

# UNIVERSITY OF OUM EL BOUAGHI

Report on the United Nations
Sustainable Development Goal 15:
Life on Land

# **ABSTRACT**

This report highlights the University of Oum El Bouaghi's endeavors in pursuit of Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land.



#### Introduction

Sustainable Development Goal 15 (SDG 15) aims to protect, restore, and promote the sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, manage forests sustainably, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation, and halt biodiversity loss. In this report, we will explore how the University of Oum El Bouaghi, located in Algeria, contributes to the achievement of SDG 15 through its policies, practices, and commitments.

## 1. Biodiversity Conservation

## **▼** Policy and Commitment

The University of Oum El Bouaghi has a clear and comprehensive policy to identify, monitor, and protect endangered species, including those listed on the IUCN Red List. This policy is based on international standards for sustainable development. It outlines actions such as species identification, habitat protection, access regulation, monitoring, awareness campaigns, and collaboration with relevant authorities.

## **☒** Research and Training Projects

The university actively engages in research and training projects aimed at preserving biodiversity and understanding the impact of environmental stress on ecosystems. These projects are conducted by dedicated researchers, contributing to a better understanding of local biodiversity and ways to protect it.

## 2. Sustainable Campus Development

### **Local Biodiversity Integration**

The University of Oum El Bouaghi demonstrates its commitment to sustainable campus development by integrating local biodiversity considerations into its planning and construction processes. During new building construction and renovations, the university takes measures to protect local plant resources and important environmental sites. It also plants new trees and plants to enhance the local ecosystem.

## 3. Mitigation of Alien Species

## **☑** Policy and Legal Compliance

The university has a well-defined policy to minimize the impact of alien species on campus, adhering to internationally and nationally recognized standards. This policy strictly prohibits the introduction of exotic plants or animals to the campus without prior approval from relevant authorities. It includes monitoring and evaluation, awareness campaigns, and collaboration with local authorities.

## 4. Responsible Waste Disposal

## **■** Waste Disposal Policy

The University of Oum El Bouaghi has a robust policy for waste disposal, including hazardous materials. This policy ensures compliance with national laws and regulations and emphasizes the proper handling and covering of hazardous materials.

## **☒** Plastic Reduction Policy

To combat plastic waste, the university has implemented a policy to reduce plastic usage on campus. This policy encourages the use of eco-friendly alternatives, reduction in plastic consumption, and enhanced recycling practices. It reinforces the importance of compliance with local laws and regulations.

#### Conclusion

The University of Oum El Bouaghi is dedicated to supporting Sustainable Development Goal 15 by implementing a range of policies, practices, and research projects. Through its commitment to biodiversity conservation, sustainable campus development, mitigation of alien species, responsible waste disposal, and plastic reduction, the university plays a significant role in preserving life on land and contributing to the global sustainability agenda.

The university's efforts not only benefit its campus but also have a positive impact on the local environment, making it a role model for institutions aspiring to achieve SDG 15 objectives. By continuing these practices and maintaining its commitment to sustainability, the University of Oum El Bouaghi sets a commendable example for institutions worldwide.