

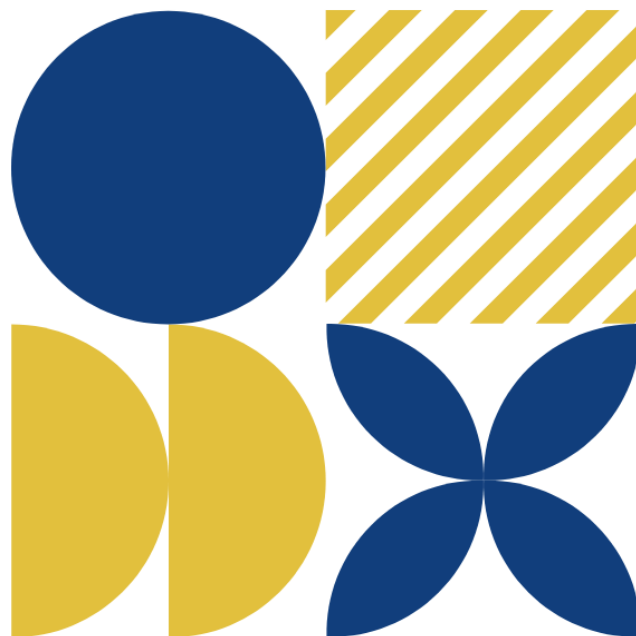


Sustainable investment policy **NUBiP of Ukraine** **2030**



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The National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine (the University), recognizing its responsibility toward the sustainable development of society and the fulfillment of national and international obligations, frames its investment policy in alignment with the principles of sustainable development, as established by Ukrainian legislation and guided by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The University acknowledges the importance of balancing financial objectives with the integration of environmental, social, and governance considerations within its investment approach. In accordance with prevailing Ukrainian legal norms and strategic policy priorities, investments are directed with regard to the potential contribution to ecological security, social justice, and the economic well-being of future generations.

NUBiP's sustainable investment approach builds upon Ukraine's evolving regulatory landscape, particularly the National Bank of Ukraine's Sustainable Finance Development Policy 2025, which aims to integrate ESG criteria into financial services and achieve sustainable development outcomes. The university's policy aligns with national legislation requiring environmental impact assessments and green bond frameworks introduced in 2021. This alignment ensures institutional compliance while positioning NUBiP at the forefront of sustainable finance implementation in Ukrainian higher education.

The policy framework incorporates the European Green Deal principles and Ukraine's EU integration commitments, recognizing that sustainable finance development requires systematic approaches addressing climate and environmental challenges of the 21st century. The university acknowledges Ukraine's need for approximately EUR 102 billion in climate investments by 2030, representing EUR 10 billion annually, creating significant opportunities for institutional participation in sustainable finance markets.

Policy Overview

This policy outlines the general principles governing the sustainable investment activities of the University, ensuring that the University's approach aligns with Ukrainian legal requirements and supports the objectives of sustainable development. The University has adopted an SDG Strategy that is compatible with the national SDG framework, promoting coherence between institutional and nationwide sustainability efforts. The University recognizes the importance of integrating environmental, social, and governance considerations



throughout its investment activities, aligning with its mission and the broader context of sustainable growth.

Scope of the Policy

This policy applies to the University's investment activities, including but not limited to endowment funds, financial portfolios, and any other funds under the University's management. The sustainable investment approach described herein is intended to guide investment decisions across all relevant areas, acknowledging that best practices and legal standards may continue to evolve.

NUBiP prioritizes investments supporting renewable energy infrastructure, sustainable agriculture technologies, clean water systems, circular economy initiatives, and educational technology advancing sustainability education. The university actively seeks opportunities in green bonds, sustainability-linked loans, and impact investments that generate measurable environmental and social benefits alongside financial returns. Priority sectors include agricultural biotechnology, environmental remediation, sustainable food systems, renewable energy research, and climate adaptation technologies.

Sustainable Investment Strategy

The University is committed to supporting sustainable development in accordance with the laws of Ukraine and SDG, understanding that responsible financial management can and should complement efforts to protect the environment, promote fairness in society, and ensure economic stability. Investment decisions take into account the potential for positive impact in these spheres, as well as the strategic objectives of the University and national policy priorities. The University gives due consideration to environmental stewardship, social responsibility, and good governance when assessing investment opportunities, striving to support activities that align with these aims within the scope permitted by law and University procedure. Conventional financial assessment remains primary, but the general preference is to support sectors and enterprises operating in conformity with recognized sustainability principles and applicable Ukrainian regulation.

Where feasible, the University avoids investments that may cause substantial harm to the environment or run counter to fundamental societal interests, recognizing both the letter and spirit of national legislation. The determination of suitability of investments is approached with flexibility, accounting for the complexities of financial, regulatory, and market conditions,



while maintaining an overarching commitment to prudent resource management.

Integration of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Considerations

In line with Ukrainian legislative requirements and international best practices, the University seeks, where practical, to incorporate ESG factors into its investment processes. This approach is intended to foster long-term value and support the welfare of both present and future generations. Where external asset managers or investment instruments are utilized, the University expects that reasonable attention will be paid to ESG issues, in a manner consistent with market norms and legal guidance at the time of investment.

Sustainable Development and Societal Impact

The University's investment policy aims, in a broad sense, to serve as a catalyst for positive change, encouraging progress toward a more sustainable, equitable, and prosperous future. Investments that contribute constructively to environmental conservation, education, public health, or similar societal priorities are viewed favorably, provided they are consistent with risk and return parameters deemed appropriate for the University, and with the framework of relevant legislation.

Transparency and Adaptability

The University values transparency and strives for openness in its management of investment resources, consistent with applicable requirements under Ukrainian law. The policy remains subject to regular review to ensure ongoing compliance with legal, economic, and social developments, as well as alignment with the University's objectives and the national context.

The University will not invest in companies or managed funds which have significant investments in companies whose business has a significant interest in:

- Tobacco - manufacture, distribution or retailing
- Weapons - manufacture of controversial weapons, including cluster bombs, landmines, nuclear weapons (systems of components) and companies that manufacture civilian firearms
- Coal, Tar Sands or Fracking

In line with investment vehicle norms, "significant" is defined as 10% or more of revenue from the above activities. Moreover, we will endeavour to exclude all such investments even below this threshold.



Social Impact Evaluation

Social criteria evaluation examines labor practices, community impact, human rights compliance, and contribution to social equity. The university requires evidence of fair wages, safe working conditions, diversity and inclusion practices, and positive community engagement. Particular attention focuses on investments supporting education access, healthcare accessibility, food security, and rural development consistent with NUBiP's agricultural focus.

Gender equality and inclusion represent priority social criteria, requiring investee companies to demonstrate commitment to women's economic empowerment, leadership development, and elimination of discriminatory practices. The university actively supports investments advancing United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 5 on gender equality through targeted financial allocation.

Policy Oversight

The overall responsibility for the implementation of this policy rests with the authorized bodies of the University. The University retains the discretion to interpret, adapt, and refine the policy as necessary to reflect changes in the legislative environment and in accordance with its strategic mission. Specific procedures, committees, or detailed implementation mechanisms are not established in this policy, and all such matters will be considered in accordance with existing University processes and the applicable legislative framework.

Staff Development and Capacity Building

The university invests in staff development programs ensuring investment professionals understand ESG principles, sustainability analysis techniques, and impact measurement methodologies. Regular training programs cover emerging sustainability topics, regulatory developments, and best practices from international institutional investors. Collaboration with sustainability-focused investment organizations provides ongoing professional development opportunities.

Review

The sustainable investment policy is intended as a living document and will be reviewed periodically to ensure its ongoing relevance and compliance with the dynamic landscape of Ukrainian law, regulatory requirements, and global standards of sustainable development.



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The document sets out the Sustainable Investment Policy of the National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine, requiring all University investments to align with sustainable development goals and Ukrainian law. The policy integrates environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors into investment decisions, with the dual aims of financial responsibility and positive social and ecological impact. Preference is given to investments that support sustainability, while those harmful to society or the environment are avoided. The policy calls for transparency, periodic review, and adaptability to evolving legal and institutional requirements, with oversight and updates managed by the University's authorized bodies.

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