

Universities facing Climate Change and Sustainability

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Climate Change and Sustainability

- Definition and impacts
- Scepticism and the role of education
- 2030 Agenda and the SDGs

The Role and Impact of the University

- Barriers and drivers for sustainability
- Assessment and reporting tools
- Characteristics, focus and ambition of 14 Institutions in 7 countries, their stakeholders and its leaders



BRAZIL



University of São Paulo
University of Southern Santa Catarina

GERMANY



Freie Universität Berlin
Eberswalde University for Sustainable Development

INDIA



Pondicherry University
Indian Institute of Technology – Gandhinagar

JAPAN



Tohoku University
Ritsumeikan University

SOUTH AFRICA



Stellenbosch University
University of South Africa

UK



Nottingham Trent University
University of Edinburgh

USA



Arizona State University
Middlebury College

RECOMMENDATIONS

to address the climate crisis and promote sustainable development

Ensure a diverse system of higher education

Promote interdisciplinary research and teaching

Involve students fully as active participants

Ensure synergies between sustainability action and other global challenges

Protect public funding and diversification of sources of income

Build stronger ties with local communities

Establish specialist sustainability-focused institutions

Participate in green rankings

Create plans for carbon emission reductions

Ensure environmental literacy for all students

Provide opportunities for academic staff

Promote further research on universities and sustainability

