

### **Sustainable Investment Policy**

# Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology, KFUEIT

Rahim Yar Khan, Punjab

### **Sustainable Investment Committee**

The Sustainable Investment Committee at Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology (KFUEIT) shall be responsible for the implementation, execution and all other matters pertaining to the Sustainable Investment Policy.

Name	Description
Dr. Muhammad Bilal Tahir	Convenor
Dr. Ghulam Mustafa Kamal	Member
Ms. Aqsa Khalid	Member
Dr. Yasir Niaz	Member
Dr. Riffat Javeria	Member/ Secretary

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https://rankings.kfueit.edu.pk/Initiatives\_and\_Projects

https://kfueit.edu.pk/sustainability

 $\underline{https://rankings.kfueit.edu.pk/Green\_Campus\_Features}$ 

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1. Introduction: KFUEIT recognizes the significance of sustainable investments in achieving long-term financial growth while aligning with ethical principles and social responsibility. This policy outlines the university's commitment to making responsible investment decisions that consider both financial returns and their impact on sustainability.

By adopting this Sustainable Investment Policy, KFUEIT aims to uphold its commitment to environmental stewardship, and ethical governance while seeking financial prosperity for the long-term benefit of the university and the broader community.

- **2. Guiding Principles:** KFUEIT's sustainable investment strategy will be guided by the following principles:
  - **a) Environmental Responsibility:** Investments should support environmentally sustainable practices, energy efficiency, and the transition to renewable energy sources.
  - **b) Social Impact:** Investments should promote social welfare, uphold human rights, and foster community development.
  - **c) Ethical Practices:** Investments should adhere to ethical business practices and strong corporate governance standards.
- **3. Scope:** This policy applies to all investments made by KFUEIT, including endowment funds, reserve funds, and other investment portfolios.
- **4. Sustainable Investment Objectives:** KFUEIT's sustainable investment objectives are as follows:
  - **a)** To achieve attractive financial returns while considering ethical, social and environmental factors in the investment decision-making process.
  - **b)** To align the investment portfolio with the university's sustainability goals and values.
  - c) To support companies and projects that demonstrate sustainable business practices and contribute to a low-carbon and inclusive economy.

- **5. Environmental and social Integration:** KFUEIT will integrate environmental and social considerations into its investment analysis and decision-making process. The university shall consider these factors alongside traditional financial metrics to assess the long-term viability and sustainability of potential investments.
- **6. Negative Screening:** KFUEIT will implement negative screening to exclude investments in industries or companies engaged in activities that are harmful to the environment, violate human rights, or exhibit poor corporate governance practices.
- **7. Positive Screening:** KFUEIT will actively seek investments in companies or projects that demonstrate strong performance and contribute positively to sustainable development goals.
- **8. Proxy Voting and Shareholder Engagement:** KFUEIT shall exercise its voting rights as a shareholder to advocate for sustainable business practices and better social performance among invested companies.
- **9. Transparency and Reporting:** KFUEIT will provide regular updates to stakeholders on its sustainable investment activities, including progress toward sustainability goals of its investment portfolio.
- **10. Collaboration and Partnerships:** KFUEIT will seek opportunities to collaborate with other institutions and organizations to share best practices and advance sustainable investment strategies.
- **11. Capacity Building and Training:** KFUEIT will provide training and educational opportunities for investment staff and stakeholders to enhance their understanding of sustainable investing.
- **12. Continuous Improvement:** KFUEIT will periodically review and update this sustainable investment policy to reflect evolving best practices and address emerging sustainability challenges.
- **13. Review of Investments:** KFUEIT will assess the performance of its investment portfolio and make adjustments as needed to ensure alignment with sustainable investment objectives.
- **14. Compliance and Monitoring:** KFUEIT will ensure compliance with all relevant laws, regulations, and fiduciary responsibilities in its sustainable investment practices.

#### Removal of Difficulties:

To remove difficulties in the Sustainable Investment Policy of Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology (KFUEIT) in Rahim Yar Khan, Pakistan, the university should take a multi-pronged approach. Firstly, actively engage all stakeholders, including faculty, students, and administrators, to gain support and create a shared understanding of the benefits of sustainable investments. Secondly, establish a dedicated Sustainable Investment Committee comprising experts to oversee policy execution and assess investment opportunities. Thirdly, align the policy with KFUEIT's broader vision and mission to secure stronger institutional commitment. Fourthly, set clear metrics and targets for sustainability goals to measure progress and ensure accountability. Lastly, invest in capacity building to empower staff in effectively implementing sustainable investment strategies. By implementing these measures, KFUEIT can pave the way for successful and impactful sustainable investments.