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## Announcing the 2022 International Green Gown Award Winners

- **AllianzGI partners with International Green Gown Awards to promote exceptional sustainability initiatives at world's universities and colleges, encouraging the next generation to take action on sustainability**
- **Winners are announced on 6 July 2022 as part of the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development**
- **A total of 56 Finalists from 19 countries from across the world for six categories**

Allianz Global Investors, one of the world's leading active investment managers, and EAUC-The Alliance for Sustainability Leadership in Education (EAUC) announced today the Winners of the 2022 International Green Gown Awards, among 56 Finalists from 19 countries from across the world.

The winners were first revealed at the International Green Gown Awards Ceremony on 6 July 2022 as part of the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

Endorsed by United Nations Environment Programme and supported by The Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), L'Agence universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF) and International Association of Universities (IAU), the International Green Gown Awards recognise and celebrate the exceptional sustainability initiatives being undertaken by universities and colleges across the world. Starting from 2022, AllianzGI has entered into a three-year partnership with the International Green Gown Awards, to encourage the next generation to start taking action for a sustainable future.

**Matt Christensen, Global Head Sustainable & Impact Investing at Allianz Global Investors says:**

“Creating a more sustainable future goes beyond combating climate change. It is about protecting our environment, fostering biodiversity, and ensuring that we make this important transition without leaving anyone behind. It is therefore critical that all of us – companies, academia, and policymakers – work together to solve the challenges we are facing. Every action counts. Seeing the ideas submitted to this year's International Green Gown Awards gives me the confidence that we will not run out of sustainable investment opportunities in the future. We are pleased to be a partner to support and recognise such an inspiring group of entrepreneurs.”

**Fiona Goodwin, CEO (interim) at EAUC and Green Gown Awards Secretariat, says:**

“We are delighted to announce our 2022 winners! We hope that universities and colleges from all around the world will take inspiration from their example and raise the bar on climate action. From India to Colombia to Malaysia and Canada and many more, our winners show how important it is for universities and colleges to tackle the climate and biodiversity crisis. With such fantastic projects we are already looking forward to hearing from many more institutions in 2023!”

Here are the 2022 Winners of the International Green Gown Awards:

**2030 Climate Action**

WINNER (Large Institution): Chiba University of Commerce, Japan

WINNER (Small Institution): University of Sopron, Hungary

Highly Commended: Bridgend College, UK

Highly Commended: RMIT University, Australia

**Benefitting Society**

WINNER (Large Institution): Deakin University, Australia

WINNER (Small Institution): De La Salle Lipa, Philippines

Highly Commended: International Islamic University Malaysia, Malaysia

Highly Commended: Newcastle University and Cap-a-Pie, UK

Highly Commended: UCSI University, Malaysia

**Creating Impact**

WINNER: University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

Highly Commended: Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico

**Next Generation Learning and Skills**

WINNER: University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

Highly Commended: Universidad del Norte, Colombia

Highly Commended: De Montfort University, UK

**Student Engagement**

WINNER (Large Institution): University of Tasmania, Australia

WINNER (Small Institution): UCSI University, Malaysia

Highly Commended: Engineering School of Purpan, France

Highly Commended: University of St Andrews, UK

**Sustainability Institution of the Year**

WINNER: Dawson College, Canada

Highly Commended: Goa Institute of Management, India

Highly Commended: University of Tasmania, Australia

The International Green Gown Awards Ceremony and the Winners' projects can be found here:

<https://www.greengownawards.org/2022-finalists>

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protecting and enhancing our clients' assets leads naturally to a commitment to sustainability to drive positive change. Our goal is to elevate the investment experience for clients, whatever their location or objectives.

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## About the Green Gown Awards

Established in 2004, the Green Gown Awards recognise the exceptional sustainability initiatives being undertaken by universities, colleges and the learning and skills sectors across the world as the education sector leads a path to efficiency, employability and better quality of life for us all. The Green Gown Awards are administered by the EAUC – the Alliance for Sustainability Leadership in Education.

The Green Gown Awards are also delivered on a regional basis in Australasia, UK & Ireland, French speaking as well as the International Green Gown Awards supported by the United Nations Environment Programme, the Higher Education Sustainability Initiative, The Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), L'Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF) and International Association of Universities (IAU).

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