Sustainable Procurement Policy

Main points

- Procurement Policy of Azerbaijan University of Languages is a set of guidelines to make sure that purchases consider the environment, society, and the economy. This means AUL is trying to be more responsible with its spending by reducing any negative impacts in these areas. University is also committed to getting better at understanding these issues over time.
- This policy explains how AUL will buy things (goods, services, and works) from outside suppliers. It focuses on getting the most out of the university's budget by making sure they get the best value for their money. The policy details the important rules, steps involved, who's responsible for what, the systems used, and how they'll make sure everything is done correctly.
- This policy works in harmony with other university policies, like sustainable investment, ethical conduct, and anti-bribery ones.
- This policy aims at getting the most out of the university's spending with outside vendors. here's what we consider when buying things:
 - Upfront price isn't everything. We factor in all costs over time, including delivery, setup, running the product, fixing it, and eventually getting rid of it.
 - Does it actually meet our needs?
 - How socially responsible and sustainable is the product and the company that makes it?
 - How will it affect the environment?
 - Will the supplier be reliable and provide good service? and etc.

• In the last years, Azerbaijan University of Languages has invested significantly in sustainability efforts. Our university decrease paper usage to protect trees.



- In order to protect nature, we do not prefer plastic or anything can be harmful for our nature when we choose our gifts, gift raps and packages, instead of buying new furniture, we repair old ones.
- IDEA Public Union has launched a new project dedicated to the collection and recycling of paper and plastic waste in cooperation with the Ministry of Education of Azerbaijan and the Azersun company within the framework of the waste management program. Within the framework of the project, it is planned to place special sorting boxes for paper and plastic waste in higher education institutions.



In order to efficiently use water resources in Azerbaijan, and promote campaign called "Bir Damci" (One drop) is being continued. To inform the students at the Azerbaijan University of Languages, posters and promotional boards were put on the walls, and awareness rising conversations were held among the students. The campaign is organized jointly by the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, "Azersu" JSC, Azerbaijan Reclamation and Water Management JSC and IDEA Public Union.

Legal basis

- AUL's Sustainable Procurement Policy follows a set of rules. These rules come from various sources, including international agreements, Azerbaijani laws, and government decisions.
- Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan about Public Procurement

This Law defines the economic, legal and organizational bases and rules of public procurement in the Republic of Azerbaijan in accordance with clauses 10 and 15 of Part I of Article 94 of the Constitution of the Republic of Azerbaijan.