



**BAKU
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POLICY ON SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOAL 17: PARTNERSHIPS FOR
THE GOALS**

1. POLICY STATEMENT

Baku Engineering University (BEU) is committed to advancing **Sustainable Development Goal 17: Partnerships for the Goals**, which emphasizes strengthening global, regional, and local partnerships to support the achievement of all SDGs. BEU fosters collaboration across academia, industry, government, and civil society to build inclusive, innovative, and sustainable development networks.

2. OBJECTIVES

- Strengthen academic, research, and institutional partnerships aligned with the SDGs.
- Promote international cooperation, knowledge exchange, and joint ventures.
- Engage in national and regional development programs in line with Azerbaijan's sustainability agenda.
- Foster public-private-people partnerships to address global and local challenges.

3. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- **Collaboration:** Work with diverse partners to amplify collective impact.
- **Mutual Benefit:** Ensure partnerships are based on shared goals, trust, and reciprocity.
- **Innovation and Knowledge Sharing:** Use collaborative innovation to tackle sustainability issues.
- **Capacity Building:** Support education, research, and institutional growth through cooperation.

4. ALIGNMENT WITH NATIONAL STRATEGIES

This policy supports:

- **Azerbaijan 2030: National Priorities**, particularly “Development of a Competitive and Inclusive Economy” and “Active and Responsible Citizenship.”
- **Strategic Road Maps for the National Economy and Key Sectors (2016–2025)**
- **State Program for the Development of International Cooperation in Higher Education (2022–2030)**
- **National Innovation and Digital Transformation Agenda**

5. ALIGNMENT WITH BAKU ENGINEERING UNIVERSITY STRATEGIC GOALS

This policy contributes to:

- **Goal 2:** “Internationalization and Strategic Partnerships”
- **Goal 5:** “Excellence in Research and Innovation”
- **Goal 6:** “Sustainable Development and Social Impact”

6. KEY STRATEGIES

6.1 Strategic Academic and Research Partnerships

- Establish joint research centers and projects with universities globally.
- Engage in dual-degree programs, academic exchanges, and Erasmus+ initiatives.
- Participate in international research consortia on SDG-related themes.

6.2 Government and Industry Engagement

- Collaborate with ministries, state agencies, and local authorities on national development plans.
- Partner with industries for innovation hubs, internships, and applied research.
- Join policy forums and public consultations on education and sustainability.

6.3 Community and Civil Society Collaboration

- Cooperate with NGOs on local development and inclusion projects.
- Support entrepreneurship and youth engagement through mentorship programs.
- Promote SDG-focused volunteering and social innovation initiatives.

6.4 Digital and Knowledge Networks

- Use digital platforms to share best practices and research findings.
- Host international conferences, roundtables, and webinars.
- Contribute to global education and sustainability networks like the UNAI and IAU.

7. IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

The **Office of International Relations and Development Projects**, in coordination with academic units, will implement and monitor this policy. Key indicators include:

- Number of active SDG-related partnerships and MoUs
- Joint research publications and funded projects
- Student and staff participation in international programs
- External recognition and rankings for international cooperation

8. REVIEW AND REVISIONS

This policy will be reviewed every two years to evaluate partnership effectiveness, identify new strategic opportunities, and align with updates in national and global SDG agendas.

