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SUSTAINABLE HARVESTING POLICY FOR FOOD FROM AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

Istanbul Okan University adopts the sustainable, environmentally responsible and ethical sourcing of food from aquatic ecosystems, aiming to protect these ecosystems and support the long-term sustainability of their resources. It conducts procurement and use of seafood and other aquatic foods in line with responsible consumption, national legislation and international environmental principles.

Policy Core Actions ;

- Ensure seafood and other aquatic foods are sourced using sustainable and environmentally responsible methods.
- Reduce adverse impacts on aquatic ecosystems and support conservation of natural resources.
- Promote responsible consumption and sustainable sourcing throughout campuses.
- Consider and apply current sustainability standards and good practices in procurement.
- Raise stakeholder awareness of and participation in sustainable harvesting and responsible consumption.
- Promote sustainable aquatic food consumption through education and awareness activities.
- Develop cooperation with local producers, fishers and relevant specialist organizations to support sustainable practices.
- Support research, monitoring and practical work on aquatic ecosystem conservation.
- Plan, coordinate and implement sustainable aquatic food management.
- Monitor effectiveness and continuously improve practices through the PDCA cycle.

