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1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.1 This Sustainable Procurement Policy of the Joint-Stock Company "International Information Technology University" (hereinafter the University) reflects the commitment to the principles of sustainable development and social responsibility in the procurement of goods, works, and services.
- 1.2 This Sustainable Procurement Policy aims to minimize negative environmental impact, support economic efficiency, and promote social responsibility.
- 1.3 This Policy is developed in accordance with: Civil Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan; Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Public Procurement" dated July 1, 2024, No. 106-VIII; Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 27, 2007, No. 319-III "On Education"; Rules for the Procurement of Goods, Works, and Services of JSC " IITU" (hereinafter the Rules).

2. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY

- 2.1 Commitment to the goals of sustainable development is one of the priorities in the University's Development Strategy.
- 2.2 Promoting the sustainable development of the University through responsible and environmentally conscious procurement.
- 2.3 Supporting local small and medium-sized businesses that use "Green Technologies" in their operations.
 - 2.4 Eliminating practices related to human rights violations and combating corruption.
 - 2.5 Minimizing the negative impact of procurement activities on the environment.
 - 2.6 Ensuring economic efficiency and transparency in procurement.
 - 2.7 Integrating environmental criteria into procurement processes.
- 2.8 Stimulating the acquisition of environmentally friendly and energy-efficient goods and services.
 - 2.9 Assessing the social responsibility of suppliers.
 - 2.10 Improving the skills of employees in the field of sustainable procurement.

3. PRINCIPLES OF SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT

- 3.1. Environmental Sustainability: Procuring goods and services with minimal environmental impact (e.g., using recycled materials, with low carbon emissions). Reducing waste and promoting recycling.
- 3.2. Social Responsibility: Conducting transparent procurement procedures, participating in the local economy and supporting small and medium-sized enterprises, respecting the rights of suppliers.
- 3.3. Economic Efficiency: Focusing on the long-term benefits of procurement rather than short-term savings. Optimizing costs considering long-term factors. Assessing the total cost of ownership. Transparency and competitiveness of procurement.

4. EXAMPLE OF KEY PRINCIPLES

- 4.1 Energy Saving: Procuring energy-efficient equipment and systems.
- 4.2 Reducing Carbon Footprint: Preferring goods with lower carbon dioxide emissions during production and delivery.
- 4.3 Ethics in Business: Absence of discrimination in the selection of suppliers of goods, works, and services.
 - 4.4 Recycling and Reuse: Preferring goods that can be recycled or reused.

5. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

- 5.1 Environmental Characteristics (certificates, carbon footprint, energy efficiency, etc.).
- 5.2 Social Responsibility of the Supplier (working conditions, respect for human rights).

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- 5.3 Technological Innovation and Durability of Products.
- 5.4 Honesty and Transparency in Business Conduct (no corruption, reliability, compliance with requirements, etc.).

6. SUPPLIER SELECTION PROCESS

- 6.1 Applying sustainability criteria when selecting suppliers and contractors (including mandatory environmental and social requirements).
 - 6.2 Assessing the environmental and social standards of companies at the procurement stage.
- 6.3 Engaging suppliers capable of demonstrating their commitment to the principles of sustainable development.

7. WASTE AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 Principles of reducing, recycling, and disposing of waste related to procurement.
- 7.2 Supporting initiatives for the use of reusable and recyclable materials.
- 7.3 Reducing the need for paper documentation, transitioning to electronic document management.

8. MONITORING

- 8.1 Evaluating the results of the implementation of the sustainable procurement policy (using reporting, indicators, or metrics).
 - 8.2 Transparency in the procurement process.
 - 8.3 Supporting control over compliance with environmental, social, and economic standards.

9. EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

- 9.1 Organizing training and professional development for employees involved in procurement on sustainable practices.
- 9.2 Supporting information campaigns within the University to raise awareness about the importance of sustainable procurement.

10. INTERACTION WITH PARTNERS AND THE COMMUNITY

- 10.1 Collaboration with other higher education institutions, state and private organizations actively working in the field of sustainable development.
 - 10.2 Participation in public initiatives aimed at increasing sustainability in various fields.

11. FINAL PROVISIONS

- 11.1 Compliance with international standards such as ISO 14001 (environmental management), ISO 26000 (social responsibility), or other relevant standards.
- 11.2 The implementation of sustainable procurement at JSC "IITU" contributes to the reduction of carbon emissions, supports ethical producers, and creates a foundation for long-term environmental and social sustainability. This approach helps the university not only make its procurement more responsible but also set an example for other educational and public organizations.

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