

Land Management: Law, Finance, Real Estate & Natural Resources Master track

MSc Urban Management and Development

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Bridging Land, Water and Natural Resources

The management and governance of land are fundamental to how cities develop. "Land", which in this track is considered in its interplay with water and natural resources, has important social, economic and natural functions: the ways in which land and natural resources are accessed and managed affects equity, economic productivity and environmental resilience. Urbanisation puts heavy pressure on land and natural resources but also creates opportunities for revenue generation that should be harnessed for the public good, as land values rise.

What will I learn?

The Land Management track focuses on the relationships, conflicts and dynamics that arise in urban and peri-urban spaces across all sectors and jurisdictions. Students will analyse land governance in connection to:

1. land rights and the rule of law;
2. land markets, real estate and land-based finance;
3. the concept of resilience in relation to integrated land, water and natural resource management.

Solutions to the complex challenge of bridging land, water and natural resources in an integrated way will be exemplified through real-world scenarios. The culmination of the track will be a real-life, professional advisory assignment, where students prepare and present a tailor-made sustainable land (re)development strategy to a panel of clients. The strategy will be based on objectives and instruments covered in all three Land Management content clusters.

Course modules

Land rights and the rule of law

Land markets and finance

Land, water and natural resources

Professional advisory assignment

"The international atmosphere at IHS made me feel like I'm in one big family. I really enjoyed the innovative learning methods that used games to deepen understanding."

Jeremy Christopher Adinugroho
Indonesia



Why should I choose this programme?

- Learn from a diverse range of land policy lecturers and professionals.
- Gain insights, tools and skills to critically evaluate the dynamics in the governance of land, water and natural resources in urban and peri-urban areas.
- Benefit from applied learning through simulated scenarios and field trips to sustainable urban innovation cases in the Netherlands.
- Gain professional advisory skills through involvement in a real-life land development strategy presented to clients.

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