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Waste management refers to the prevention of waste generation, reduction of it in its source, reuse and sorting it due to its feature and type, accumulation, collection, temporary storage, transportation, recycling and disposal of it, monitoring, control and control activities of waste after the disposal processes.

Waste management policy is a set of strategies including short- and long-term programs and policies prepared to ensure waste management in harmony with the environment.

With its waste management policy, Istanbul Gelisim University aims to reduce the use of natural resources and ensure waste management through some ways such as reduction of waste generation, reuse, recycle and regaining of them.

For this purpose, the University develops measures and incentives and ensures the implementation of its policy.

Basic Values

Basic values on which the Waste Management and Environment Reduction Policy of the University is based are as follows:

- 1. Service to Humanity:** The University contributes to humanity through its activities and messages to society.
- 2. Responsibility for Protection of Nature:** It is an institution that directly affects its environment and that is directly affected from it. Working for the quality and sustainability of its environment is a social responsibility for universities as well as for every individual.
- 3. Creating Environmental Awareness:** The university aims to educate young generations to transfer this information to future generations and to sustain a livable environment.
- 4. Raising Awareness:** The University tries to raise awareness by attracting the attention of the society through its activities.
- 5. Service to Society:** The University educates environmentally friendly citizens through its trainings.

Strategy of Waste Management and Reduction of Environmentally Hazardous Products:

The cornerstones of the Waste Management and Environmental Hazard Reduction Policy Strategy, which are shaped around these values, are as follows:

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The waste management strategy is updated, discussed, evaluated and agreed with the feedback collected, good examples from the universities of the world and relevant non-governmental organizations, and waste management guidelines set by the state.

The wastes that may occur as a result of administrative/academic/social activities are determined in the University and it is made planning for the proper separation and recycling.

The university determines the budget by making planning and needs analysis for the practices determined for the waste management strategy.

For each process planned to be carried out within the University for the purpose of waste management, planning is made on the basis of "PUKO cycle" which means plan-apply-check-take action.

The University is committed to prevent diseases through taking due care in its activities by providing and maintaining healthy and safe conditions on campuses.

In the applications to be made for the reduction, reuse, recycling and disposal of wastes, it is taken action by following the relevant technological developments and determining appropriate methods.

In the materials, systems and methods to be selected with the purpose of reducing wastes at the source, the efficiency enhancing applications will be preferred and waste materials are reduced.

Wastes are prevented from being delivered to the nature directly or indirectly; wastes are collected at their source by sorting and transported safely out of the university and they are disposed.

The University supports this strategy by providing the necessary training to the personnel and students it includes in its body within the scope of the strategies and practices determined in waste management in the scientific and social activities it organizes. It clearly declares the sanctions to be imposed in case of non-compliance with the decisions taken in this regard.

Targets of Waste Management and Reduction of Environmentally Hazardous Products:

1. To develop environmental awareness.
2. To leave a more livable world for future generations.
3. To teach the society the environmental damage caused by wastes left to nature.
4. To teach that all living species have the right to live in harmony in a clean environment.

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5. To encourage the recycling of wastes by reducing them.
6. To organize various activities in order to raise awareness on recycling and reduction of wastes.
7. To be an exemplary organization in the environment with the decisions and actions taken.

Indicators are created to monitor the degree of realization of these objectives. Realization percentages are determined and corrective and remedial measures are taken.

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