

Subsidy Application Form

2023-2024



Introduction

For most organisations, sustainable development is nowadays something that is being strived for. Oftentimes, policies are altered in favour of sustainability and separate committees are installed to help. Even though the will to improve is important, board members often run into a few obstructions. Unfortunately, sometimes sustainable solutions can be more expensive than their conventional alternative. To be able to omit this difference, GreenTU offers a sustainability subsidy. The goal of the program is to help with investments in long-term sustainability solutions. And by doing so, making the ambition to become sustainable more accessible.

The subsidy is targeted to all organisations that focus on students from the TU Delft or the campus. Applications are only granted for one year, not for multiple years. We grant a maximum of 500 euros per application.

To be able to determine if an application fits within GreenTU's vision on sustainability, we have curated several criteria. In the following part, these criteria will be elaborated.

Criteria

Part 0: Explanation & Motivation

In order for Green TU to get an insight into the motivation of organisations applying for a subsidy, we ask you to write a short text to explain and motivate the reason for applying (maximum 1/2 A4).

Part 1: Vision on sustainability

Elaborate how this application can lead to becoming a more sustainable organisation and how it would help with becoming more independent (e.g. funding this in-house). It is important that the organisation as a whole also becomes sustainable, as a one-day project does not make the whole organisation sustainable.

Part 2: Long-term impact

Look into literature and try to quantify your long-term impact on areas such as:

- CO₂ reduction (for example by reading LCA's)
- Waste & material use reduction
- UN's Sustainable Development Goals

When applying for the subsidy, projects should demonstrate the potential for a lasting sustainable impact on the organisation. An exception could be made for projects that make a one-off impact when these costs are included in their own budget next year. This should be properly conveyed to the subsequent board.

Part 3: Communication / exposure

How can sustainable development be shared with the target audience? It is beneficial to let members and peers know that sustainable development is an important part of your organisation. For instance, show a brief overview of a promotion plan or series regarding the project. GreenTU should also be well promoted in this plan, be creative.

Part 4: Necessity

Explain the necessity of the subsidy. Does your budget not allow it to finance the expenditure yourself? How do you plan to restructure your budget to be able to finance future sustainable developments yourself?

Part 5: Financial overview

Give a detailed breakdown of the expenditure for which the subsidy will be used. State different options. For instance, what is the difference between a conventional solution and the projected sustainable solution? Consider carefully whether the sustainable option is truly sustainable.

Examples

To make it more clear which type of projects align with our vision, we created the following overview. Note that these are only examples of possible projects, we do not necessarily always grant the types of projects listed here.

Project	
Applicable	Hard cups pilot
	(Electric) cargo bike
	Materials for repairs
	Energy-efficient appliances
	Replacements for disposables
	Timeless promotional materials
	Events focused on changing behaviour and mindset
	Insulation material
	Water-saving material
	Waste separation items
Not applicable	Sustainability funds
	Clothing or merchandise
	Travel compensation

	CO ₂ compensation
	Sustainable paper
	Plants / decoration
	Food / drinks for events
	Planting trees on campus
	Events: speakers / venue rental

Template

Fill in the following template in detail. Keep in mind that the more comprehensive and detailed your application is, the clearer and more compelling it will become.

Part 0: Explanation & motivation

Part 1: Organisation's vision on sustainability

Part 2: Long-term impact

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Part 3: Communication / exposure

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Part 4: Necessity

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Part 5: Financial breakdown

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