



## London Universities Environmental Group

### *Digest Email*

Dear All,  
Welcome to the LUEG digest email for April 2016. Here we have all the latest happenings from across the London university sustainability sector. If you would like to put a story / event / update in the next email follow the email link over here ----->  
Best Wishes,  
John Bailey

#### **LUEG Update:**

We are continuing with the plan to have meetings once every two months and the newsletter on the alternative months but we need people to volunteer to host a meeting if they can. Please put yourself forward. Here's the 2016 list:

**January 2016** - LSE

**March 2016** - University of London

**May 2016** - Newham College TBD

**July 2016** - TBD

**September 2016** - TBD

**November 2016** - TBD

#### **EVENT: Swap Shop London**

**When: 22nd April – 10am-5pm**

**Where: Student Central, Malet Street**

Student Central is hosting Swap Shop London on the 22nd April! Open to all London students and university staff, and it's **free!**

Please share this Facebook event with any students / societies / staff you think might be interested, or email [swapshoplondon@gmail.com](mailto:swapshoplondon@gmail.com)  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1710436409197877/>

#### **UPDATE: Hadlow College**

Hadlow College has recently begun a two-year, ERASMUS+ funded programme to build two green walls on the main campus and incorporate into our curriculum. One wall will be indoors and one outdoors. A contractor is about to be appointed and we hope the walls will be

### LUEG Digest

This is the LUEG digest. We are aiming to get this newsletter out every two months, on the alternative months between LUEG meetings. Please email John Bailey: [john.bailey@london.ac.uk](mailto:john.bailey@london.ac.uk) if you have any stories, events, news or jobs you would like to add to the next one. Please have a title, one or two sentences and a link to further information.

### LUEG



London Universities Environmental Group (LUEG) was set up to bring together sustainability professionals from London's Higher (and now Further) Education institutions in order to contribute to achieving sustainable development in the sector in the Greater London Area

planted and in action by late spring this year. Visitors will be most welcome. Our students will be closely involved in this project and take on the maintenance of the walls post construction.

#### **UPDATE: UCU**

Latest UCU Environment Newsletter:

[https://www.ucu.org.uk/media/7982/UCU-environmental-news-45-Mar-16/pdf/ucu\\_environmentalnews\\_45\\_mar16.pdf](https://www.ucu.org.uk/media/7982/UCU-environmental-news-45-Mar-16/pdf/ucu_environmentalnews_45_mar16.pdf)

Plus the invitation to register for our UCU/NUS Academic Conference on *'The role of education institutions in tackling climate change'* on May 13th at the University of Manchester

<https://www.ucu.org.uk/education-and-climate-change-conference>

#### **UPDATE: Kings College London**

Warp-it is now up and running and should be live in 1-2 weeks' time max.

Kat Thorne has returned from maternity leave!

We are submitting our workbooks for office and lab awards (Green Impact) and are happy to report 20 teams in laboratories.

We've just made a substantial purchase of waterless condensers which will go into chemistry and pharma labs. When in use, they will save the college ~1.5 million litres of water per year (and we have a small chemistry department).

#### **UPDATE: University of Greenwich**

The University of Greenwich recently launched its annual sustainability report for 2014-15. [This can be viewed/downloaded here](#). The report was produced to help the University recognise the breadth of sustainability work being undertaken within the institution and understand the issue and value its potential. It was designed by one of our graduate interns and the main challenge we found was getting information from some Faculties... Feel free to feedback to [sustainability@gre.ac.uk](mailto:sustainability@gre.ac.uk)

#### **UPDATE: Goldsmiths**

##### **Energy Detectives:**

Since the launch of the Energy Detectives Project earlier this year, Goldsmiths has saved an estimated £300 in energy costs and prevented 1.35 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emission from being emitted. These savings occurred by simply switching of lights and ICT equipment in teaching rooms when not in use and this was done with the help of the Energy Detectives web app and the Space Enhancement Officers (SEO's).

##### **The Food Assembly:**

Goldsmiths has started the process of becoming a member of the Food Assembly for the London Region. The process proved pretty straightforward and it's a great way of promoting sustainable foods and healthier

choices. For more information about starting the Food Assembly on your campus contact:

<https://thefoodassembly.com/en>

**Fairtrade Fortnight 2016:**

4 main events took place on Goldsmiths campus. A "Sit Down to Breakfast event", a Fairtrade Debate with the Goldsmiths Debating Society, a Wine, Beer and Chocolate tasting event and a talk by Sophi Tranchell of Divine Chocolate.

**JOB: Sustainability Projects Officer**

The University of London is recruiting for a Sustainability Projects Officer. It is a 1 year fixed term, ideal for a recent graduate looking for their first full-time role in sustainability and will give anyone a fantastic grounding to anyone looking to launch into a sustainability career!

Closing Date : 17/04/2016

Salary : £23,669-£28,449

To apply:

<https://www.jobs.london.ac.uk/DisplayJob.aspx?jobid=319>

**REMINDER: Reduce the Juice**

The University of London is expanding its pilot behaviour change project for students living in halls of residence. We have space for 10 universities / hall providers on the project this year, so please get in contact with Jack Connors if you are interested in being one of the 10:

[jack.connors@london.ac.uk](mailto:jack.connors@london.ac.uk)

For more info head here: <http://goo.gl/GhtKCA>

**NEWS: Clever way to catch butts!**

The ballot bin encourages people to vote with their cigarette butts asking smokers to put their cigarette butt in a bin that asks them questions. See the bins

here: <https://ballotbin.co.uk/>

**NEWS: What if the world were 100 people?**

Here's a great little video highlighting a number of statistics about the global population by reducing it down to 100. Watch it

here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QFrqTFRy-LU>

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