

Sustainability Committee Quarterly Report 1- 2024

Reporting Period: Q1

Date and Time: March 25, 2024

Location: AzTU Campus, Conference Room A

Chairperson: Prof. Vilayat Valiyev, Rector

Secretary: PhD(c) Bakhtiyar Badalov

1. Attendees





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2.Agenda

The meeting adhered to the following agenda:

1. Opening and Welcome.

Opening remarks by the Chairman

- 2. Discussion on New Topics
 - a. Topic 1: Campus Operations
 - b. Topic 2: Promoting Sustainability Research
 - c. Topic 3. Community Engagement
- 3. Voting and Approval of Resolutions
 - a. Consensus or ballot voting as required.





Meeting Proceedings:

- The Chairperson, Prof. Vilayat Valiyev, made opening remarks
- Members raised queries on unresolved items as described below

Discussion Highlights:

1. Campus Operations

- i. Ass.Prof. Huseyngulu Guliyev provided the overview of energy audits which were conducted across campus buildings to identify areas for improvement.
- ii. Prof.Subhan Namazov and two more members made recommendations to install energy-efficient lighting in administrative and academic buildings.
- iii. Prof. Vilayat Valiyev referred a pilot program that was launched to source sustainable and locally produced food for the canteens, reducing the university's carbon footprint
- iv. Resolution: Conduct new initiatives for a food waste management system in university canteens by Q2 and the installation of energy-efficient lighting across campus buildings.

2. Education and research

- i. Prof. Nurali Yusifbayli announced that two new courses focusing on renewable energy and sustainable agriculture were introduced in the Faculty of Engineering and Environmental Sciences.
- ii. Ass.Prof. Gara Hasanov referred faculty members' collaboration on a research project exploring the use of renewable energy in urban settings.
- iii. Resolution: Initial findings of the research were decided to be published by Q3

3. Community Engagement

- i. Ass.Prof.Natavan Namazova highlighted the number of participants (over 300) attending at a workshop series on sustainable living practices.
- ii. Prof.Subhan Namazov added that over 150 students participated in a sustainability hackathon, where innovative solutions for campus energy efficiency were developed.
- iii. Prof.Vilayat Valiyev referred partnerships of AzTU made with local government agencies to explore opportunities for reducing food waste at a city level
- iv. Resolution: Such collaborations are going to be expanded

4. Closing and Approval of Resolutions:

A. Resolutions were voted upon, with key decisions reaching consensus





B. The meeting concluded with a note of thanks from the Chairman, acknowledging members' contributions and setting tentative dates for the next session. The meeting was adjourned officially.

