Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development: Using IAU's HESD Portal to find and share information

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IAU - the Global Voice of Higher Education

- Global NGO created by UNESCO in 1950, based at UNESCO HQ in Paris, France
- Global Membership (HEIs, Organisations, Affiliates): 600 Members in 120+ countries
- Global Database of Higher Education with 20k+ accredited institutions: The IAU World Higher Education Database (WHED.net)
- Advocacy to UN/UNESCO
- Research, Publications, Monitoring and Networking
- Four key thematic priorities





Leadership





Digital Transformation

Internationalization

Sustainable Development/HESD

Vision

- Global voice of higher education, Influential and representative global association of diverse higher education institutions and their organisations,
- Advocating and advancing a dynamic leadership role for higher education in society

- Articulating the fundamental values and principles that underpin education and the pursuit, Dissemination and application of knowledge IAU is a think tank & forum for the development of new approaches, the sharing of best practice & the undertaking of joint action, encouraging & facilitating.



Mission

To contribute to peace and human development by

- promoting and enhancing the power of higher education to transform lives,
- build capacity,
- connect diverse peoples, generate and disseminate new knowledge,
- create insights and
- find sustainable solutions to local and global challenges.

IAU Vision, Mission & Values



Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development

Integrating sustainable development fully into higher education strategies

Objectives:

- - Encourage peer-to-peer learning
 - Monitor trends, develop and share expertise on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
 - Foster whole institution approaches at the leadership level to integrate SD priorities
 - Provide leadership training, capacity building and networking services





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Activities:

- Mapping HESD Initiatives: The IAU HESD Portal (iau-hesd.net)
- Conducting Research: 3rd IAU HESD Global Survey Report, launched in January 2023
- Capacity building & Evaluation: (virtual) events, advocacy (UN HLPF, Unesco)
- Developing & Sharing Knowledge: The IAU HESD Cluster Network, SDG Publication Series



IAU Global HESD Cluster



- Launched in 2018
- **16 Universities** from all world regions lead SDG 1 16
- up to 8 Satellite universities per subcluster (80 HEIs)
- IAU leads SDG 17: Partnerships
- IAU Member Organisations can join SDG 17

1 common Goal: to enhance HE engagement with Sustainable Development in T&L, Research



and campus and community engagement

List of Cluster Members and Satellites:



IAU HESD Survey Report

Presents data from Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) and Universities working on Sustainable Development globally

- Analyzes the current engagement of HEIs with Sustainable Development using the concept of the whole-institution approach and the 2030 Agenda
- Compares the results with the previous HESD survey (2019, 2016) and puts findings in context
- Make use of data to advocate for the significant role of higher education in fostering the 2030 Agenda through evidence and examples





Why work with the 2030 Agenda and Sustainability in education?

- SD has been on the agenda of HE for several decades, cf. **Bruntland Report (1987)**
- The <u>United Nations 2030 Agenda and the associated Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</u> adopted by UN General Assembly in 2015
- 17 SDGs that can be sorted into 5 dimensions/pillars of Agenda 2030: *People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace, Partnerships*
- The 2030 Agenda is universal and holistic (for all countries, societies, and humans)
- Sustainability is the overarching concept, climate action and reducing emissions are one (very important) part of the whole picture
- 2030 Agenda is complimented by other multinational agreements such as the Paris Agreement 2015, regional & national agreements/policies (EU Green Deal)





IAU HESD Portal www.iau-hesd.net



Welcome to the IAU portal

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Register and

submit your

HESD actions

News & Events

Latest actions

Welcome to the Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development (HESD) Portal

This global portal is a tool developed by the International Association of Universities (IAU) for its Members, partners and the general public already since 2012. It provides access to university actions and more initiatives developed around the world to promote sustainability and contribute to the SDGs.

Update on relaunch/maintenance work starting 15 November 2023:

New functionalities and an improved layout - IAU is pleased to present the latest version of IAU HESD Portal. Kindly note that we are still making changes in the weeks to come, so in case you encounter any issues, please try again or contact us to report a problem. Thank you for your patience and we hope you enjoy the new page!

Find initiatives, connect and be active for a more sustainable future and the UN SDGs!

IAU Members' and Partners' News

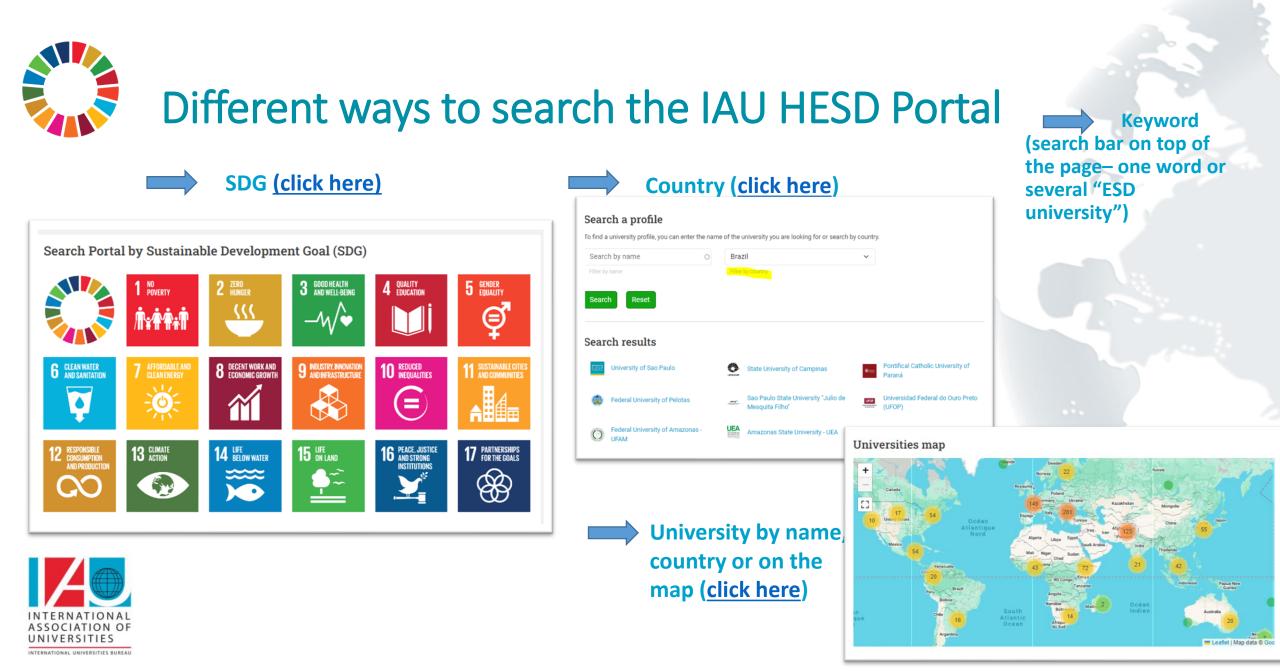
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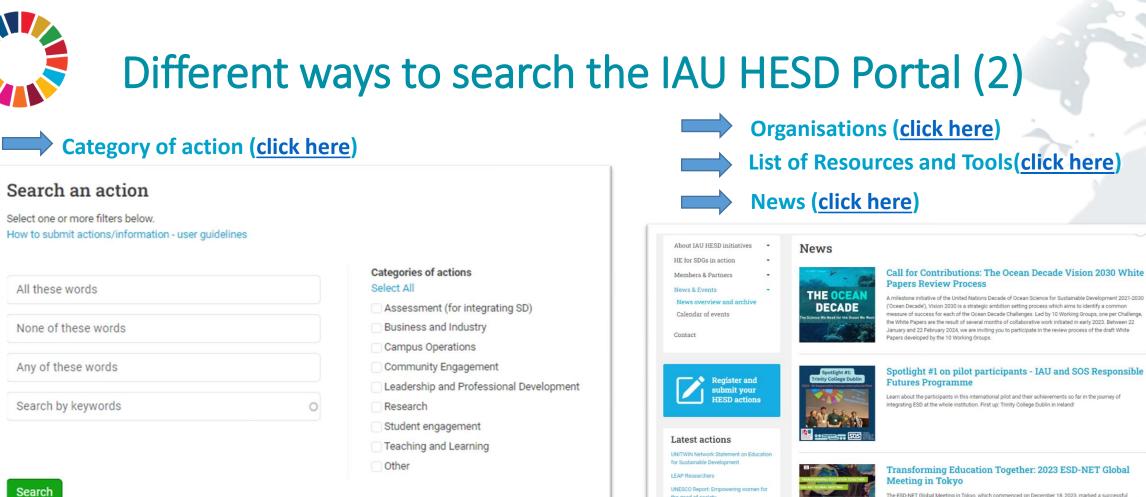
Free and accessible to all users Search by:

- Keyword
- Country
- University
- Category
- SDG

Submit actions for your university/organisation here.

IAU Members already have profiles and are highlighted.







Transforming Education Together: 2023 ESD-NET Global

The ESD-NET Global Meeting in Tokyo, which commenced on December 18, 2023, marked a successful gathering at the United Nations University with the presence of representatives from more than 80 countries. This year's meeting focused on sharing the implementation and progress of the ESD-2030 national initiatives, trends, challenges and innovations within the framework of Agenda 2030 and discussing the action points for the next two years 2024-2025.

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UNESCO Recommendation on Education

for Peace, Human Rights and Sustainable

the good of society

Development

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Thank you!

Get engaged with IAU HESD initiatives

- IAU Publications: <u>https://www.iau-aiu.net/HESD</u>
- IAU Horizons on Leadership for a Sustainable Future

IAU-SOS Responsible Futures International – sign up for 2024

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