

UNE CHARTE DÉVELOPPEMENT DURABLE POUR L'UPJV

UPJV SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT CHARTER



Well aware of the issues raised by the Grenelle environmental initiative, the UPJV, by referring to the text applicable to all universities, intends to implement a proactive policy in the following domains:

- Travel
- Energy
- Waste
- Procurement
- Teaching
- Research

1. Travel

In order to promote environmentally-friendly travel, the UPJV would like to further develop its relations and agreements with local structures (local town and city councils, departments, region).

This cooperation must take into account the particularity of our university; namely a multi-site campus spread over three departments (Aisne, Oise and Somme) and attended by students from both urban and rural areas.

The actions put in place will be adapted to the specific nature of each zone (for example, encouraging the use of public transport in urban areas and facilitating car-sharing in rural areas).

Within the framework of the present Charter, the UPJV is committed to implementing the following actions:

- Raising awareness of responsible travel among the university community
- Promoting environmentally-friendly means of transport (city bike rental service, Vélam subscriptions...)
- Installing closed bike parking facilities on each site
- Working with each metropolitan area and urban community to offer suitable public transport services for UPJV students and staff
- Maintaining membership of the Picardie car-sharing charter, a platform for members of staff set up by the Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Setting up a student car-sharing pilot platform which will be tested and then deployed to the whole university as soon as possible. This platform is currently being created at the IUT in Creil.

2. Energy

As a result of the current energy situation, characterised by the increasing scarcity of resources and rising costs, the UPJV is pursuing a proactive policy, particularly in terms of :

- Energy renovation of buildings, including:
 - o Innovative processes used in new buildings (Canadian wells, underground amphitheatres, terracotta ceilings etc...)
 - Construction of a technical platform on the university south campus
- Improvements carried out on energy-inefficient buildings as well as making energy-operators aware of their responsibilities through performance-based markets
- Installation of smart meters and other innovative devices to monitor and regulate energy flow (examples: monitoring and remote control of facilities, automatic lighting, maximum use of natural light, LED bulbs, etc...)
- Work in progress to reduce the number of printing stations, thereby reducing energy consumption
- Data processing and analysis of consumption anomalies in order to implement corrective measures
- Complete three-yearly carbon audit

3. Waste

As the UPJV is a multi-site campus, this policy will be implemented in accordance with local stakeholders, taking into account the specific strategy of each region.

Irrespective of these strategies, the UPJV commits to a waste management policy on all sites:

- Recycling on all sites
- Recycling information policy
- Waste reduction :
 - Encourage digitisation and the rationalisation of paper printing
 - Limit the use of disposable objects (example : replace disposable cups with a cup or a reusable eco-cup when using hot drink dispensers)
- Work with university catering partners, mainly the CROUS Amiens, to promote sustainable waste management.

4. Procurement

The University must set an example when it comes to purchasing, while also promoting sustainable and responsible behaviour among members of the university community.

Efforts will be made in the following areas:

- Favour low-carbon and recyclable office supplies
- Move towards a fleet of university vehicles with low CO2 emissions
- Encourage the UPJV (in compliance with the French Public Procurement Code) and the students to buy local
- Encourage the use of seasonal organic produce in the university restaurants
- Encourage the purchase of organic or « Eco-label » cleaning products

5. Teaching

The UPJV currently offers a number of courses in sustainable development, including several Masters and an optional course available to all students at the university.

As a public higher education institution, the UPJV must ensure that all students are made aware of the many issues surrounding sustainable development.

Therefore, the UPJV intends to incorporate a sustainable development component into all of the courses on offer at the university.

6. Research

The UPJV is already strongly committed to sustainable development in the field of research:

- Science and technology: research into innovative materials, particularly from waste, new methods of energy production and storage and, of course, fundamental questions in ecology.
- Health: research into the influence of external factors on health (endocrine disruptors, leukemia incidence in urban and rural areas).
- Social sciences: analysis of public policy action on issues relating to sustainable development and accompanying change.

This policy must be pursued by providing greater incentives for multidisciplinary sustainable development research projects in which social sciences play a key role.

These projects must be supported by partnerships (particularly with INERIS for subjects concerning risk management) and operators in the sector (biodiversity foundation, ADEME...)

As sustainable development concerns everyone, the students and staff of the University of Picardie Jules Verne must be made aware of it by the necessary means. This information will allow them to make informed decisions and commit to a sustainable university as part of a participative approach.

The « UZeroD » (University Zero Waste) project aims to improve sustainability in the university through increased recycling. This project was the winner of the UPJV Foundation's first call for projects. The UPJV undertakes to support any such initiative.

The university community's commitment to sustainable development would not be complete without social cohesion, one of the essential axes of sustainable development. The UPJV will therefore systematically include these essential social aspects when further developing its sustainable university policy.