THE UNIVERSITY FOR SUSTAINABILITY

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Enabling member institutes to deliver against their mandated sustainable development goals, improve their financial resources and make measurable gains in research, development, innovation productivity, as well as educational opportunities, the University for Sustainability provides unrivalled benefits.

Membership:

- Improves your institute's revenue management and lessens its financial risk profile. It increases your institute's research infrastructure utilization by connecting researchers in the research ecosystem with you underutilized infrastructure. This creates opportunities for innovative R&D collaboration with lower investment risk profiles while it unlocks your institute's research productivity and increases its infrastructure utilization. Importantly, this allows member institutes to shift investment from capital to operational expenditures opening up entirely new opportunities as they access the University for Sustainability's research infrastructure-as-a-service to improve their cash flow and financial agility;

- Making today's scientific research more efficient, and tomorrow's revolutionary, an ecosystem-wide Research Cloud offers high performance research computing as a service to provide new ways of doing science and game-changing Research, Development and Innovation. To deliver against mandated sustainable development goals; facilitate joint academic programmes; accelerate collaborative sustainable development research and the deployment of scalable solutions, members benefit from a range of competitive cloud computing solutions and new frameworks for using state-of-the-art data science;

- Increases the international ranking, brand value, and enhances the global reputation and competitiveness of member institutes as it strengthens their sustainable development educational and research portfolio with high-impact thematic global collaborations and joint initiatives;

- Increases Research Funding opportunities by expanding access to international funding opportunities and increases revenue by leveraging network effects with respect to public and private sector partner's projects, programmes and contract opportunities. These include: (a) The University's Research Fund Development - a competitive grant programme designed to foster challenge-driven research and co-innovation among member universities and business partners. Members may be eligible for additional opportunities with partner funding agencies, and (b) The Sustainable Development Innovation Fund pools resources to scale up proven and / or innovative technologies, sustainable development solutions. The Fund will complement other financing vehicles in pursuit of scalable solutions for sustainable development and climate adaptation and mitigation;

- Prepares students with enhanced global educational offerings and high impact challenge-driven learning including: an Undergraduate Summer Programme, Joint Master's and Ph.D. programmes, a Doctoral Students Symposium, a Fellows Programme and exchange programmes; and the University for Sustainability Prize for Excellence in Sustainable Development Research;

- Sponsors an International Students-at-Risk Network that gives at-risk and conflict-displaced students a chance for post-graduate education abroad;

- Increases student referrals and the geographic footprint of your institute's applicant pool to improve and gain a higher percentage of top quality applicants while increasing the retention of top performing students;

- Attracts and retains top faculty through increased access to high quality global talent and enhanced research infrastructure while developing best-in-field offerings and reducing recruiting costs;

- Enables participation in high level conferences of our core partners such as UNESCO, UNIDO, UNEP, etc. promoting the collective views of its members and broadening the voice of those most impacted by climate change;

- Brings together thought leaders, researchers, and policy-makers to exchange ideas in Leadership Forums, advocate for and collaborate on sustainable development solutions;

- Acknowledging the disproportionate impact of climate change on the Global South and the central role of climate justice; the Global Sustainable Development Initiative promotes: (a) Science, Technology and Innovation-driven sustainable development and (b) South-South and South-North cooperation in the development and application of science, technology and innovation (STI). The Initiative promotes the sharing of experiences and best practices in harnessing STI for sustainable development for and in the Global South with the Sustainable Development Network (SDNet). Connecting South-South and South-North STI as well as traditional and indigenous knowledge, SDNet enables researchers to follow a research interest, connect with colleagues, and seek new collaborations. Researcher's profiles may be used to suggest funding opportunities, to connect members with other who have similar interests, and provide a global community of practice for sustainable development research and practice.

- Advances sustainable development by accelerating Intellectual Property deal-flow and member institute's revenue by bringing together global 'green' venture capital, angel finance, and entrepreneurial talent within an Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Investor Network to grow licensing and commercialization; and,

- Delivers breakthrough student performance with our Artificial Intelligence-augmented Personalised Learning Analytics System (PLAS). Informing smarter strategic choices, PLAS can facilitate the digitalization of your finances, shape data-driven programme assessment and increase tuition revenue while lessening your expense ratio.

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