

# **Sustainable Investment Policy**

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### Commitment

The primary goal of this policy is to outline Egyptian Chinese University's commitment to ensuring finances are invested appropriately. The policy is based on international best practices and suggestions from ECU boards, stakeholders, and accreditation bodies. This strategy also ensures that ECU maximizes its investment returns while maintaining our commitment to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## **Sustainable Investment Strategy**

#### **Investment Exclusions**

We follow criteria to disqualify enterprises that may harm society or the environment, and invest in businesses with responsible culture, practices, and governance.

#### Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Integration

When making investments, the institution considers the following:

- Incorporate ESG factors into investment analysis and decision-making processes.
- Track and engage on social and environmental issues through regular stewardship.
- Invest in sustainable university building upgrades with regulations and dedicated funds to reduce CO2 emissions.
- Expanding hospitals and medical activities to meet regional needs and address health challenges.
- Encouraging and financing research for sustainable development.
- Coordinating with socially responsible investing companies.

#### **Impact Investing**

Egyptian Chinese University wants to improve the ESG alignment of its investments so that they have a beneficial impact while still creating financial returns. The University will invest in enterprises and sectors that clearly aim to give an environmental and social return in addition to a financial return, and will diversify its investments across eight sustainability themes:



- 1) Clean energy,
- 2) Sustainable Transport,
- 3) Food & Agriculture,
- 4) Waste & Materials,
- 5) Ecosystem Services,
- 6) Education,
- 7) Health,
- 8) Financial Inclusion.

### Implementation:

University Sustainable Investment Committee.