HIGHER EDUCATION UNDERPINS ALL THE SDGS

Higher education (HE) plays a key role in achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SD) and related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Leaders of universities and other HE institutions (HEIs), academic and administrative staff, students and other HE stakeholders are driving the processes towards a more sustainable present and future.

THE IAU ABC STRATEGY FOR HESD

Advise & Advocate – Develop leadership training, capacity building and networking services; develop guidelines for embedding SD in HE and Research; represent the voice of our Members.

Build Synergies & Network – 650 IAU Members – institutions and organizations; strategic partnerships with specialized associations and organizations to network initiatives and scale up action; IAU Key Partner Network in UNESCO’s Global Action Programme on Education for SD, with a focus on the whole institution approach.

Communicate & Convene – Monitor trends and issues relating to Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development (HESD); disseminate and share information; organize conferences, workshops and seminars related to HESD and participate in targeted events.
A UNIQUE ONLINE PORTAL: MAPPING, NETWORKING AND ADVOCATING FOR HESD

The IAU HESD Portal is a tool accessible to all, for increased engagement in SD, spotlighting IAU Members’ and Partners’ commitment to SD, generating synergies and networking around the world.

On the Portal... www.iau-hesd.net/en

PROMOTE AND CO-CREATE YOUR HESD ACTIONS!

- Business & community outreach
- Student engagement
- Leadership, management & institutional development
- Education, curriculum and professional development
- Research
- Assessment for integrating sustainable development

IAU MEMBERS & PARTNERS – NEWS FEED

Calls for papers / contributions, workshops, trainings, sustainability awards...

HESD REFERENCES

Vast collection of documents: reports on HESD, declarations and charters, assessment tools, questionnaires and surveys. Some 250 bibliographical additional references on SD available on HEDBIB.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS ON HESD

Through the IAU Portal, HEIs and Organizations contribute directly to the UNESCO Global Action Programme on Education for Sustainable Development.

This leaflet presents only a few examples of the content published on the IAU HESD Portal. To know more about how IAU collects and processes the data, please consult our Data source presentation on the IAU HESD Portal home page.

Key Partner
UNESCO Global Action Programme on Education for Sustainable Development
Join IAU and become involved in a worldwide higher education community working on HESD

IAU maintains strong ties with UNESCO, works on sustainable development since 1993, with the signing of the IAU Kyoto Declaration, contributed substantively to the UN Decade on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), played a key role at the World Conference on ESD in Nagoya (2014) and World Education Forum in Incheon (2015). The IAU strategic plan 2016-2020 launched in Bangkok focuses strongly on HESD.

Join the 650 IAU Members - institutions and organizations - based in some 130 countries to:

- Take joint action on the SDGs
- Commit to a shared vision and values and enrich the debates and dialogues on HESD
- Use the multiple higher education and research partnership and collaboration opportunities to further develop your action at local, national, regional and global levels
- Use IAU portals and databases to develop your networks
- Promote your actions, events, publications and other ESD initiatives
- Exchange practice, co-create new initiatives
- Get inspired by higher education leaders, teaching and research colleagues from around the world
- Receive annual ESD trends analysis and ensure your university is visible

As an IAU Member, all these opportunities are freely available to the staff of your institution/organization.

The International Association of Universities (IAU)

Founded in 1950, the IAU is a UNESCO NGO Partner (associate status). It is the leading global association of higher education institutions and associations. The IAU works on various thematic priorities including leadership in HE, internationalization of HE and HE for sustainable development.

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