



“GRANT AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES”

The KNU supports various projects at Universität Hamburg that address current sustainability related challenges in research and society. The following channels for funding are available:

INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATIONS

Support for the development of interdisciplinary research proposals submitted for third-party funding (max. € 150,000)

SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS

Funding for research projects that study and assess sustainability at Universität Hamburg (max. € 50,000)

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Two-year scholarships for research within the post-doctoral program “Sustainable Future” (Full scholarship € 2,200/Month)

PROJECT SUPPORT

Support for sustainability relevant research projects and small events (max. € 5,000/proposal)

STUDENT PROJECTS: “MACHEN!”

Funding for Universität Hamburg student team projects that deal with future viability and sustainability on campus (max. € 1,000/proposal)

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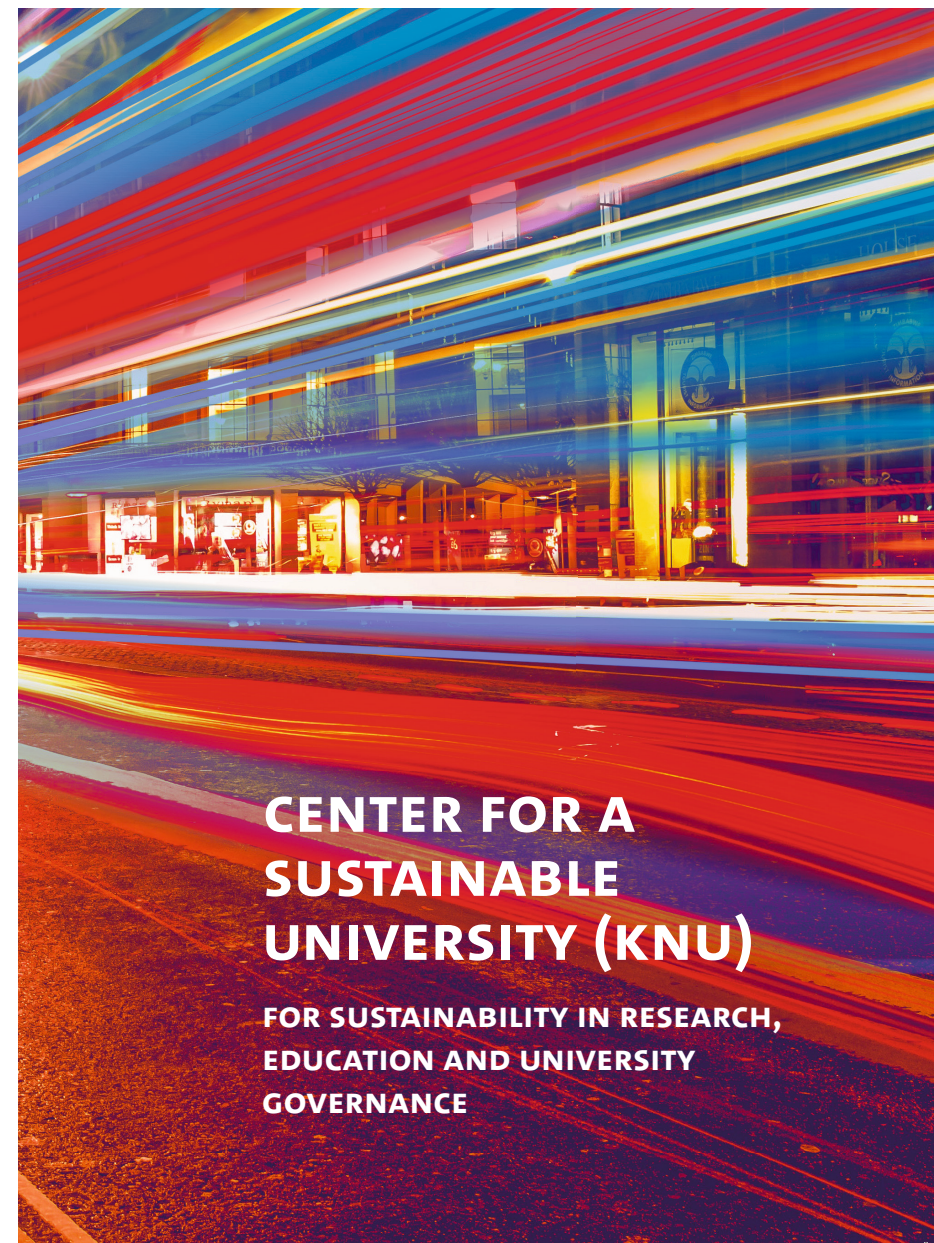
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CENTER FOR A SUSTAINABLE UNIVERSITY (KNU)

FOR SUSTAINABILITY IN RESEARCH,
EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY
GOVERNANCE

“UNIVERSITY FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE”

Our Goal

The Center for a Sustainable University (KNU) is an interdisciplinary group dedicated to the advancement of sustainability at Universität Hamburg. Our goal is to contribute to the development of a socially, economically and ecologically responsible university in areas of research, education and governance.

The KNU acts as a research network and think-tank for innovations in new approaches, concepts and methods within the context of sustainability.

WHAT WE DO:

- Fund and support scientific projects on sustainability
- Develop and implement sustainable practices in education
- Strengthen the university's internal and external networks for sustainability
- Apply new approaches for an environmentally and socially friendly university

Defining Sustainability

The KNU is an information platform for four dimensions of sustainability:

RESEARCH

How can we define and develop sustainable research?

REFLECTION ON SCIENCE

What does sustainability in science actually mean? And how can we cultivate it?

DIDACTIC

What are the characteristics of sustainable education? And how do we facilitate it?

INSTITUTIONAL

What is sustainable governance? And how can we achieve it?

KNU Example Projects:

- Creating guiding principles for university teaching
- Collaborating on multilingualism as a sustainability resource
- Participating in the Hamburg Climate Week
- Implementing a university-wide sustainability report
- Offering Capacity-Building Workshops



KNU TEAMS AND TOPICS

The KNU operates through five teams dedicated to furthering sustainability at Universität Hamburg:

SUSTAINABLE UNIVERSITY (TEAM 1)

Supports research projects and interdisciplinary exchange forums for sustainability. Team 1 also tests sustainable concepts.

SUSTAINABILITY IN EDUCATION (TEAM 2)

Focuses on the research and development of sustainable education concepts. Team 2 acts as sustainability consultant for the Universitätskolleg and provides input for quality management in teaching.

POSTDOC RESEARCH GROUP “SUSTAINABLE FUTURE” (TEAM 3)

Is composed of talented young researchers (fellowship scholars) from all disciplines of the University who develop and implement sustainability related research topics.

SUSTAINABILITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION (TEAM 4)

Works towards the development and implementation of sustainable governance at the University, institutionalizes sustainable administration as well as develops, tests and implements sustainable projects in higher education administration.

STUDENT TEAMS – MACHEN! (TEAM 5)

Is a network for sustainability-focused, student-run projects at the University (funded by KNU – MacheN!).