

1.	Module Code	PB-44
2.	Module Title	Theories of Justice
3.	Module Coordinator	Prof. Dr. Jean-Christophe Merle
4.	Teaching Staff	Prof. Dr. Jean-Christophe Merle Dr. Anna Szyrwinska-Hörig
5.	<p>Competences</p> <p>“Knowledge and Understanding”</p> <p>“Skills”</p>	<p><u>After completing the module students have acquired</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a broad and integrated knowledge of the principles of justice; • a differentiated understanding of the various interpretations of the principles of justice, as these interpretations have been discussed and applied in philosophical theories of justice; • an insight into the complexity of the domains of application of these theories that are relevant for international management: application of commutative justice to private contracts, application of distributive justice to social justice, environmental ethics, intergenerational justice and global justice; • a knowledge of the relevant scientific literature, the state of research in this domain, and the technical English expressions in this domain; • a critical understanding of the common intuitions and arguments used in public debates about current problems of commutative and distributive justice • proficiency of English philosophical terminology, that enables an active participation in actual debates concerning the problems of justice. <p><u>Students are able to</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze concrete problems of commutative justice related to private contracts as well as concrete problems of social justice, environmental ethics, intergenerational ethics and global ethics while evaluating arguments pertaining to them; • Acquire on their own further and advance knowledge in these thematic fields; • Handle in a structured way the problems mentioned above on the basis of the principles of justice considered as building a system containing principles, priority rules and interpretations; • Implement the method of application for principles and theories in the context of concrete questions; • Formulate on the basis of the aforementioned method, as well as through analysis, an argumentation about concrete issues concerning the ethics of international management for which justice is relevant (e.g., cases of sales contracts, employment contracts, allocation of competences) and which can be considered as the basis for decisions in international management; • Handle these problems and issues with various partners (e.g., teams, associates, staff members, clients) and express one’s own opinion on the basis of an appropriate argumentation;

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise the competences mentioned above as a member of the staff of an international company or as a participant in international events in an appropriate way in English.
6.	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conceptual distinction between institutional justice and other dimensions of justice (e.g., the virtue of justice); • Distinction between formal (abstract or procedural) and substantial justice; • Principles of substantial justice: (1) principles of commutative justice, conceptual analysis of private contracts (sales contracts, employment contracts, etc.), (2) principles of distributive justice: social justice, environmental justice, intergenerational justice, global justice (economic and social aspects); distinction between commutative and distributive justice and other principles of justice (corrective justice, penal justice, etc.); • Collisions between commutative and distributive justice, solutions offered by balancing interests as well as by priority rules; • Cultural aspects of applied justice related to cultural minorities, due consideration of cultural interests in international management.
7.	Selected Literature	<p>Gosseries, Axel / Meyer, Lukas H. (Eds.) 2012: Intergenerational Justice, Oxford, U.K.: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>Pogge, Thomas 2011: Global Justice, London: Blackwell.</p> <p>Rawls, John 1971: A Theory of Justice, Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press.</p> <p>Sandel, Michael 2009: What's the Right Thing to Do? London: Penguin.</p> <p>Schmidtz, David 2006: The Elements of Justice, Cambridge UK: Cambridge University Press.</p> <p>Sen, Amartya 2009: The Idea of Justice, Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press.</p> <p>Walzer, Michael 1983: Spheres of Justice, New York: Basic Books.</p>
8.	Courses (hours per week)	<p>PB-44.1 Theories of Commutative Justice and Private Contracts (SE) (2 SWS)</p> <p>PB-44.2 Theories of Distributive, Social and Global Justice (SE) (2 SWS)</p>
9.	Required Prerequisites <i>according to examination regulations</i>	none
10.	Recommended Prerequisites	none
11.	Rotation Schedule	annual
12.	Offered in (Winter/Summer Semester)/ Recommended Semester of Study	Winter term/ 1 st term (1 st semester)

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13.	Form of Assessment <i>according to examination regulations</i>	Presentation or term paper	
14.	Workload	contact hours: 56	overall workload: 180
		self-study: 124	credit points: 6 CP
15.	Applicability of Module	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Profilierungsbereich Bachelor • Profilierungsbereich Master 	
16.	Further Information (e.g., registration, maximum number of participants)	<p>This module is part of the "Certificate for International Management and Practical Ethics" and will be taught exclusively in English</p> <p>A tutorial will be held to support the students of this module as well as the students of the module PB-45.</p> <p>Gemäß § 4,4 der Prüfungsordnung des Profilierungsbereichs besteht kein Anspruch der Studierenden auf das Vorhalten bestimmter Angebote oder eine regelmäßige Wiederholung von Modulen.</p>	