



Introducing **Sustainability Syndicates**

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What exactly is a Sustainability Syndicate?





A facilitated group of HE sustainability practitioners creating a peer-learning space for maximum mutual benefit.

A space to share challenges and successes.

A space to measure performance improvement and impact

A space to explore potential for collaboration





Each Sustainability Syndicate sets its own agenda.

- Meet Quarterly for facilitated peer-review/knowledge sharing sessions
- •Share live benchmarking data through a bespoke online portal created specifically for your Sustainability Syndicate.
- •Sessions focus on measurable progress, action and potential for collaboration.





Some examples:

A Staff/Student Engagement Syndicate

A Waste Minimisation/Carbon Reduction Syndicate

Regional Sustainability Syndicates......supercharged LUEG?





What are the benefits of being a member of a Sustainability Syndicate?





- Highly cost-effective.
- Problem-solving with peers grappling with the same issues.
- Identifying and sharing effective practice.
 - Peer critique/peer-auditing relationships
 - Deep relationships rather than superficial networking





- **Developing shared approaches**
- **Exploring collaborative consumption/shared services**
- Personal AND professional development
 - **Benchmarking live data**





What could a LUEG
Sustainability Syndicate
look like?





Some suggestions:

One or more themed Syndicates

A LUEG steering Syndicate

One or more themed Syndicates agreeing to share learning with the wider LUEG group and to focus on LUEG development as part of the process





Things to think about:

What services could be shared?

How could collaboration opportunities be maximised?

What pitfalls would you like to avoid?

What lessons learned do you hope to build upon?





Pay it Forward.

Our own sustainability commitment is simply to **Be Good and Do Good**.





For each Sustainability Syndicate we work with we have committed to creating a parallel Syndicate for student participants.

We will deliver this with our partners at Change Agents UK with a view to enabling students to develop sustainability and employability skills.

Members will be expected to Pay it Forward too in their own contexts to continue the virtual circle.





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