

**Union of Brunel Students
Green Impact Students' Unions 2023-24
Programme Impact Report**

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**STUDENTS
ORGANISING FOR
SUSTAINABILITY
UNITED KINGDOM**

GISU's National Impact

GISU helps staff, Elected Officers and students learn for sustainability and social responsibility, shows them what they can do to take action, and supports them in achieving these actions.

It has been developed using social change theory and our expertise to produce a model that works year-after-year. It takes a holistic view of sustainability and is based on the themes of continual improvement, collaboration, and meaningful change to establish new social norms and inspire people with the skills and passion needed to make a difference.



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SUs have led on sustainability with us this year

1360

Positive sustainability actions have been completed

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24 elected student officers took part in projects to make their SUs or SAs more sustainable

The toolkit covered 10 Union-specific areas, ensuring a holistic approach to sustainability

27 sustainability campaigns took place

22 Unions have committed to avoiding buying from Amazon internally

At least 29 sustainability awards have been handed out by SUs and SAs

There were 4 GISU-specific webinars, covering topics from Education for Sustainable Development to Demilitarising Universities

24 Unions actively supported decolonising and decarbonising action

More than 100 elected officers and staff members took part in our networking opportunities

28 SUs/SAs are committed to trade justice and ethical consumption

45 people attended online webinars to find out more about sustainability issues affecting students

25 Unions have collaborated with liberation officers or groups

Teams had 52 sustainable criteria to help them achieve their goals

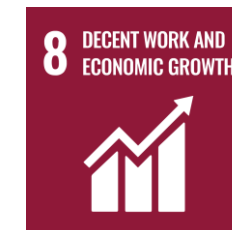
26 Unions have sustainability substantively included in their strategic plans

Engagement with the Sustainable Development Goals

25 GISU criteria were aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals so teams could understand and communicate how their local projects can support global efforts for sustainable development.



The most popular goal was **Goal 13**, with **6** criteria supporting this Goal



Other popular Goals included Goal 12, Goal 17 and Goal 8

Award winners



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Congratulations! Your team achieved

Good

Some of your team's highlights include:

- The Earth Week campaign which covered an impressive range of topics.
- Mental Health Awareness Week and the range of ways the union supported and engaged students.
- The gardening project which has lots of potential.

Your full auditor's report was sent to your inbox in the last two weeks from gisu@sos-uk.org.

Your auditor said: "It's impressive to see how the Union of Brunel Students have approached GISU this year. Their work is evidence based, and I'm sure this will ensure their campaigns improve year on year. "

The GISU team said: "Thank you so much for taking part in GISU this year. It's been incredible to see the commitment to sustainability from the unions that took part this year, particularly amongst competing priorities. You are leading the way for other Students' Unions and Associations to follow and create a sustainable present and future!"

Congratulations to all SUs who took part this year!

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