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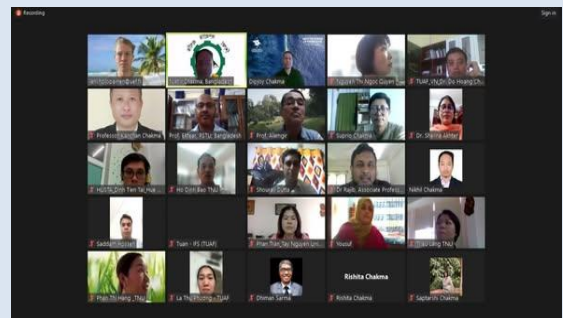
### About FORSU

Higher Education Cooperation for Forest Landscape Restoration and Sustainable Livelihoods in Bangladesh and Vietnam (FORSU). FORSU is a 3-year capacity building project which is co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union. The project includes two European Programme universities: the University of Helsinki (coordinating HEI) & the University of Freiburg, and 2 Partner universities in Bangladesh: Rangamati Science and Technology University & Patuakhali Science and Technology University and 3 Partner universities in Vietnam: Hue University, Tay Nguyen University & Thai Nguyen University of Agriculture and Forestry

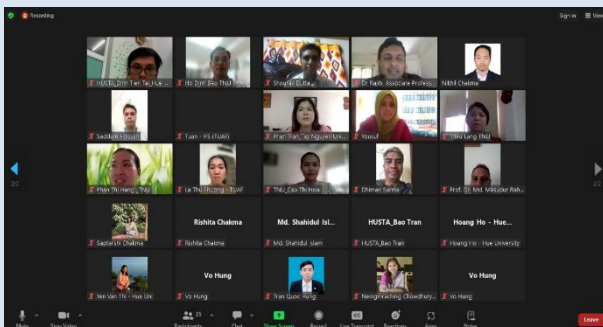
The overarching objective of FORSU is to strengthen the capacity of partner higher education institutions to contribute to well-functioning, relevant and accessible forest landscape restoration (FLR) education to meet the needs of graduates, employers, and other stakeholders, for the broader benefit of the environment and society.

### Empowering Educators: FORSU Hosts Online Pedagogy Training

An online pedagogy training was successfully held on 13 October 2023 under the Erasmus+ Higher Education Cooperation for Forest Landscape Restoration and Sustainable Livelihoods in Bangladesh and Vietnam (FORSU) project. The training aimed to strengthen the teaching capacity of faculty members from FORSU partner universities in Bangladesh (Rangamati Science and Technology University and Patuakhali Science and Technology University), Vietnam (Tay Nguyen University, Thai Nguyen University of Agriculture and Forestry, and Hue University), as well as the University of Freiburg, Germany, and the University of Helsinki, Finland.



A total of 35 participants took part in the session, gaining insights into effective teaching and learning approaches, including Bloom’s Taxonomy, direct and indirect assessment of learning, 21st-century skills, constructive alignment (learning objectives, content, teaching methods, and evaluation), and design thinking.



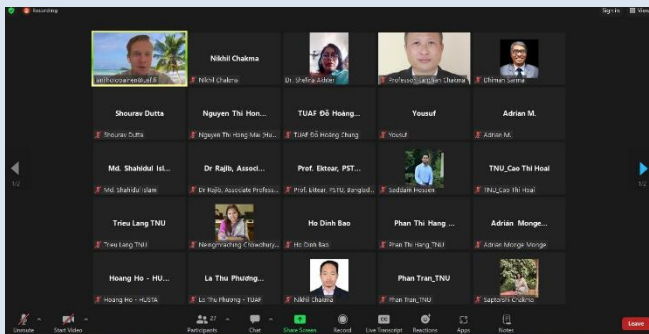
The training was facilitated by Dr. Jani Holopainen, Adjunct Professor at the University of Helsinki, Finland and will be conducted on 20 October 2023 and 10 November 2023. The session opened with a welcome address by Mr. Dipjoy Chakma, Coordinator of the FORSU Project, University of Helsinki, Finland.



The second day of the online pedagogy training was held on 20 October 2023, during which participants learned key pedagogical principles, including constructive alignment covering learning objectives, course content, teaching methods, and evaluation. The session also focused on designing learning objectives, developing evaluation methods, and understanding the constructive alignment cycle.

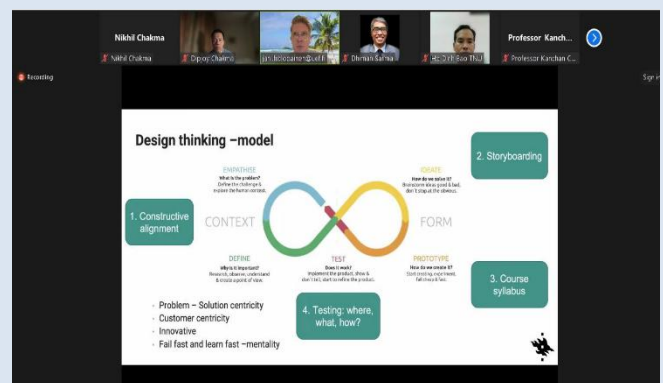
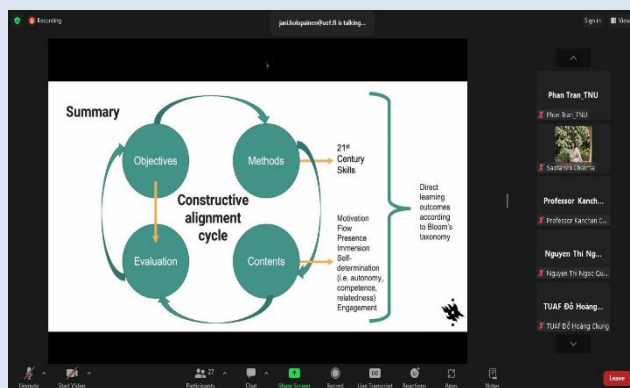


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The third day of the online pedagogy training was held on 10 November 2023, during which faculty members from partner institutions actively participated in the sessions. Participants gained practical insights into constructive alignment—including learning objectives, course content, teaching methods, and evaluation—as well as designing learning objectives, assessment methods, and the constructive alignment cycle.

The training also covered storyboarding, design thinking, and the development and testing of course curricula. The training session was facilitated by Dr. Jani Holopainen, Adjunct Professor at the University of Helsinki, Finland. The session opened with welcome remarks from Mr. Dipjoy Chakma, Coordinator of the FORSU Project, and Mr. Adrian Monge, FORSU Project, University of Helsinki, Finland.





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## FORSU Capacity Building Training Kicks Off in Germany

The FORSU Capacity Building Training Workshop officially began on 20 November 2023 at the University of Freiburg, Germany, under the Erasmus+ Higher Education Cooperation for Forest Landscape Restoration and Sustainable Livelihoods in Bangladesh and Vietnam (FORSU) project. This two-week international training programme brings together faculty members from partner universities in Bangladesh, Vietnam, Germany, and Finland, fostering North–South–South collaboration, academic exchange, and innovation in Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) education. The first week is being hosted by the University of Freiburg (20–24 November), followed by the second week at the University of Helsinki, Finland (27 November–1 December). The training focuses on strengthening teaching excellence, curriculum development, and international networking. During the programme, partner institutions will develop new undergraduate course curricula to enhance FLR education. The workshop was inaugurated by Professor Dr. Marc Hanewinkel, with academic sessions facilitated by experts from the University of Freiburg.



## FORSU Training Week Begins in Finland!

The FORSU capacity-building and exchange programme kicked off on 27 November 2023 at the University of Helsinki, Finland, bringing together faculty members from partner universities in Bangladesh and Vietnam.

Over five days (27 Nov–1 Dec), participants are strengthening skills in academic writing, hands-on writing practice, and using digital and AI tools to enhance teaching and research. The programme opened with welcome remarks from Professor Edward Layman Webb and an overview by Mr. Dipjoy Chakma, FORSU Project Coordinator.

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