



Skilled professionals, responsible organizations

Welcome to Professional's Handprint[™], the online learning platform of SYKL Environmental College.

A professional's handprint means responsibility, quality and taking pride ir one's work. It is the positive impact that a skilled professional leaves in this

With the help of the online courses of Professional's Handprint'", employees professionals and students can easily adopt the relevant sustainability and responsibility issues of their field. This way the organization can ensure the knowhow of their employees in the ever-changing world.

Explore courses



The learning platform https://kadenjalki.fi/en/home/ is meant for learning institutions and companies alike.

Integration of SDGs in

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- ☐ SDGs in research
- \square SDGs in campus operations
- ☐ SDGs in student engagement activities
- ☐ SDGs into community activities
- SDGs at a whole-institution level

Focus on

- ☐ Goal 1 No poverty
- ☐ Goal 2 Zero hunger
- ☐ Goal 3 Good health and wellbeing
- ☐ Goal 5 Gender equality
- ☐ Goal 6 Clean water and sanitation

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☐ Goal / - Affordable and clean energy
☐ Goal 8 - Decent work and economic growth
☐ Goal 9 - Industry, innovation and infrastructure
☐ Goal 10 - Reduced inequalities
☐ Goal 11 - Sustainable cities and communities
$\hfill\Box$ Goal 12 - Responsible consumption and production
☐ Goal 13 - Climate action
☐ Goal 14 - Life below water
☐ Goal 15 - Life on land
\square Goal 16 - Peace, justice and strong institutions
☐ Goal 17 - Partnerships for the goals

Summary: An online learning platform Professional's Handprint has been developed to support both teachers, students as well as rest of the staff and other stakeholders. The platform includes a free online course Introduction to Sustainable Development, which has been made available for all institutions. At Sykli, it has been decided that every member of the staff completes the course in order to have a clear idea on SDGs and sustainable development. Complete it yourself and ask for more information: https://kadenjalki.fi/en/home/

Outline the 3 key benefits of integrating this theme:

- 1. Staff members have a better understanding of sustainable development
- 2. SDGs become a more stable part of the operations of the institution
- 3. Other organisations may benefit from our work

Outline the barriers or challenges encountered in integrating this theme and how you overcame these:

- 1. Resources are difficult to find to complete such an intensive online platform. Solution: Integration of development work into development project and efficient use of funds.
- 2. The staff have a limited amount of time to complete a course. Solution: 10 learning days a year per staff member to develop their skills.
- 3. Communication about the online resource. Solution: Planning campaigns, dissemination in various forums.

Please outline your conclusions and recommendations to others (Max 200 words):

Training the staff at a learning institution is very important in order to integrate sustainability and SDGs into teaching and other operations of the organisation. We at Sykli

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have established this by 1) allowing each staff member 10 training days per year to use for their own development and 2) developing an online platform for teachers, other staff members, students and companies to learn about sustainability in their field and to use teaching materials and online courses in their own classes. Some courses are free of charge, others are included in the license fee obtainable from Sykli (kadenjalki@sykli.fi).

Clearly staff do not always have the time or the resources to gain more knowledge on issues outside their immediate expertise, but easy to use online courses and flexible schedules allow learning in small steps. Once completed, a diploma can be downloaded, and an organisation can follow up the amount of staff members who have completed the course(s). Sykli has included the Introduction to Sustainable Development -course in their orientation phase for new employees, as well.