



Policy Name:	Divestment Policy		
Code:	BAU 027	Published date	2023
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Accreditation:	Quality Assurance and Continual Improvement Council (QACIC)		

Responsibilities:

Implementation:	All BAU's Academic Colleges, Administrative Units, and Scientific Centers
Revision and improvement:	Development and Quality Assurance Center.

Policy (Arabic):

تلتزم جامعة البلقاء التطبيقية بتعزيز الاستدامة البيئية والحد من التغيرات المناخية وتقليل الانبعاثات الكربونية من خلال توجيه البحث العلمي التطبيقي نحو الوصول الى حلول مبتكرة في ادارة الاستثمارات ذات الانبعاثات الكربونية العالية، وتعزيز الشراكات المحلية والاقليمية والدولية الهادفة لدعم الشركات والمؤسسات في تحولها نحو استخدام الطاقة النظيفة وتقديم الدراسات والاستشارات المتعلقة بها، بالإضافة الى تنفيذ المشاريع والبرامج والمبادرات التي تهدف الى تطبيق الممارسات الفضلى في الحفاظ على البيئة وتوظيف الادوات والتكنولوجيا الحديثة في التقليل من الاعتماد على الوقود الكربوني والتحول لمصادر الطاقة المتجددة وتشجيع الشركاء ومزودي الخدمات لاستخدام الطاقة النظيفة في استثماراتها وأنشطتها، وزيادة الوعي بأهمية الحفاظ على البيئة والتقليل من التأثير السلبي على المناخ.

Policy:

Al-Balqa Applied University (BAU) is committed to environmental preservation and reducing carbon emissions. It aligns its investments with environmental and social values, aiming to minimize its carbon footprint and contribute to global efforts to mitigate climate change. This commitment is reflected through applied scientific research focused on developing innovative and cost-effective solutions for managing carbon emissions. BAU also strengthens local, regional, and international partnerships to support businesses and institutions in their transition to clean energy, including the provision of necessary environmental impact studies.



BAU implements numerous projects, programs, and initiatives to ensure the application of best practices in environmental preservation. These include the use of modern tools and technologies, reducing reliance on carbon-fueled vehicles by transitioning to zero-emission electric vehicles, promoting green and smart buildings, and encouraging partners and suppliers to adopt clean energy in their operations. The university also raises awareness about the importance of environmental preservation and reducing negative impacts on the climate.

Scope:

BAU's policy of divesting from carbon-intensive energy industries applies to all investments made by the university, including endowments, pension funds, and other investment portfolios managed directly or indirectly by the university.

Objectives:

No.	Objective
1-	Contribution to preventing climate change and reducing carbon emissions.
2-	Aligning university investments with environmental, social, and governance (ESG) principles.
3-	Supporting businesses and startups that adopt clean technologies through technical assistance and incubation support.
4-	Support interdisciplinary research projects focused on cost-effective carbon management and climate solutions.
5-	Raising awareness of university members, students, and faculty to the significance of the environmental preservation and reducing the negative impact on climate.
	Encourage Clean Investment and Responsible Institutional Behavior

Related Procedures:

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1-	Developing environmental research centers.
2-	Utilizing applicable scientific research to develop economically viable solutions.
3-	Conducting a comprehensive review of existing investment portfolios to identify holdings in carbon-intensive energy industries.
4-	Developing a divestment plan to systematically withdraw investments from identified carbon-intensive holdings within a specified timeframe.
5-	Raise awareness of the significance of environmental preservation.
6-	Monitor and report greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions
7-	Establish research collaboration agreements with national and international sustainability-focused institutions.
8-	Create innovation hubs or living labs where students and researchers can prototype climate solutions on campus.