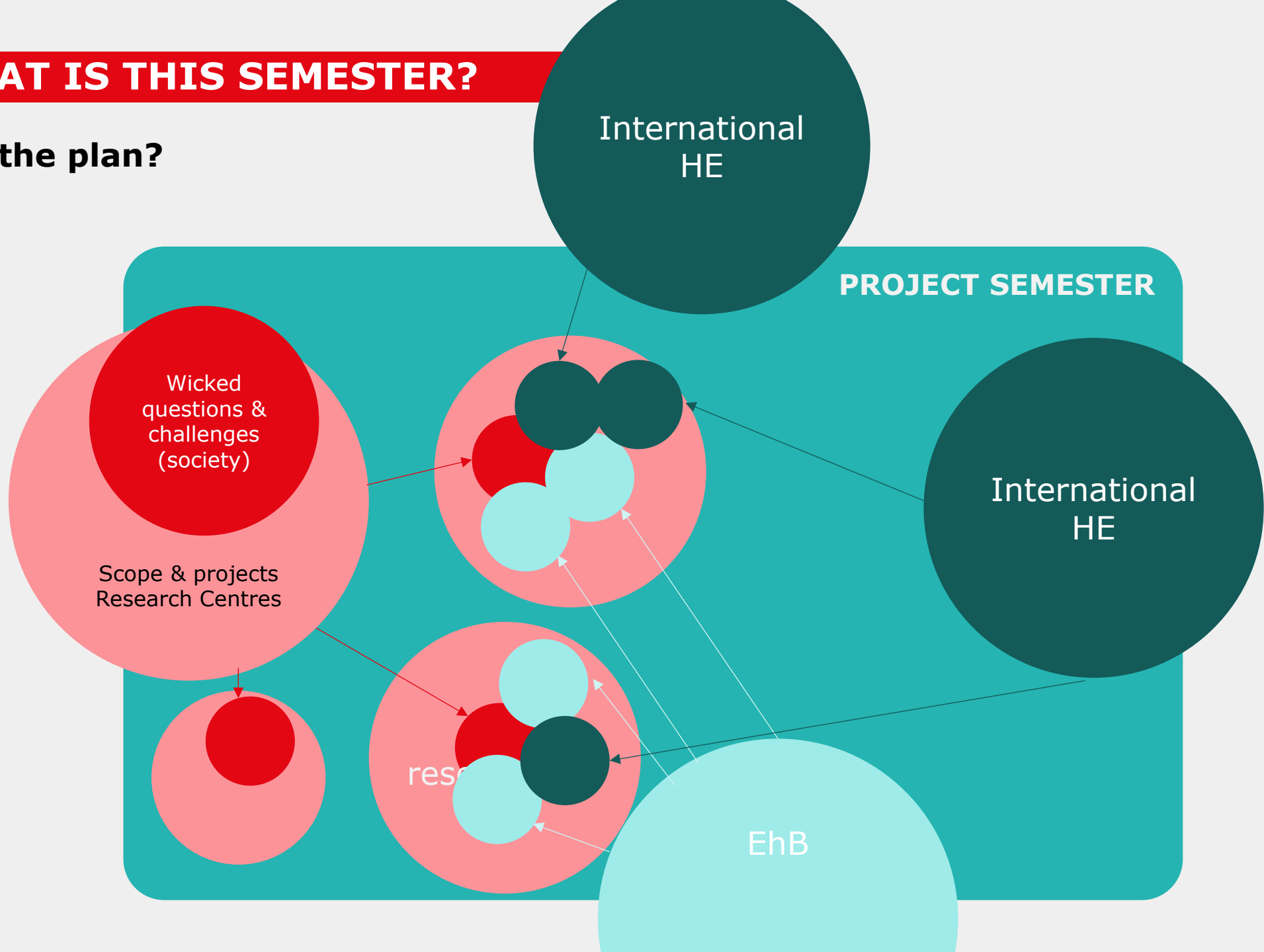
- Getting everyone on board – **communicate and inform**
 - Researchers, Educators, International focal points, Policy makers
- Further exploration how to involve own EhB students – **Learning Outcomes**
- Making choices and Financial plan: dreams need to become real – **writing for funds**
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BUT WHAT IS THIS SEMESTER?

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What is the plan?



HOW DOES IT LOOK?

- Interdisciplinary groups of students explore with a EhB researcher a challenge that needs to be tangled
- Students develop thematic and theoretical insight in the issue
- Students experiment with ways to do transdisciplinary research, to implement innovation and challenge the existing practices
- Students implement this during internships, relevant for the own professional development

ABOUT WHAT REALLY?

- For now, linked to RC **"Centre for Social and Spatial Justice"**
 - Focuses on the interplay between social and spatial justice and urban societal transformations.
 - Aims to foster change in a diverse and rapidly evolving society through a socially engaged and critically emancipatory perspective.
 - **Addresses social and spatial exclusion dynamics affecting children, youth, and the elderly.**
 - **Seeks solutions to build resilient and just urban communities via participatory processes.**
 - Utilizes various participatory action research methodologies, collaborating with residents, social, and scientific stakeholders.
 - Strives to create urban environments where all residents can actively participate, feel safe, and connected.

HOW DOES IT LOOK?

1 Social and Spatial Justice

- Mostly academic & theoretical
- 6 ECTS
- Incl. study visits
- Open for everyone

2 Skills Lab Exploring Transdisciplinarity

- Mostly practical and methodological (incl. research)
- 6 ECTS
- Incl. study visits
- Open for everyone

3 Internship: Trandisciplinary Research into practice

- Internships
- Interdisciplinary working groups
- 18 ECTS
- Open for everyone who enrolled for 1 & 2



WHAT CAN **YOU** DO NOW?

I have some questions for you.

Please discuss, write, challenge and help.

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