





## **COURSE TITLE: BUSINESS PROCESS MANAGEMENT**

Master course ECTS credits: 8

## **Lecturers:**

- Prof. dr. sc. Vesna Bosilj Vukšić, Full Professor at Faculty of Economics, University of Zagreb, Croatia
- Dr. Friederike Schröder-Pander, partner at Pro-ActIT, Belgium
- Brina Hribar, Teaching assistant at Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

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## Aims of the course:

Organisation can be competitive only when it is capable to adapt to the challenges and opportunities of business environment. Business process management (BPM) is a contemporary management approach focused on aligning organisations with the wants and needs of clients that promotes business effectiveness and efficiency while striving for innovation, flexibility and integration with information technology. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to understand why BPM is important, when and how organisation should use it, critical success factors and to select and use BPM several methods.

## Course syllabus:

## TH = Teaching Hours

# Day 1 Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> Prof. dr. Vesna Bosilj Vukšić Introduction to BPM (2 TH) Business processes: Introduction Assignment 1 History of BPM Business process modelling methods and tools: an overview (1 TH) Business process modeling as a basis for BPM Assignment 2

Day 2	Prof. dr. Vesna Bosilj Vukšić
Wednesday,	<ul> <li>Business process modelling methods and tools: BPMN and EPC (1 TH)</li> </ul>
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Business process modelling, business rules and ERP systems implementation (1 TH)</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Simulation modelling and business process analysis (2 TH)</li> </ul>
	Assignment 3
Day 2	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Day 3 Thursday,	Prof. dr. Vesna Bosilj Vukšić
July 10 <sup>th</sup>	PC lab (3 TH) – computer lab
Day 4	Dr.Friederike Schroeder-Pander
Monday,	<ul> <li>Holistic view on BPM (3 TH)</li> </ul>
July 14th	
Day 5	Dr.Friederike Schroeder-Pander
Tuesday,	<ul> <li>Setting-up a process support organization &amp; Change management (1 TH)</li> </ul>
July 15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Process improvement methods – overview (2 TH)</li> </ul>
Day 6	Dr.Friederike Schroeder-Pander
Wednesday,	■ EITHER: Case study (Process modeling & process improvement) (4 TH)
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	<ul><li>Assignment 4</li></ul>
	OR : BPM Game
	<ul><li>Assignment 5</li></ul>
Day 7	Dr.Friederike Schroeder-Pander
Thursday,	■ EITHER: BPM Game
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	<ul><li>Assignment 5</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>OR: Case study (Process modeling &amp; process improvement) (4 TH)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Assignment 4</li> </ul>
Day 8,	Brina Hribar
Monday	■ The role of organizational culture in BPM (2 TH)
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	<ul><li>Case studies</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Projects proposals, discussion (1 TH)</li> </ul>
Day 9,	Brina Hribar
Tuesday	■ Working on projects (3 TH) – computer lab
July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Day 10,	Brina Hribar
Wednesday	Presentations (3 TH)
July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	
Day 11,	Brina Hribar
Thursday	• Exam
July 24 <sup>th</sup>	

# **Bibliography:**

P. Harmon: Business process change: a guide for business managers and BPM and six sigma professionals, 2nd ed., Elsevier/Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2007, and the readings handed out in the class.

# **Teaching methods:**

- Lectures and class discussions
- Case studies
- Computer labs
- Class assignments
- Team projects with presentations

# **Prerequisites:**

Bachelor of Business, Economics, Computer Science, Information Management or similar

## **Examination methods:**

- Class assignments 20%
- Group project 50%
- Final exam 30% (at least 50% of possible points are required)
- Students will be able to get extra point for active participation in the discussions