

ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY OF LEBANON



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INTRODUCTION

The Islamic University of Lebanon (IUL) recognizes the critical role that sustainable purchasing practices play in promoting environmental responsibility, social welfare, and economic development. As an institution committed to Islamic values and the betterment of society, IUL places great importance on making ethical and environmentally-conscious purchasing decisions. This policy outlines our commitment to responsible procurement, considering the impact of our purchases on the local community, the region, and the global environment.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Sustainability and Environmental Impact: IUL will prioritize the procurement of goods and services that have a minimal environmental impact. We will seek products that are energy-efficient, recyclable, and made from renewable materials whenever feasible. Preference will be given to suppliers with sustainable practices and environmental certifications.

- **Local and Regional Sourcing:** We recognize the importance of supporting local and regional businesses to stimulate economic growth and foster community development. Whenever possible, IUL will prioritize purchasing goods and services from suppliers within Lebanon and the surrounding region.
- **Social Responsibility:** IUL will promote fair labor practices and human rights by working with suppliers who adhere to ethical labor standards, ensure safe working conditions, and respect the rights of their employees.
- **Innovation and Research:** We will actively explore and adopt innovative products and technologies that contribute to sustainability and align with our commitment to addressing climate change.
- **Waste Reduction and Recycling:** IUL will strive to minimize waste generation through responsible purchasing and will encourage recycling practices within the university community.
- **Transparency and Accountability:** We will maintain transparency in our purchasing practices, ensuring accountability in the decision-making process and fostering a culture of integrity and ethical conduct.

IMPLEMENTATION AND COLLABORATION

To successfully implement this policy, IUL will establish a dedicated procurement committee responsible for evaluating suppliers, ensuring compliance with sustainability criteria, and reviewing purchasing decisions. Additionally, collaboration with students, faculty, staff, and relevant stakeholders will be encouraged to gather insights and perspectives to continuously improve our purchasing practices.

Through this purchasing policy, IUL is committed to leveraging its procurement power to promote sustainability, support local development, and contribute to a more resilient and environmentally-conscious community, region, and world. By adopting responsible purchasing practices, we can collectively make a positive impact on society and the environment, in line with our Islamic principles and the global goals for sustainability and climate action.