UZBEKISTAN STATE WORLD LANGUAGES UNIVERSITY

Cross-Sector Dialogue on the Sustainable Development Goals

SDG 17 Partnerships for the Goals | Reporting year 2025

Uzbekistan State World Languages University (UzSWLU) initiates and takes part in dialogue on the Sustainable Development Goals that brings together government bodies, legislators, non-governmental organizations, the academic community, employers and students. Under the **UzSWLU Policy on SDG Partnerships and Policy Engagement** (approved January 2025), the University organizes conferences, forums and roundtables on SDG themes each year with the participation of government and civil society, and shares their conclusions with participating public bodies. In 2025 the University hosted six such events and represented itself at national and international SDG dialogues organized by others.

Dialogue initiated and hosted by UzSWLU

Second Uzbekistan–China Education Forum (1–3 November 2025)

UzSWLU hosted the Second Uzbekistan–China Education Forum on its campus under the theme "Training a New Generation of Specialists: Uzbekistan–China Cooperation toward Sustainable Development through Education, Science and Innovation." The forum was held under a program approved at government level and implemented with the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation of Uzbekistan. About 500 participants from the two countries took part: officials of ministries and agencies, including a delegation led by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China, heads of more than 160 Uzbek and more than 140 Chinese higher and vocational education institutions, and representatives of vocational centers and major employers.

The forum worked in three parallel tracks: higher education and science; professional education; and innovation and technology transfer. Sessions addressed training specialists in the age of artificial intelligence, research cooperation, the integration of education and industry, vocational and technical education, joint innovation projects and technology parks, and mechanisms for technology transfer. The higher education and science session was opened by the UzSWLU Rector and the Secretary General of the China Education Association for International Exchange, and was chaired by the UzSWLU Vice-Rector for International Relations. More than 20 cooperation memoranda and agreements were signed on the first day. As a symbol of shared commitment to environmental sustainability, the two delegations planted trees on the University grounds.





Second Uzbekistan–China Education Forum at UzSWLU, 2–3 November 2025

Modern Environmental Policy: From National Experience to Global Solutions (30–31 May 2025)

The Department of Political Sciences organized an international scientific and practical conference that brought together ministry representatives, the University of World Economy and Diplomacy, the SCO Public Diplomacy Center, the International Innovation Center for the Aral Sea Region, researchers from York University (Canada), RISEBA University (Latvia) and Osh State University (Kyrgyzstan), participants from Kazakhstan and India, and students of international relations, political science and sociology. The conference addressed national and international experience in tackling environmental problems, sustainable development principles and the environmental priorities of the Uzbekistan–2030 Strategy in four sections: international cooperation in ecology; environmental policy and economic relations; social relevance and environmental literacy; and the legal foundations of environmental policy. It closed with proposals on reducing

environmental risks, strengthening international cooperation, raising environmental literacy and increasing youth participation in environmental protection.





Conference "Modern Environmental Policy: From National Experience to Global Solutions," 30–31 May 2025

Global Environmental Problems, Desertification and Food Security (24 May 2025)

UzSWLU and the international journal Science and Innovation held an international scientific and practical conference opened by the UzSWLU Rector. Participants included the Chairman of the Ecological Party of Uzbekistan, the head of the party's faction, a Deputy of the Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majlis who serves on its Committee on Democratic Institutions and Civil Society Development, and scholars of the National University of Uzbekistan. Four sections covered ecology and environmental protection (SDG 13, SDG 15), food security and agriculture (SDG 2), green resources and green transformation, and the role of foreign languages in studying global environmental problems.

Modern Trends in the Development of Civil Society in Uzbekistan (16 October 2025)

The Department of Political Sciences organized a national scientific and practical conference opened by the UzSWLU Rector. Representatives of non-governmental non-profit organizations, deputies, scholars and experts discussed the current state, challenges and prospects of civil society in Uzbekistan, contributing to SDG 16 (strong institutions) and SDG 17 (partnerships). The conference worked in four sections: key criteria for a strong civil society; increasing civic and public engagement, with international experience; the socio-economic and legal foundations of a strong civil society; and the role of the third sector in social modernization, the multiparty system and social partnership.





National conference "Modern Trends in the Development of Civil Society in Uzbekistan," 16 October 2025

The Role of Women in Raising Intellectual Potential in New Uzbekistan (23 May 2025)

The Department of the History of Uzbekistan and the University's Women's Advisory Council held a national scientific and practical conference on women's leadership in science and society (SDG 5). Speakers included scholars of the Tashkent State Technical University, a member of the Writers' Union of Uzbekistan, and the Chair of the Tashkent City Council of the "Olima" Association of Women Scientists of Uzbekistan. One of the four sections was dedicated to women's leadership in research for a sustainable future, and another to the work of civil society institutions in ensuring family well-being.




National conference on the role of women in New Uzbekistan, 23 May 2025

Translation and Foreign Language Teaching in the Era of Globalization and Sustainable Development (18 December 2025)

The Department of Practical English Translation of the Faculty of Translation organized an international scientific and practical conference opened by the UzSWLU Rector. Participants included scholars from universities in Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan, international guests from Egypt, India and the Philippines, and a member of the Writers' Union of Uzbekistan. The conference examined how translation and language teaching support international communication on global and sustainable development issues.





International conference on translation in the era of globalization and sustainable development, 18 December 2025

Participation in SDG dialogue organized by others

First Malaysia–Uzbekistan Higher Education Forum (4 February 2025)

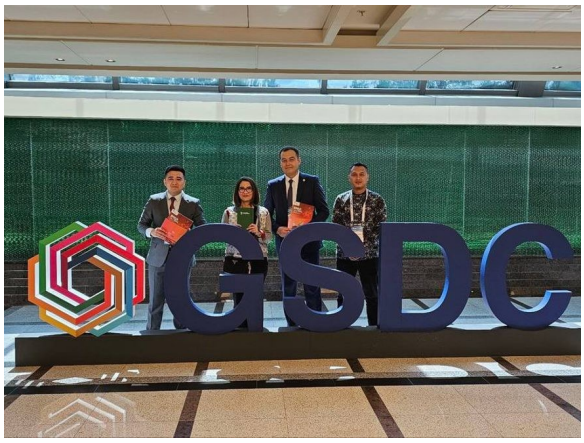
A UzSWLU delegation led by the Rector took part in the First Malaysia–Uzbekistan Higher Education Forum and Exhibition at Sultan Idris Education University, held during the state visit of the President of Uzbekistan to Malaysia. The forum, organized by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation of Uzbekistan and the Ministry of Higher Education of Malaysia, was dedicated to "Opportunities and Initiatives for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals in Higher Education." About 130 university leaders from Uzbekistan and about 200 from Malaysia took part, together with the ministers of both countries and the head of the Higher Education Project Office of the Presidential Administration of Uzbekistan. UzSWLU signed a cooperation agreement with Sultan Idris Education University during the forum.




UzSWLU at the First Malaysia–Uzbekistan Higher Education Forum, February 2025

THE Global Sustainable Development Congress (Istanbul, 16–19 June 2025)

UzSWLU representatives, including the Head of the International Rankings Department, took part in the Global Sustainable Development Congress organized by Times Higher Education. The congress gathered universities, ministries, non-governmental and international organizations from more than 100 countries, including the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation of Uzbekistan. Panel sessions, seminars and dialogues addressed the role of education in sustainable development, climate change, equality and inclusion. The UzSWLU delegation held partnership meetings with universities from Asia and Europe on joint research and academic exchange.





UzSWLU at the THE Global Sustainable Development Congress, Istanbul, June 2025

Dialogue convened by civil society and political organizations

- 12 December 2025: faculty of the Department of Ecology and Green Resources contributed to the Olam discussion club "Rainwater: Problems and Solutions," convened by the Ecological Party of Uzbekistan, which ended with specific proposals on the effective use of rainwater.
- September 2025: students of the English Language Faculty 3 took part in the roundtable "Girls and Environmental Leadership: We Start the Time of Change," organized by the Ecological Party of Uzbekistan, which discussed the role of young women in environmental action and the work of volunteer groups.
- 28 November 2025: the Department of Ecology and Green Resources held an open dialogue with Academician Boriy Alikhanov, Deputy of the Legislative Chamber and Chairman of the Ecological Movement of Uzbekistan, on air protection and constitutional environmental rights, with the participation of eco-active students.

Summary of cross-sector dialogue in 2025

Event	UzSWLU role	Sectors involved
Second Uzbekistan–China Education Forum, 1–3 Nov	Host and co-organizer	Ministries of both countries, 300+ education institutions, vocational centers, employers

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Modern Environmental Policy, 30–31 May	Organizer	Ministries, think tanks, international research centers, participants from 6 countries, students
Global Environmental Problems, Desertification and Food Security, 24 May	Co-organizer	Legislators, Ecological Party, international journal, universities
Modern Trends in the Development of Civil Society, 16 Oct	Organizer	NGOs, deputies, scholars, experts
Role of Women in New Uzbekistan, 23 May	Organizer	Association of Women Scientists "Olima," Writers' Union, universities
Translation in the Era of Sustainable Development, 18 Dec	Organizer	Universities of Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan, guests from 3 countries, Writers' Union
Malaysia–Uzbekistan Higher Education Forum, 4 Feb	Participant	Ministries of both countries, Presidential Administration, about 330 university leaders
THE Global Sustainable Development Congress, 16–19 Jun	Participant	Universities, ministries, NGOs and international organizations from 100+ countries

Supporting evidence

- UzSWLU Policy on SDG Partnerships and Policy Engagement: https://uzswlu.uz/backend/web/uploads/pagepdf/icon/17922464826020.pdf
- Second Uzbekistan–China Education Forum: https://t.me/UzSWLU/44609
- Forum breakout sessions: https://t.me/UzSWLU/44678
- Modern Environmental Policy conference: https://uzswlu.uz/en/news/international-scientific-practical-conference-on-modern-environmental-policy-held-at-uzswlu-1748861103
- Conference on environmental problems, desertification and food security: https://t.me/UzSWLU/35277
- Civil society conference: https://uzswlu.uz/en/news/republican-scientific-and-practical-conference-on-the-development-of-civil-society-held-at-uzswlu-1760773049
- Conference on the role of women: https://t.me/UzSWLU/35192
- Conference on translation and sustainable development: https://t.me/UzSWLU/48637
- Malaysia–Uzbekistan Higher Education Forum: https://t.me/UzSWLU/29412
- THE Global Sustainable Development Congress: https://uzswlu.uz/en/news/uzbekistan-state-world-languages-university-participates-in-the-global-sustainable-development-congress
- Rainwater discussion club: https://uzswlu.uz/en/news/ecologists-of-uswlu-at-the-olam-debate-club-1765768288