

# UNIVERSITY ALLIANCE FOR SUSTAINABILITY

## Mission

Sustainable development is one of the biggest global challenges and will remain a focal point of global societal concern, political debate and technological innovation in the decades to come. The partners of the “University Alliance for Sustainability” see it as their responsibility to actively shape this global discourse and to address respective challenges by developing and implementing a whole institution approach towards sustainability. The strategic partnership programme „University Alliance for Sustainability” will focus on sustainability as a comprehensive topic for collaborating in research, teaching, and campus management.

## Strategic Partners

**FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN** (Germany)  
**HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM** (Israel)  
**PEKING UNIVERSITY** (China)  
**ST. PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY** (Russia)  
**UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA** (Canada)

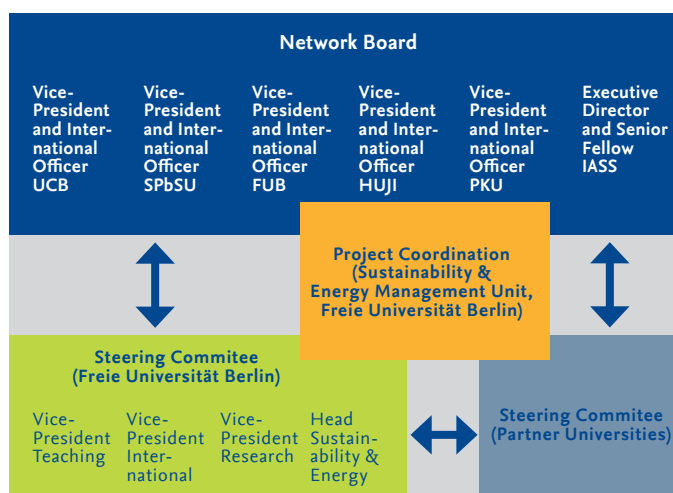
## Concept and Strategy

The University Alliance for Sustainability will be funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and use the partners’ complementary strengths to:

- develop joint research and teaching projects,
- offer exchange options for faculty, staff, and students,
- foster inter-institutional learning with regard to management issues.

## Governance

The Network Board will meet in Berlin for 3 days in 2015 and 2017. Additionally, online conferences will be held quarterly.



## Mobility Programme

<b>Student Research and Study Stays:</b>	2015–2018	3 outgoing & 3 incoming PhD students	1–3 months
<b>Junior Research Stays:</b>	2015–2018	2 outgoing & 2 incoming PhD students	2 months
<b>Senior Research Stays:</b>	2015–2018	2 outgoing & 2 incoming researchers (PostDoc & beyond)	21 days (out) 1 month (in)
<b>Administrators' Explorative Stays:</b>	2015–2018	2 outgoing & 1 incoming	6 days (out) 14 days (in)
<b>Explorative Research Visits:</b>	2015–2018	2 outgoing researchers (PostDoc & beyond)	6 days
<b>Sustainability Volunteer Swap:</b>	2015–2018	5 outgoing students (all levels)	9 days

## Other Activities

### Teaching Incubators, 2015 and 2017

Three-day meeting of teaching experts from all partners to compile course offers with relevance to sustainability and to create a joint course catalogue. Teaching Incubators will also serve as a platform to develop online versions of existing sustainability courses to be shared by all partners.

### Spring Campus, starting in 2016, annually

DAY 1	DAY 2 / 3 / 4	DAY 5	DAY 6
<b>Public Lectures</b> Scientists from the partner universities will present re-search perspectives and set the scale for the upcoming events.	<b>Research Incubator, 3 days</b> Researchers will discuss joint re-search and teaching activities.  <b>Management Incubator, 3 days</b> Administrative staff will exchange and develop joint ideas and practices.		
<b>Sustainability Spring Board, 6 days</b> This measure aims at initiating a research network by bringing together up to 16 doctoral students from all partner universities working on the topic of sustainability.			

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