



HESI+10 GLOBAL FORUM 6 July 2022

HESI+10 Webinar

Integrating Sustainable Development Goals into higher education

09.00 - 10.30 AM (EDT), 1 June 2022, virtual

The Higher Education Sustainability Initiative (HESI) is an open partnership between several United Nations entities and the higher education community to highlight the critical role of higher education in achieving sustainable development.

Each year, HESI organizes a global forum as a special event to the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)¹ – UN's main platform for the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level. The 2022 HESI+10 Global Forum, which will be held on 6 July 2022 as a virtual event, will place a particular focus on deepening the understanding of the challenges and opportunities the higher education community can play in building back better from the COVID-19 while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in line with the theme of HLPF in 2022.

Three open webinars on topics related to the theme of HLPF will be held in the lead-up to the forum. The output of the webinars will feed into the discussions of the forum. Details and the recording of the first webinar, held on 27 April 2022, are available on the HESI website.

For the implementation of the SDGs to have the greatest impact, they must be interwoven and mainstreamed into national policies, plans and strategies. This notion also applies to programmes, curricula, and strategies of Higher education institutions (HEIs), which act as hubs for innovation and critical thinking, nurturing each generation of leaders, policy makers, entrepreneurs, scientists, researchers, and educators.

The second webinar in the series will explore different approaches to integrating SDGs into higher education, through research, teaching, and learning.

More information and registration to the forum and webinars is available at the HESI website at: https://sdgs.un.org/HESI

¹ https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf

Programme

Time	Agenda
09.00 – 09.05 AM	Opening
09.05 – 09.15 AM	Feedback exercise from the audience
09.15 – 10.20 AM	Panel discussion - Integrating Sustainable Development Goals into higher education
	Guiding questions:
	 What are the main challenges and opportunities that you observe when it comes to integrating the SDGs into higher education? What are some of the good practices to integrate and mainstream SDGs into curricula, research, strategies and organizational practices of higher education institutions? How would you like to see the SDGs shaping the future of higher education? How has the COVID-19 pandemic affected the integration of the SDGs in higher education?
	Panelists:
	 Mr. Akio Takemoto, United Nations University Mr. David Smith, Director, Centre for Environmental Management, Coordinator, Institute for Sustainable Development, University of the West Indies Ms. Ana Simaens, Iscte Business School
	 Ms. Isabel Rimanoczy Convener, PRME Working Group Sustainability Mindset Mr. John Thwaites, Monash Sustainable Development Institute & Climateworks Centre Mr. Arif Satria, Director, IPB University Ms. Saba Kittur, President OIKOS, Bangalore
	Moderated by: Mr. Jean-Christophe Carteron, President, Sulitest
10.20 – 10.30 AM	Next steps for HESI+10/Closing remarks