

FESSUD - Finance, Environment & Sustainability

FESSUD is a multidisciplinary, pluralistic project which aims to forge alliances across the social sciences, so as to understand **how finance can better serve economic, social and environmental needs.**

The FESSUD Project runs for **5 years** from 01/12/2011 to 30/11/16 and aims to affect policy makers, representatives of the business sector, the social economy sector, the civil society sector, researchers and citizens based in different EU member states and beyond. FESSUD brings together **expertise from many leading universities** to look afresh at **how the financial system affects the world around us.** We need to know what can be done to make the financial system work for society, the economy and the environment and not – as has sometimes been the case – the other way round.

Some central issues FESSUD aims to address are: What is **financialisation** and how has it impacted on the achievement of specific **economic, social, and environmental** objectives? What is the nature of the relationship between financialisation and the sustainability of the financial system, economic development and the environment? What lessons can be drawn from the crisis about the nature and impacts of financialisation? What are the requisites of a financial system able to support a process of sustainable development, broadly conceived?

For more information about the project see:

<http://fessud.eu/>

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