Title and Code of Course: **Smart Local Governance: Technology and sustainability in governance from e-government to smart city's**

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Credit Point Value: **6**	Number of Lessons per Week: **2**	Type of Course: **Seminar** ☐ **Lecture** X	Method of Evaluation: **Examination** X **In-Class Group Presentation** ☐ **Other** ☐

Course Description:

Handling social, economic, or legal effects of the actual technologic transformation, reinforcing its positive effects, and neutralizations negative consequences it is a task of the public sector. In mean time the process transforms the public sector itself its operating, its functions, and its service delivery. The objective of the course is to show this complex phenomenon, to understand popular but difficult terms like e-government or smart city by theory and practice.

The course will discuss topics, like the theory of governance (functions, level, good governance), the role perception and organisation: welfare services in function of wellbeing (practice of public sector), social and economic challenges at the first half of 21st century, phycology of the innovative thinking, creation: creative innovative thinking, technologic development and governance (the effect on functions of the public sector and the responsibility of the public sector), strategies and public policies (directions, alternatives, visions, and their realisation). Including issues about policies and governance, like e-government and smart cities, settlements, and regions, the strategies of the European Union in function to help technologic transformation and the members states, country level strategies to help these technologic transformations and we will take a look on good practices of local governments, the drivers and obstacles of smart city developments.

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