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Policy of NJSC «D. Serikbayev EKTU»



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1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1 Goal



The United Nations Sustainable Development Goal No. 16, “Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions,” aims to promote peaceful and inclusive societies, ensure access to justice for all, and build accountable, transparent, and effective institutions at all levels.

D. Serikbayev East Kazakhstan Technical University recognizes that its educational, research, and administrative activities contribute to shaping a culture of justice, trust, and civic responsibility. The university acknowledges its role in strengthening the principles of integrity, transparency, accountability, and the rule of law within the academic environment.

This policy is part of the overall sustainable development strategy of EKTU and is aimed at implementing the principles of ethical governance, openness, and the protection of the rights of all participants in the educational process. The policy applies to all structural divisions of the university, academic staff, administrative personnel, and the student community.

Each unit of EKTU is obliged to ensure that its activities comply with the provisions of this policy and integrate them into the university’s educational, research, and administrative processes.

2. MAIN PRINCIPLES

- 1) Mutually beneficial cooperation — partnerships are built on the principles of equality, respect, trust, and exchange of experience.
- 2) Integration and openness — the results of joint activities are accessible to society, and partnership practices are integrated into educational and research processes.
- 3) Transparency and accountability — all agreements and projects are implemented in compliance with ethical and legal standards, with open reporting on the results.
- 4) Innovation — scientific and technological initiatives aimed at solving sustainable development challenges are encouraged and supported.
- 5) Contribution to regional and global development — partnerships contribute to strengthening human potential, developing infrastructure, and promoting the dissemination of knowledge.

3. MAIN DIRECTIONS OF THE POLICY

1) International and inter-university cooperation

EKTU develops academic ties with foreign and domestic universities and participates in international networks and consortia. Joint educational and research projects are implemented with foreign universities, including cooperation with SeoulTech (South Korea) in the field of engineering education and sustainable development. Academic mobility programs for teachers and students are being expanded. The university actively participates in international grants, forums, and conferences, promoting the experience of Kazakhstani engineering education.

2) Cooperation with industrial and public organizations

EKTU collaborates with regional enterprises to organize internships, practical training, and research and production projects. Jointly with businesses and NGOs, initiatives in environmental, social, and innovative areas are implemented. The university facilitates the introduction of technologies and knowledge necessary for the development of the region and the country.

3) Development of scientific and technological partnerships

Interdisciplinary research centers and laboratories are being established.

The university develops a Competence Center for Ecology and Life Safety, which focuses on environmental research and supports the implementation of the SDGs. Opportunities for technology transfer and the exchange of scientific data between partners are being expanded.

4) Educational and outreach cooperation

The university conducts training sessions, seminars, and lectures on sustainable development, innovation, and international cooperation.

Students and faculty members are involved in volunteer and social initiatives within the framework of the SDGs. EKTU supports participation in international projects, competitions, and startup programs that strengthen academic partnership.

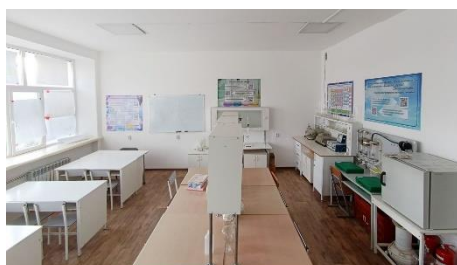
5) Monitoring and improvement of partnership activities

Regular analysis of cooperation effectiveness is carried out, as well as assessment of the contribution of partnerships to the sustainable development of the university and the region.

The university publishes reports on the results of partnership activities, international projects, and achieved indicators.

Based on the analysis, strategies for cooperation are adjusted, and new directions of partnership are expanded.





4. EKTU IN THE RANKINGS FOR SDG 17

In 2025, EKTU entered the group of 1001–1500 best universities in the world according to the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings.

According to SDG 17 “Partnerships for the Goals,” the university ranks in the 1501+ category, reflecting the initial stage of systematizing partnership activities in the context of sustainable development and the potential for expanding cross-sectoral and international cooperation.

5. RESPONSIBLE PARTNERSHIP FUNDING AND DONATIONS

East Kazakhstan Technical University named after D. Serikbaev considers responsible partnership-based financing and donations as a tool for developing sustainable and mutually beneficial partnerships within the framework of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The attraction of financial and other forms of support from governmental, private, and public organizations is carried out provided that such support aligns with the mission of EKTU and adheres to the principles of academic independence, transparency, and social responsibility. A key aspect is ensuring transparency, integrity, and ethical standards in the management of donations, as well as guaranteeing that the funds are used to achieve EKTU's goals in its educational, research, and social activities.

When considering partnership contributions, environmental, social, and reputational aspects of the potential partners' activities are taken into account, including their impact on the sustainable development of the region. Priority is given to cooperation with organizations that support environmental responsibility, sustainable technologies, and the development of science and education.

The implementation of this approach contributes to the formation of an ethical and sustainable financial foundation for the University, strengthens partner trust, and enhances EKTU's contribution to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

EKTU will accept donations that comply with moral and ethical principles, as well as the goals and values of the institution. Donations from sources that could damage EKTU's reputation or violate legislation are not permitted.

Funds will be allocated to EKTU's priority programs and projects:

1. Support for scientific research and development.
2. Development of educational programs and infrastructure.
3. Social support for students and faculty.
4. Implementation of innovative technologies in the educational process.
5. Environmental initiatives and sustainable development projects.

6. PLANNED MEASURES

For the purpose of implementing the Policy of D. Serikbaev East Kazakhstan Technical University on SDG 17 "Partnerships for the Goals, the following measures are planned to be implemented:



7. EXPECTED RESULTS



Expansion of the network of international and national partners.

Increased efficiency of educational and research projects through cooperation.

Attraction of external funding and investments through partnership programs.



Growth in the number of joint publications, research projects, and innovative developments.

Strengthening of EKTU's position in international sustainability rankings, including THE Impact Rankings for SDG 17 "Partnerships for the Goals."

Formation of EKTU's image as an open, responsible, and globally oriented university.

8. CONCLUSIONS

The implementation of the SDG 17 "Partnerships for the Goals" policy at D. Serikbayev East Kazakhstan Technical University represents a strategically significant instrument for the institutional development of the university within the framework of the global sustainable development agenda.

The university's partnership activities serve as a foundation for integrating its scientific, educational, and innovative potential with the needs of society, the state, and business. The establishment of sustainable cross-sectoral and international alliances promotes knowledge transfer, technological exchange, and the development of joint

research initiatives aimed at addressing current socio-economic and environmental challenges.

The introduction of this policy will systematically strengthen EKTU's scientific and educational ties, enhance the efficiency of resource utilization, intensify international cooperation, and expand the university's contribution to achieving national sustainable development priorities.

Thus, EKTU is shaping the model of a modern partnership-oriented university capable of being an active participant in the global network of cooperation, ensuring the progressive advancement of science, education, and innovation in the interests of a sustainable future.

