



### **Integration of SDGs in**

- Institutional governance/strategic level
- SDGs in research
- SDGs in campus operations
- SDGs in curriculum development
- 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 4 - Quality education
- Goal 5 - Gender equality
- Goal 6 - Clean water and sanitation
- Goal 7 - Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 8 - Decent work and economic growth
- Goal 9 - Industry, innovation and infrastructure
- Goal 10 - Reduced inequalities

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- Goal 11 - Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12 - Responsible consumption and production
- Goal 13 - Climate action
- Goal 14 - Life below water
- Goal 15 - Life on land
- Goal 16 - Peace, justice and strong institutions
- Goal 17 - Partnerships for the goals

**Summary:** *Sykli has worked hard to achieve certification for its work in sustainability in both organisational level and as a learning institution. In 2022, Sykli was awarded the Finnish national Sustainable Development Certification of Educational Establishments. The certification includes a 3 year development plan of how to improve sustainable approaches and transformative pedagogical methods in education.*

*Sykli also renewed its environmental management system certificate EcoCompass for another three years (initially being awarded the certificate in 2019).*

### ***Outline the 3 key benefits of integrating this theme:***

- 1. More systematic approach to organisational development in sustainability.*
- 2. Inclusion of staff, students and other stakeholders in the evaluation work.*
- 3. Measurable and tangible goals and objectives for planning and operations.*

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

- 1. How to include everyone in the evaluation process? By organising workshops, staff days and other events around the theme. Sykli has started an annual Futures Forum to include stakeholders' opinions on several topics.*
- 2. Lack of resources: time and effort used for updating the plans and implementing them. Solution: to include sustainability as a part of everyone's work and part of quality processes.*

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

*OKKA and EcoCompass work has been conducted in Sykli by including every staff member and other stakeholders. This has helped us to learn from our strengths and to include different aspects of sustainability into everyday operations as well as planning annual strategies. There are various environmental and other certification systems available globally and each organisation should utilise these systems as a tool to incorporate sustainability as a core part of their operations, not an additional or voluntary part. Sustainability reporting*

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*should be part of annual reporting, not something extra, just like sustainability in everyday operations should be as important as economical aspects.*