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SYMPOSIUM ON SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING IN HIGHER EDUCATION

THE ROLE OF SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING IN DOCUMENTING, MEASURING AND FOSTERING SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES AT HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

**University of Edinburgh, Scotland, United
Kingdom
14th-15th March 2019**





Venue:

The event will be held at the University of Edinburgh, whose full address is:

John McIntyre Conference Centre
The University of Edinburgh
Pollock Halls
18 Holyrood Park Rd
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/// SCHEDULE

/// THURSDAY 14 MARCH 2019

15:00 – 16:00	Arrival and Registration
16:00 – 18:00	Presentations and discussions (Session A)
18:00 – 19:00	Reception

/// FRIDAY 15 MARCH 2019

09:15 – 11:00	Presentations and discussions (Session B)
11:00 – 11:30	Break
11:30 – 13:00	Presentations and discussions (Session C)
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:15	Presentations and discussions (Session D)
15:15 – 15:30	Sum up and close of the event



Thursday 14th March 2019 – Session A

Chairperson: Walter Leal

15:45-16:00- Welcome and aims of the Symposium (David Gorman and Walter Leal)

16:00–16:15 – Applying Business Practices to the University Sector: The Use of Information and Communications Technology in Sustainability Reporting. Ralf Isenmann, Hanh Doan, Remmer Sassen, Wilhelm Büchner University of Applied Sciences Darmstadt and University of Hamburg, Germany

16:15–16:30 – Participating Processes for Sustainability Reporting of Universities in the German HOCH-N-Network. André Niemann, Elisa Gansel, Coco Klußmann, Remmer Sassen, University of Duisburg-Essen and University of Hamburg, Germany

16:30–16:45 – Workshop on Best Practice in the Preparation of Sustainability Reports. André Niemann, Elisa Gansel, Coco Klußmann, Remmer Sassen, University of Duisburg-Essen and University of Hamburg, Germany

16:45–17:00 – Sustainability Reporting in Higher Education Institutions: What, Why, and How. Naif Alghamdi, King Saud University, Saudi Arabia

17:00–17:15 – Sustainability goals, mental health and violence: convergent dialogues in research and higher education. Sonia Regina da Cal Seixas, João Luiz de Moraes Hoefel, State University of Campinas, UNICAMP, Brazil

17:15–17:30 – Sustainability Reporting through UN Global Compact at Unisa: Mainstreaming GRI Sustainability Standards and the SDGs. Godwell Nhamo, University of South Africa, South Africa

17:30–17:45 – Students and teachers facing the curricular change for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Sustainability literacy and teaching methodologies. Alfonso Coronado-Marín, National Distance Education University (UNED), Spain

17:45–18:00 – Discussion

18:00- 19:00- Reception and informal talks

19:00 – End of day 1



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Friday 15th March 2019 – Session B

Chairperson: Peter Rands

09:15–09:30 – Comfortable environment: formation of students-architects` professional consciousness. Olga Melnikova, Saint Petersburg State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering, Russia

09:30–09:45 – Creating the Institutional Context to Embed and Report on Sustainability Literacy Across the Curricula: A Case Study from the College of Charleston, Charleston, SC. Todd LeVasseur, Sustainability Literacy Institute, USA

09:45–10:00 – “Reaching for the STARS”: a collaborative approach to transparent sustainability reporting in Higher Education, the experience of a European University in achieving STARS Gold. Maria Kirrane, Chris Pelton, University College Cork and Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, Ireland and USA

10:00–10:15 – Academic Institutions Mobility in the ASEAN Region through Sharing of Best Practices in Sustainable Development. Lilito D. Gavina, Don Mariano Marcos Memorial State University/La Union, Philippines

10:15–10:30 – Implementing Sustainable Development through environmental camps: The case of Skyros Project. Konstantinos Tsamopoulos and Georgios Maripas-Polymeris, University of the Aegean, Greece

10:30–10:45 – Sustainability Reporting in the Australian University Sector: an institutional analysis. Gavin Melles, Swinburne University, Australia

10:45–11:00 – Discussion

11:00–11:30- Break

Friday 15th March 2019 – Session C

Chairperson: Ralf Isenmann

11:30–11:45 – Measuring the Use of Sustainable Modes of Transport at a University. Jan Silberer, University of Applied Sciences Stuttgart, Germany

11:45–12:00 – Sustainability reporting in the UK higher education sector: the influence of national regulatory frameworks. Katerina Kosta, Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom

12:00–12:15 – Divergent Conceptualizations of Sustainability- Considerations for Instrument Design. Deborah "Debbie" C. Sturm, James Madison University, USA

12:15–12:30 – Welcoming the Wicked in Higher Education: The importance of asking ‘what’ and ‘why’ in sustainability reporting. Peter Rands, Canterbury Christ Church University, United Kingdom



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12:30–12:45 – Sustainability Reporting in Higher Education - What is and what should be reported? Ivan Nikitin, University of Applied Sciences HTW Chur, Switzerland

12:45–13:00 – Discussion

13:00-14:00- Lunch

Friday 15th March 2019 – Session D

Chairperson: Walter Leal

14:00–14:15 – Exploring preparation and dissemination of sustainability reporting in Higher Education Institutions: the case of University of Milano-Bicocca
Federica Doni, University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy

14:15–14:30 – Assessing Sustainability Science Education: Strengths, Weaknesses and Future Direction. Doreen Allasiw, The University of Tokyo, Japan

14:30–14:45 – Revising and Adapting Environmental Sustainability Legislation to Higher Institutions; a case for Turkey. Pinar Gokcin Ozuyar, Istinye University, Turkey

14:45–15:00 – Assessing Transformations to Energy Sustainability at Universities – Focus Group.
Amanda Lange Salvia, University of Passo Fundo, Brazil

15:00–15:15 – Discussion

15:15:15;30- Information on follow-up and the publication

15:30- End of the Symposium



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