

Higher Education and the Green Transition



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Key Pillar of European Education Area





Green transition: actions in education



Some key ideas



Education and the Green Deal

Education and training sector needs to adapt for and contribute to the green transition

Sustainability competences

Equipping learners of all ages with the competences they need to live and act more sustainably

An opportunity for education

Opportunity to make learning more relevant, meaningful and engaging



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Council Recommendation on Learning for the Green Transition and Sustainable Development (adopted on 16/6/22)

Recommendations for Member States

Systems

Fully embed environmental sustainability throughout education and training. Invest in green infrastructure. Support cooperation and networking.

Provide opportunities for high quality learning about and for the environment. Facilitate active and positive learning.

Learners

Educators

All educators have a role in teaching for sustainability. Professional development opportunities and resources are key, for pre- and inservice educators.

Institutions

Whole-institutional approaches. Support monitoring and evaluation. Facilitate partnerships and collaboration.



Invites the Commission to...

facilitate support and peer learning (6-7/12/22, with Slovenia)

> develop and share resources and research

> > support educators



monitor development of green skills

report on progress

strengthen links at international level

boost green dimension of Erasmus+

Key priority of 2023 Erasmus+ Key action 2 calls





Peer Learning Activity on higher education sector's contribution to learning for the green transition and sustainable development Co-hosted by Slovenia, 6-7 December 2022





Council Conclusions on skills and competences for the green transition

Agreed at Education Council on 7 March 2023

Focused on reskilling and upskilling for the green transition

Emphasised urgency and inter-sectoral, inclusive approaches





European Strategy for Universities

Promote whole-institutional approaches to sustainability

Support peer learning

Support short learning courses on green skills, leading to micro-credentials

Develop partnerships

Promote and monitor Green and Blue Erasmus+ and MSCA

Green villages: community engagement, supported through Horizon Europe

R&I action plans on green energy transformation and greening of industrial ecosystems



Inspirational Leaders: European Universities



Neuroscience Social sciences European identity **Global Health** Active citizenship Cultural heritage Fine arts & Film Migration Multilingualism **Climate change** UN SDGs Sustainable Blue Biodiversity Growth Technology **Circular economy**

Transdisciplinary long-term visions - challenge-based approach



Thank you for your attention! Questions?



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