# MSc degree in Green Chemistry and Clean Technologies Department of Chemistry of the University of Patras in collaboration with academic staff of the Department of Chemical Engineering of the University of Patras Coordinator: Professor Constantine Poulos Academic year 2012-2013

# **General Description**

The program aims are the education and training of graduates in the philosophy and the tools of Green Chemistry and their application in the design of environmentally friendly products and processes, using clean technologies, for Sustainability.

# **First Semester**

- Green Chemistry and Catalysis in Green Chemistry 10ECTS
- The environmental impact of chemical processes and alternative solvents 10ECTS
- Literature Review and Research Methodology 10ECTS

Total 30ECTS

# Second Semester

- Chemicals and Energy from Renewable Feedstock's 10ECTS
- Energy Efficiency, New Technologies and Industrial Ecology 10ECTS
- Launch of Research Activities for MSc Thesis 10ECTS

Total 30ECTS

# **Third Semester**

• MSc Thesis: Completion of the research project. Writing and Defense of the Thesis 30ECTs

Total 30ECTS

# **Courses**

# First Semester

# ► Green Chemistry and Catalysis in Green Chemistry

The cost of wastes and the changes in chemical industry Green Chemistry: Definition, philosophy and tools The 12 Principles of Green Chemistry Green Chemistry metrics Clean technologies that green chemistry offers Design of products and processes for sustainability, legislation Life Cycle Assessment. Measurement of the greenness of processes and of products Catalysis in Green Chemistry Introduction to the catalysis in green chemistry Heterogeneous acidic catalysis in industry Structured mesoporous materials as green catalysts Biocatalysts EnvirinocatsTM, the case of industrial green catalysts

#### ► The environmental impact of chemical processes and alternative solvents

Pollutants and processes for immediate solutions through green chemistry Legislation for new chemicals Environmental management of several systems Control and following of wastes Techniques for minimization of wastes Recycling, reuse and recovery for wastes Ecotoxicology Management of liquid wastes Management of solid wastes Methods of thermal treatment of wastes Biological methods for treatment of wastes Alternative solvents for chemical reactions and processes (ionic liquids, water and supercritical fluids)

# ► Literature Review and Research Methodology

#### Second Semester

#### ► Chemicals and Energy from Renewable Feedstock's

Renewables: Advantages and disadvantages Biomass: Properties, chemical composition, financial factors Biorefinery: technologies and biorefineries of phase I, II and III Biotechnological methods for the production of biofuels Gasification of biomass Pyrolysi of biomass Platforms of chemicals from biomass and their applications

#### ► Energy Efficiency, New Technologies and Industrial Ecology

Energy and clean technologies; renewable resources, production of hydrogen Fuel cells Photocatalysis Industrial ecology

#### **Third Semester**

#### ► MSc Thesis: Completion of the research project. Writing and Defence of the Thesis

#### ► Faculty members

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