

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

Governance, Leadership and Management		Climate Strategy Policy	
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1- TITLE:

Climate Strategy Policy

2- PURPOSE:

- 2-1 To outline the university's climate action plan and the measures and policies to reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions.
- 2-2 The climate action plan acts as a road map for IAU officials as they consider climate change in the context of meeting the demands of the university's expanding student body, preserving and improving our quality of life, and fostering economic stability.
- 2-3 The university commits to leading the shift to a sustainable future through its research, teaching, and influence and aggressively creating a plan to achieve carbon neutrality.
- 2-4 The University aims to achieve net zero emissions by 2050 by aligning with worldwide efforts to limit warming to 1.5°C. Carbon management will be integrated into all activities and procedures.

3- DEFINITIONS:

- 3-1 **Climate Change:** is a long-term variation in the earth's weather patterns or average temperature.
- 3-2 **Greenhouse Gas (GHG):** Carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, and other synthetic compounds are the most significant greenhouse gases.
- 3-3 **Emission:** It is a quantity of an environmentally hazardous material, particularly carbon dioxide, that is created and released into the atmosphere.
- 3-4 **Net Zero Emission:** This refers to reducing carbon emissions to a negligible level that can be absorbed and stored by nature, as well as other carbon dioxide removal procedures, leaving no carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
- 3-5 **Carbon Neutrality:** a balance between carbon emissions and atmospheric carbon absorption.
- 3-6 **Resilience:** The ability to effectively recover and bounce from obstacles and failures.
- 3-7 **Mitigate:** Any action that prevents an emergency minimizes the likelihood of an emergency occurring or minimizes the negative consequences of unavoidable events.
- 3-8 **Multimodal Transportation:** Transportation of goods or products under one contract but using at least two modes of transportation.
- 3-9 **Renewable Energy:** Energy derived from a non-depleting source is referred to as renewable energy, which often has a minimal or zero carbon footprint, is self-replenishing, and is natural.
- 3-10 **Catastrophic:** Abrupt and severe harm or devastation. The unregulated expansion of the use of fossil fuels might have disastrous environmental consequences.
- 3-11 **Hazard:** A hazard is a source or condition that can cause harm, such as human injury, property damage, environmental damage, or a combination of these.

4- POLICIES:

- 4-1 Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University (IAU) encourages emission reductions and develops an implementation plan to prioritize actions, define funding requirements, and define roles and responsibilities.
- 4-2 IAU is committed to implementing government recommendations to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions, increase climate change resilience, and improve university operations.
- 4-3 IAU intends to take the lead in mitigating the effects of climate change and ensuring that the university is prepared to adapt to a changing climate.
- 4-4 IAU advocates adopting a systematic, uniform government climate change strategy to achieve a common, focused goal of reducing GHG emissions.

5- PROCEDURES:

- 5-1 The university should draft position papers, legislative suggestions, and other policy-based measures and urge government levels to fund the programs.



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- 5-2 IAU should promote climate literacy by informing all personnel about the facts of climate change and the importance of taking action to address it.
- 5-3 The university should develop and implement global agreements to reduce global GHG emissions, to reach net-zero emissions by 2050.
- 5-4 IAU should create rules and architectural guidelines for multimodal transportation.
- 5-5 The university must reduce energy consumption, increase the use of renewable energy, and investigate novel methods to reduce direct and indirect emissions in accordance with the measures required to prevent catastrophic climate change.
- 5-6 The university must contribute to advancing domestic energy independence by using environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable technologies and renewable energy sources.
- 5-7 IAU must implement a resilience plan that promotes and directs its growth, leads hazard mitigation efforts and is incorporated into thorough planning procedures.
- 5-8 The university must develop technical support for development and offer resources that support resilient development, such as research, applications, and checklists that developers and IAU can use.
- 5-9 IAU must develop a strategy outlining emissions reductions and establishing an implementation timeline for the short, middle, and long terms to ensure that the colleges can move steadily toward their climate goals.

6- RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 6-1 University Administration
- 6-2 Supervisors at all levels should inform their employees
- 6-3 Deans and Vice Deans

7- DISTRIBUTIONS:

- All Deanships
- All Colleges
- Make available to access through the intranet
- P&P Unit, DQAA

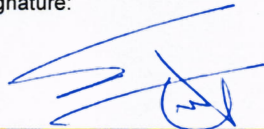
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