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Sustainability policy

Luleå University of Technology shall be a forerunner in promoting a social, economic and environmentally sustainable development of society. With our innovative education and ground-breaking research results, we shall create global societal benefits. This means that sustainable development shall be a natural and integral part of our education, our research and collaboration with the surrounding society as well as in our own organisation.

This means for the University that:

- Our students shall be given the skills necessary for contributing to a sustainable societal development and be encouraged to work for a sustainable development in their future professional activities.
- Our research shall contribute to long-term solutions for the challenges of today and tomorrow through the development of innovative technology and methods.
- We shall collaborate with the surrounding society to disseminate knowledge and our innovations in order to contribute to the development of a sustainable society.
- Our study and working environments as well as working conditions shall be sound and promote a sustainable working life.
- We shall be an equal study- or workplace where diversity is promoted.
- Our purchases shall promote innovations and alternative solutions. They will also be environmentally responsible and contribute to a socially sustainable society.
- We shall wisely use the resources that are allocated to us, and will, through management and follow-up, ensure that the right efforts are prioritised.
- Through efficient use of premises, we shall reduce the need of new constructions and remodeling of buildings and consequently reduce operation and maintenance.
- We shall work actively to minimise our own environmental and climate impacts, by, for example, reducing emissions to air and water and decreasing the quantities of waste.

- We shall continuously work to improve and evaluate our internal sustainable performance, where laws and other requirements set the minimum standards.