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Integrating with your Institution



Learning in Future
Environments (LiFE) is a
comprehensive
performance improvement
and benchmarking system
developed specifically to
help colleges and universities to manage, measure,
improve and promote their
social responsibility and
sustainability performance.

LiFE has been developed with generous support from our funding partners Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE), Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW), Scottish Funding Council (SFC) and the Department for Employement and Learning in Northern Ireland (DELNI), as well as direct input from people across the sector.

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One of our key criteria for designing LiFE was that it is easy to manage within an institution. We've put a lot of work into making a system that will be effortless to use and bring real benefit to every area of your institution.

We've designed LiFE from the ground up and we've partnered with a software company who are experts at designing online systems. LiFE is completely different from any other system that is available within the sector and we're continuing to work hard to make the system simple and intuitive.

We've made sure of this with several key features:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- Available Anywhere LiFE is based in the cloud, so it's
 designed to be used anywhere that you are. You don't need
 to worry about software support or installing any computer
 programmes you just log onto the system through your
 web-browser and you're ready to go!
- Shared Responsibility LiFE is designed to get people from across your institution involved in embedding sustainability and social responsibility. You can add users at all levels, from senior management to administrator, and assign them appropriate rights and privileges.
- Document Storage LiFE has a built in document store allowing you to keep all your relevant policy documents, actions plans and strategies in one location - accessible to you at all times.

SUPPORT AND USER FORUMS

- Internal Support It's important that everyone is able to get support and help as they are working to improve their performance. LiFE has an inbuilt community centre that connects you to everyone in your LiFE team, letting you share ideas and answer questions.
- Connecting To The Wider Community We know how important it is for you to get support as you look to embed LiFE into your institution. Our community centre can also connect you and your institution to the wider LiFE network, letting you get support from the EAUC, share ideas with other institutions and talk about best practices.

REPORTING AND TRACKING

- Task Management LiFE makes it easy to collect information from all areas of your institution and review it. The task manager will inform you when a user has submitted information or documentation for your review and you can easily track changes, check progress and review submissions as they occur.
- Submit Evidence If you decide to submit your performance for our independent accreditation assessment LiFE makes it easy to make sure all your evidence areas are completed on time, it's as easy as clicking a button!
- Self Assessment LiFE lets you track your progress using easy to understand graphics and displays to benchmark your achievements as you work through the process, giving you a much better understanding of what kind of accreditation you are likely to expect.

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FLEXIBLE FRAMEWORKS

The LiFE system has been designed using a series of frameworks that provide valuable information to help you to improve your social responsibility and sustainability performance across all the areas of your institution. Each framework guides you through the types of actions you will expect to undertake as part of this process.

The system recognises that not all institutions are the same and has been

designed to be flexible enough that you can begin from a starting point that is most suitable to you.

Within the flexible frameworks there is an integrated resource centre displaying links to resources that are most relevant to the particular framework you are working on.

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As you can see, LiFE has been designed to be easily integrated into any type of institution. We have worked hard to ensure that the process of using the system is as intuitive as possible, and we have built in significant management and reporting tools to ensure that you can always keep on track with how you're performing.

An Introduction to LiFE Priority Areas & Frameworks Benefiting Your Institution Promoting Your Efforts Investing in LiFE

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