

Advice of the MEEM program Committee on the MEEM specific part of the Education and Examination Regulations (OER).

The Program Committee (PG) has read the MEEM part of OER and would like to advise positively on the text of the MEEM regulations given the following remarks:

1. Under 1a, Program content, MEEM is characterized as “Thus MEEM can be categorized as a professional and academic master programme.” The PC recommends to change this in “Thus MEEM can be categorized as an academic professionally oriented master programme.” The PC thinks this formulation more strongly indicates the professional orientation of the MEEM program at an academic level.
2. In the text the three specializations are consequently listed in the order of environmental, water and energy management. The PC recommends to change this order in environmental, energy and water management, since this sequence better reflects the name of the program and the historical development of the three specialization streams.
3. Under 1a, under the second bullet point “Multidisciplinarity:” it is said “- insights are derived from various disciplines in the domain of sustainability sciences (e.g. policy science, economics, legal sciences, (basic) natural / technical sciences and (organizational) sociology) as well as social science research methods and techniques, specialized in environment, water and energy management;”. The PC would like to remark that the disciplines mentioned as sustainability sciences in fact are social sciences and not sustainability sciences. According to the PC therefore, it is better to label the disciplines as social sciences and humanities with in MEEM a strong orientation on sustainability issues.
4. Table 1: Please change the Exam format of Energy Management in ‘S’.
5. Under 1c it is said “During the course work period, the core substantive courses are structured around the themes of Management, Governance, Technology.” The PC recommends to change this formulation in: “During the course work period, the core substantive courses are structured around the theme Governance and management of socio-technical change and organization.”

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