

SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT AND PROCUREMENT POLICY

The goals and objectives of the sustainable development of the non-profit joint-stock company "Karaganda Medical University" have been approved in the Development Program for the period 2024-2028. This program was approved by the Government of Kazakhstan through Decree No. 1105 on December 11th, 2023 (the document outlines task 4, which focuses on ensuring the sustainable development and social orientation of the university's activities at regional, national, and international levels), additionally, the Corporate Governance Code for the "KMU" non-profit joint stock company, approved by the Ministry of Health of Kazakhstan in November 2019 (outlines the principle of sustainable development in paragraph 19). This code serves as a guide for the implementation of policies that reflect the end goals and mechanisms for achieving them. In order to achieve sustainable development, Karaganda Medical University is focusing on the creation and modernization of necessary infrastructure, improvement of human resources, expansion of partnerships, and creation of a favorable investment climate. The implementation of the tasks will be based on the use of the best available technologies, in accordance with the standards set by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. We will also focus on the development of green technologies and alternative energy sources, through the attraction of both internal and external investment.

The development program of the non-profit joint stock company "KMU" aims to transform it into a self-sustaining, competitive, and effective educational organization that contributes to the growth of the country's economy and investment potential. The principles and approaches outlined in the Sustainable Investment and Procurement Policy aim to increase economic activity and income by implementing an effective investment strategy, which includes creating new jobs through investment projects. This policy is aimed at creating a comprehensive investment strategy that is aligned with other initiatives that contribute to the development of the university's investment potential and its aspiration to become one of the leading institutions in Kazakhstan in achieving sustainable development goals.

Stimulating investment in green projects will be done with the aim of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals set out in the UN General Assembly's "Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". This includes areas such as "Quality Education", "Gender Equality", "Clean Water and Sanitation", "Affordable and Clean Energy", "Decent Work and Economic Growth", as well as "Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure". At the same time, the university's direct income and the attraction of private investment will both be used.

As part of the implementation of the Policy, the main areas of investment will be the following:

- Support for innovation and technological development, including through partnerships with public health organizations, the medical industry, and the private sector in the field of medical services;
- The sustainable development of our campus, the creation of environmentally friendly infrastructure, and ensuring the accessibility and safety of all educational and administrative buildings for students, teachers, and staff are all important goals;
- Creating new jobs, stimulating economic growth for the university, increasing labor productivity, and ensuring decent salaries for staff, all in accordance with the principles of sustainable development..

The main indicators of success for achieving the policy goals will be the level of satisfaction among students, teachers, and society with the activities of the university, the number of publications about the successful implementation of projects related to sustainable development, an increase in the proportion of budget funds allocated to upgrading and improving existing infrastructure in line with the Sustainable Development Goals, and the number of speeches given by employees and students of the "KMU" society on relevant issues of sustainable development policy through media and social media.