

2024 REPORT on the Paper and Plastics Reduction Program at IEU

<p>Organization of awareness campaigns to educate students, lecturers and staff about the environmental impact of paper and plastics consumption.</p>	<p>January 18, 2024 – workshop for students on the impact of plastics on the environment; May 20, 2024 – online lecture by the Glorious Ukraine Non-Government Organization for IEU students and staff on reducing the use of paper and the shift to digital forms; July 4, 2024 – cleaning water bodies from plastics. IEU students and lecturers; September 12, 2024 – digitalization at IEU – ways to reduce environmental impact and positive impact on sustainable development.</p>
<p>Regular working meetings and seminars to promote sustainable practices and alternatives to paper and plastics.</p>	<p>Administration meetings raised relevant issues: January 9, 2024, January 23, 2024, February 13, 2024, February 15, 2024, June 12, 2024, September 4, 2024, October 23, 2024, January 4, 2024.</p>
<p>Introduction of the digital platform for course materials, plans and tasks, reducing the need for printed handouts and textbooks.</p>	<p>Adoption of the digital platform for conducting classes and downloading teaching materials. Introduction of practice of electronic syllabuses and video syllabuses. The use of Google, Moodle, Zoom platforms. Development of the Smart University university-wide platform. The Trello task management program is used to distribute tasks and communication between the administration and departments of the university.</p>
<p>Encouraging the use of e-books and online resources for research and teaching purposes.</p>	<p>Introduced. The IEU electronic library is actively replenished. Access to electronic textbooks from other national and foreign libraries is obtained.</p>
<p>Promotion of digital note-taking apps and tools among students and lecturers.</p>	<p>Employees and students have been trained in digital literacy by Google. Apps used: Jamboard, Google Classroom, Teams, GoogleCalendar, Docs, GoogleKeep, etc.</p>
<p>Installation of clearly marked recycling bins for paper, plastics and other recyclable materials at the campus.</p>	<p>Installation of containers for separate waste collection at the university campuses.</p>

Training for the campus community in good recycling practices and the importance of separating recyclables.	Placement of informational materials in places of waste collection, regular information campaigns.
Cooperation with local processing plants to ensure that collected materials are properly processed.	It is planned to sign an agreement with waste recycling enterprises.
Imposing a ban or restriction on the use of disposable plastic items, such as drink straws, disposable cutlery, and plastic cups.	Plastic disposable dishes are not used at the university. Paper disposable dishes are used limitedly, but the use of regular dishes is constantly noted. The café uses only glass or ceramic dishes.
Encouraging the use of reusable water bottles and water refill stations throughout campus.	Water coolers are installed throughout the campus.
Cooperation with campus food suppliers to offer eco-friendly packaging options.	We do not use packaging. Food is served unpackaged in ordinary dishes.
Encouraging lecturers and staff to use digital communication methods such as e-mail and online platforms for notes, announcements and other administrative tasks.	Employees and students have been trained in digital literacy by Google. Apps used: Jamboard, Google Classroom, Teams, GoogleCalendar, Docs, GoogleKeep, etc.
Implementation of the dual-sided printing policy and promotion of the use of recycled paper for necessary printouts.	Printed documents are mostly reused (from the other side)
Installation of paper recycling bins in high-traffic areas, such as libraries and administration offices of Education and Research Institutes	Installed
Establishment of the student-led sustainability committee to encourage initiatives and raise awareness of the program.	Establishment of the committee led by the student parliament member responsible for sustainable development
Organization of contests and awards for individuals or departments that show exceptional efforts to reduce the use of paper and plastics.	It is planned to include a separate item in the incentive program. A methodology is being developed.
Regular events, such as environmental fairs and workshops, to engage the campus community in sustainable practices.	January 18, 2024 – workshop for students on the impact of plastics on the environment; May 20, 2024 – online lecture by the Glorious Ukraine Non-Government Organization for IEU students and staff on reducing the use of paper and the shift to digital forms; July 4, 2024 – cleaning water bodies from plastics. IEU students and lecturers;

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Regular monitoring of program progress, particularly the amount of saved paper and plastics, recycling rates, and community involvement.	In the development and implementation
Assessment of the efficiency of various initiatives and making necessary adjustments for continuous improvement	Indicators are taken into account for the annual discussion at the last administration meeting of the year.
Disseminating results and news of progress to the community to keep it motivated and encourage participation.	After the introduction of indicators and incentives, regular dissemination of achievements among the community is planned.