



REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY RECTORATE
Policy of Sustainability Research

As an actor of the world of science, İstanbul Gelisim University has built its national and international researches on policy and strategies of sustainability. The University focuses on the concept of sustainability, especially in the social, economic and environmental context, and takes care to design and conduct its research in this context and encourages its researchers in this direction.

In contrast to the satisfaction of existing needs, the concept of sustainability emphasizes the welfare of future generations, and in particular requires a strong balance between limited natural resources and needs. Working of this tripartite structure in harmony takes place both by meeting current needs and producing information that will increase the welfare of the future by using today's natural resources. Therefore, the fact that information is transformed into technology through research, and it constitutes a locomotive for the foundation of a sustainable economy and society by triggering productivity and productivity shows us how important research responsibility is. In addition, structuring research ethics to support the existing ecosystem and not to threaten the life cycle has a complementary nature.

Through this policy, the University aims to remind the researchers of the scientist responsibility and to encourage the highest standards of sustainability in any research designed and conducted on human, animal and environment by emphasizing the future generations through the concept of sustainability in designing and conducting phases of the researches

Basic Values

The basic values on which the university's sustainability research policy is based are as follows:

1. **Sustainable community welfare;** The University builds research and development activities designed and sustained on sustainability to increase the welfare of the society and implements institutional support and incentive mechanisms by giving priority to this field. The sustainability of social welfare is only possible through the production and use of knowledge and science more effectively, and as a result of this, by improving the quality of life of individuals and reaching higher living standards of societies.
2. **Creation of new information and technological transformation;** The University is aware of the fact that the scientific knowledge obtained as a result of the sustainability research and development activities contribute to the sustainable economy if transformed into technology. It

makes initiatives and formations that can form the basis of economic growth as a means of transforming the scientific knowledge reached into productivity, efficiency and welfare.

3. Global collaborations in sustainability research; As a national and international actor, the University collaborates with all other actors in this field to design and conduct research and development activities in the field of sustainability. It strongly encourages and supports university researchers to engage in research partnerships with other researchers in domestic and foreign institutions.

4. Institutional responsibility: The University is responsible to the public and the environment for the research and development activities designed and carried out by the academic staff on sustainability. It takes care to present its research in an ethical framework and to obey the principles of impartiality and openness.

Policy of Sustainability Research Strategy:

The cornerstones of the policy strategy for sustainability research, which are shaped around these values are as follows:

The research and development activities to be realized within the scope of sustainability are carried out in accordance with the research and development strategy undertaken under the university's research policy.

Sustainability Research Policy Objectives:

1. To provide sustainable physical opportunities to researchers and to strengthen the infrastructure.
2. To devote research resources to sustainable community welfare and the environment.
3. To open the knowledge base to unlimited access and support the knowledge base with new resources.
4. To contribute to sustainable economic growth and development.

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

Approval of the Rectorate