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The Sustainability Process at the University of Graz


Students' actions and influence in integrating Sustainability

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The University of Graz



- Since 1585
- 22.000 students
- 3000 staff
- 6 faculties
- 74 departments
- 70 study programs
- 148 Mio € Budget p/a




Basic principles





- Initiative to raise awareness for SD is based on:
 - the „grass root“ student organisation oikos Graz
 - University Management supports Sustainability Strategy
 - Education – Bacc. & MSc Environmental System Science
 - Research – Sd. Urban and Regional Development
 - Management: Sustainability Task Force implements SD in all university sectors





The Process – X-pillars



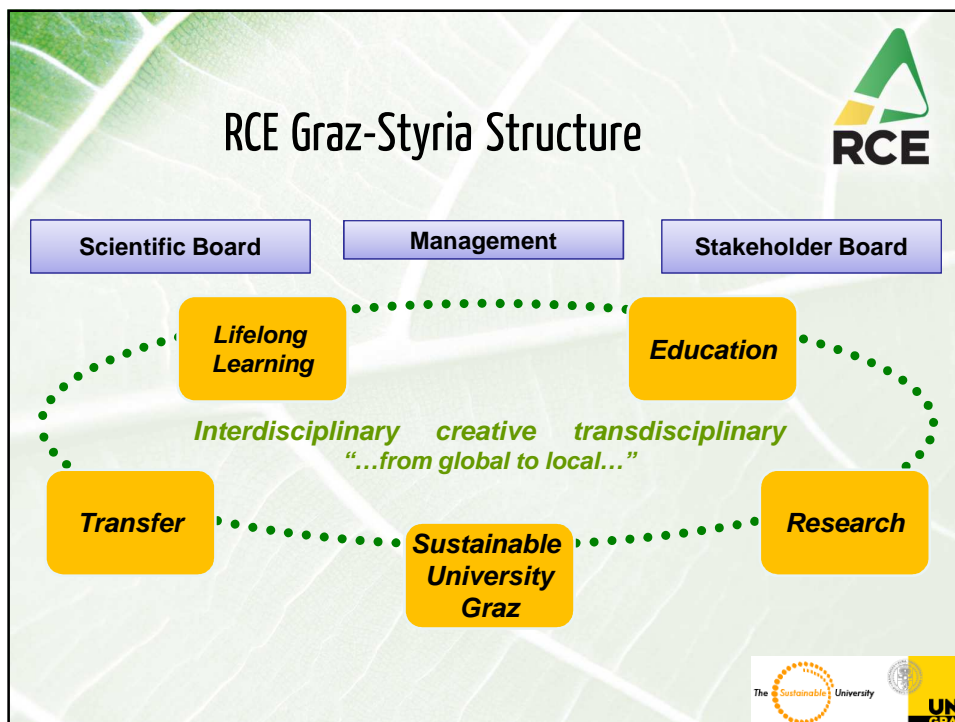


USW Studies 1991	Copernicus Charta 1993	oikos Graz 2002
SD Strategy University 2004	Task Force SUG 2004	UN DESD Conf Graz Declaration 2005
SD Report & Ecoprofit 2006	RCE Graz-Styria 2007	URBI Faculty ISIS Dept. 2007
Sustainability Coordinator 2008	Uni.Strategy Region & Environment 2008	2 nd SD Report 2008
RCEs Cairo & Iase 2009	COPERNICUS ALLIANCE 2009	...


Mission RCE Graz-Styria



Our Mission is the mutual knowledge transfer for sustainable change processes between global and local, research and practice, teachers and students.





Change Processes – Success Factors



- Key Actor with intrinsic motivation
- Network built on trust
- Ongoing Education
- Transdisciplinarity
- Sustainability principles

Experiences:

- Students involvement
- University – Society partnership
- Combination of Evolutionary & Strategic process



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Things we want to nurture and things we want to get rid of

Note: These activities require integrity and steadiness.

High Noon