

Survey on Higher Education Institution-company cooperation - HEI

Introduction

This questionnaire is part of the project “Good Practice Pilot Action for Innovative Industries: Education, Training and Exploitation” (GADGET) a consortium of 9 international partners led by University of Alicante (Spain). GADGET's overall objective is to conduct a pilot action in 3 countries for good practice in cooperation between Higher Education Institutions and companies in environmental and energy industries. Any provided information and data is only used for this project, treated highly confidentially and will not be given to third parties. The questionnaire contains different questions to the subject areas as follows:

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- General questions about your institution
- Questions about HEI-company cooperation in the Energy/environment sector

Completing the questionnaire will only take 10 minutes of your time. After answering the questionnaire, we would like to contact you to ask follow-up questions, which also will not take much of your valuable time. Individual responses will remain confidential. While we guarantee anonymity, we hope that you will fill in your contact information. This will allow us to provide you with a summary of the survey and project results.

Thank you very much for your cooperation!

General Questions about You and your Institution

1. Name and weblink of your institution

Please enter the name of your institution:

Please enter the weblink of your institution:

2. Personal Data (Data stays confidential. It will only be used for the follow-up interview and informing you about the project.)

Name:

E-mail:

Phone:

*3. My institution is located in...

- Austria
- Spain
- United Kingdom

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Questions about HEI-company cooperation in the Energy/environment sector

4. How does cooperation between your HEI and companies normally start?

- We approach companies
- Companies approach us
- We respond to tender
- Recommendation

Other (please specify)

5. From whom do you normally receive recommendations (e.g. former students, intermediaries, personal contacts etc.) for the cooperation with a company?

6. How satisfied are you with the degree of your HEI's company cooperation in the energy/environment sector with regard to..?

| | Very satisfied | satisfied | neutral | unsatisfied | Very unsatisfied |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| R&D cooperation | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Work experience with students | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Consulting by my HEI for a company | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Consulting by a company for my HEI | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Knowledge transfer or exchange | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Organising events | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Training by my HEI | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Companies participating in teaching within my HEI | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Participation on committees/ advisory boards /governance boards | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Others | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

If answering to "other", please specify the type of cooperation

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7. I want that my HEI intensifies cooperation with companies in the energy/environment sector in...

| | Strongly agree | Partially agree | Neutral | Partially disagree | Strongly disagree |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| R&D cooperation | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
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| Others | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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8. Please evaluate the following statements according to your observations.

| | Strongly agree | Partially agree | Neutral | Partially disagree | Strongly disagree |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| I am satisfied with the number of local/regional company contacts of our HEI in the field of energy/environment. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| I am satisfied with the number of international company contacts of our HEI in the field of energy/environment. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| I am satisfied with the number of cooperation projects of our HEI with companies in the field of energy/environment. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Cooperation projects with companies normally take place smoothly in the field of energy/environment. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| I am satisfied with the composition of cooperating companies in the field of energy/environment. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| My HEI would like to engage in new types of cooperation in the field of energy/environment. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

9. Research Cooperation Agreements

How many research cooperation agreements do you acquire per year on average with industry partners from the energy/ environment sectors?

Questions about involvement of intermediaries

***10. Are intermediaries involved in HEI-company cooperation?**

- Yes
- No

11. How does the intermediary normally support HEI-company cooperation in the field of energy/environment? (multiple answers possible)

- They arrange the HEI-company cooperation.
- They are searching for funding opportunities for the cooperation.
- They provide equipment or facilities for the cooperation.
- They directly fund cooperations.
- They place experts and/or subcontracting companies to cooperation projects.
- They accompany the cooperation projects by providing know-how and expertise.
- They provide trainings for the support of HEI-company cooperations.
- They give support on IPR issues
- They foster technology / knowledge transfer

Other (please specify)

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Open ended questions on HEI/company cooperation

12. What would be the top three priorities which need to be in place to ensure a quality engagement between HEI/Business communities in the energy/environment sector?

1

2

3

13. What would be the top three constraints to enabling a successful engagement to take place in the energy/environment sector?

1

2

3

14. What would be the top three recommendations to improve the engagement between HEI/ Business communities in the energy/environment sector?

1

2

3

15. What are the 3 most important funding programs best suited to foster the cooperation between HEI and companies in the energy/environment sector?

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Thank you very much for completing the questionnaire!

In the course of the next days we will call you to ask follow-up questions, which also will not take much of your valuable time.

16. If you like to receive a copy of the final project results, please tick yes

- Yes
- No