



Sustainable Procurement Policy

1. Purpose

The Sustainable Procurement Policy aims to ensure that October 6 University's procurement activities support environmental sustainability, social responsibility, and economic efficiency. The university is committed to purchasing goods and services in a manner that minimizes environmental impact, promotes ethical practices, and supports sustainable development while achieving best value for money.

2. Scope of Application

This policy applies to all procurement activities carried out by the university, including those conducted by:

- Faculties
- Administrative departments
- Research centers
- Laboratories
- Service units

This policy covers all goods, services, equipment, and procurement related to construction activities funded by the university's resources.

3. Policy Principles

The university is committed to integrating sustainability considerations into procurement decisions through the following principles:

3.1 Environmental Responsibility

The university prioritizes products and services that:

- Reduce energy and water consumption



- Minimize waste and packaging materials
- Use recycled or recyclable materials
- Have lower greenhouse gas emissions
- Comply with environmental standards and certifications

3.2 Social Responsibility

The university gives preference to suppliers who:

- Respect human rights and fair labor practices
- Provide safe working conditions
- Prohibit child labor and forced labor
- Promote equality and diversity in employment opportunities

3.3 Economic Sustainability

Procurement decisions are based on criteria including:

- Purchase price
- Operation and maintenance costs
- Energy consumption
- Disposal and recycling costs

3.4 Ethical Controls in Procurement

All procurement activities must follow transparent, fair, and accountable procedures to ensure integrity and prevent conflicts of interest.

4. Sustainable Procurement Practices

The university implements the following practices:

- Purchasing energy-efficient equipment and devices
- Preferring products with certified environmental labels



- Reducing the use of single-use plastics and non-recyclable materials
- Supporting local and environmentally responsible suppliers whenever possible
- Promoting digital procurement processes (where feasible) to reduce paper use

5. Supplier Requirements

Suppliers working with the university are encouraged to:

- Comply with environmental laws and regulations
- Demonstrate sustainable production and supply chain practices
- Provide information on the environmental impact of their products
- Minimize packaging materials and waste during delivery

6. Responsibilities

- **Procurement Department:** Implement and monitor sustainable procurement practices
- **Faculties and Departments:** Ensure procurement decisions comply with this policy
- **Community Service and Environmental Affairs Council:** Provide guidance and promote awareness of sustainable procurement practices

7. Monitoring and Review

The university periodically reviews procurement practices to assess compliance with this policy and identify opportunities for improvement. Sustainability



performance indicators may be included in procurement reports.

8. Policy Review

This policy shall be reviewed every three years to ensure alignment with institutional sustainability objectives and evolving best practices in the field.

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