

# Sustainability at Higher Education Institutions: develop – network – report

## HOCH<sup>N</sup>: What we do



Within HOCH<sup>N</sup> eleven German Higher Education Institutions (HEI) collaborate in order to multiply, refine and expand expert knowledge and process skills for sustainable development.

All partners are dedicated to create a strong inter- and transdisciplinary network on research as well as applied topics of sustainability.

The HOCH<sup>N</sup> network is an open innovation platform for all who are interested in participating.

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## HOCH<sup>N</sup>: Our shared goals

1. Establish a program-based **network** to exchange experience, knowledge and reflections on topics important to sustainability at HEI
2. Develop a **joint understanding** of sustainability and transformational process
3. Promote sustainable development at HEI by **identifying fields of actions and new methods** that help to promote sustainability at HEI
4. Create and implement useful **guidelines** within these fields of action to foster sustainability-related behavior and organizational development



## HOCH<sup>N</sup>: Fields of action



The HOCH<sup>N</sup> collaboration is structured along the following fields of action, researched by specific collaboration partners:

- **Governance** (Freie Universität Berlin, Universität Vechta)
- **Sustainability Reporting** (Universität Hamburg, Freie Universität Berlin, Universität Duisburg-Essen)
- **Teaching** (Universität Bremen, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen)
- **Research** (Leuphana Universität Lüneburg, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)
- **Operations** (Technische Universität Dresden, Hochschule Zittau/Görlitz)
- **Transfer** (Hochschule für nachhaltige Entwicklung Eberswalde)

Findings and conclusions from research and applied perspectives are compiled and integrated at joint network meetings (so called “PraFo-sessions”).

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