

ACTIS – YES-Courses

ACTIS is an official spin-off of the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH Zurich) and was founded to continue and expand the successful Youth Encounter on Sustainability (YES) course concept. ACTIS offers various YES course programs around the world, as well as special programs developed for YES alumni. In addition, ACTIS offers programs tailored for specific target groups, such as high school students, school teachers and university teachers.

The YES course was developed by the Alliance for Global Sustainability (AGS), an international research partnership among several leading technical universities around the world (namely the ETH Zurich, MIT Cambridge, University of Tokyo, Chalmers University of Technology Gothenburg) and was run for 10 years under the leadership of ETHsustainability. The core team responsible for designing and delivering the YES courses established ACTIS as an ETH spin off organisation in 2009 in order to expand the programs.

The YES course is a pioneering concept in education for sustainable development for university students all around the world. Each two week course brings together a multicultural and multidisciplinary group to discuss in a unique setting the challenges of sustainable development.