

Why Communication?

Engineers spend most of their time communicating—**up to 85%**. Communication is how your engineering **earns approvals, resources, and trust**—and how you earn responsibility. Good engineering can get lost if you can't communicate it.

- Get to “yes” faster. Explain designs clearly so permits, funding, and support don’t slow the project.
- Lead across disciplines. Align mechanical, electrical, data, and policy teams with simple, precise language.
- Cut errors and delays. Use clear handovers and interface definitions to reduce rework and safety risks.
- Work internationally. Communicate concisely with partners in other countries and keep timelines on track.

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Key Details

When & where:

- 20-24 July 2026: Universidade de Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD), Portugal
- Online workshops from mid-May 2026

Why join?

Design technical communication, deliver credible messages that move projects forward, and collaborate effectively with diverse stakeholders in international settings—**grounded in realistic green-tech engineering projects**.

Who should apply?

- 3rd year students in design engineering, renewable energy systems and environment engineering
- Prepared for hands-on project experience in an English-medium, international setting.

Accreditation:

3 ECTS (workload: 75 hours)

Information, Funding and Registration

web: www.ecogt.eu/summer-school

Registration at: f-dpm@unitbv.ro
between 16-27 February 2026.

For further information or to register for the summer school, contact:

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Summer School Structure

Kick-Off

On-Site

Follow-Up

- Online Kick-Off (May 2026)
- Team Setup
- Self-directed team work
- Online groups tutorials

- Interactive workshops
- Focus on applied communication skills
- Project and team work
- International seminar and practitioner symposium
- Networking with experts

- Individual reflective journal and plan for future competency development
- Online closing workshop

Group Projects

Work in small, international teams on realistic, large-scale green-tech cases. You'll map stakeholders, set a clear communication objective, and build a concise, evidence-based plan—treating communication as a design element embedded in the engineering workflow. Collaboration is multidisciplinary and cross-border, mirroring how real projects run.

Industry Seminar

Join an industry seminar where academics and practitioners from green-tech companies unpack real communication requirements and challenges; you'll engage in Q&A, exchange ideas, and network for future collaborations, internships, or project opportunities.

Skills Workshops

Develop targeted skills for international engineering communication with experts in technical communication, engineering education, and international collaboration from across 7 European universities.

Key Takeaways

- A standout interview story — a real green-tech case you can describe end-to-end
- Evidence of team work and experience presenting to stakeholders and handling Q&A.
- International collaboration in English—exactly how many jobs operate.
- Industry connections for internships, theses, or first roles.

Design Technical Communication in Global Engineering Practice

In the European summer school **Engineering Communication for the Green Transition**, you will work on realistic green-tech projects where communication is part of the technical workflow.

In mixed, international teams you will collaboratively explore how communication is embedded in technical workflows, stakeholder processes, and public engagement, and design a technically driven communication plan and brief communities and decision-makers with evidence they can trust.

What you'll do:

- Design a defensible communication plan for a real project.
- Develop skills in stakeholder mapping, requirements analysis, internal comms, audience-first design.
- Build targeted outputs (e.g., infographic, press note, policy brief) that confidently brief boards, regulators, industry, and communities.
- Present and defend your plan to an expert panel.
- Collaborate across disciplines, cultures, and roles.
- Learn from and network with experts at a research & practitioner seminar plus industry interactions during the week.