

# Module description

Module title  Business Strategy for Information and Network Industries					Abbreviation 12-BSINI-262-m01
holder of the Chair of Industrial Economics				Faculty of Management and Economics	
ECTS	Meth	od of grading	Only after succ. co	ly after succ. compl. of module(s)	
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Duration		Module level	Other prerequisite	Other prerequisites	
1 semester		undergraduate			
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- 1. Pricing of information goods
  - market segmentation methods
  - digital rights management and piracy
  - · alternative monetisation strategies
- 2. Network effects
  - consumer demand in markets with network effects, rational expectations
  - monopoly pricing
  - competition in markets with network effects
  - compatibility and multi-homing: dynamic competition
- 3. Competition in markets with switching costs
- 4. Two (multi)-sided markets and platforms
  - monopoly pricing in platform markets
  - competition in platform markets: non-price strategies

The course will be taught in English.

### **Intended learning outcomes**

After successful completion of this class, the students should be familiar with issues arising in many of the increasingly important hi-tech industries. They will be able to comment on emerging selling mechanisms for books, music and video. They will be able to explain the underlying logic for observed pricing patterns for software products, social media sites and the services found in the so called sharing economy. They will not only be able to understand observed behavior in information goods markets, industries which exhibit network effects and platform markets but will be able argue for new strategies in light of the specific features a market/product may exhibit.

 $\textbf{Courses} \ (\textbf{type, number of weekly contact hours, language} - \textbf{if other than German})$ 

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Module taught in: English

**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

- a) written examination (approx. 60 to 120 minutes) or
- b) portfolio (approx. 50 hours total)

Language of assessment: English

### Allocation of places

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# **Additional information**

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### Workload

150 h

## Teaching cycle

Teaching cycle: summer semester



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