

EAUC-Scotland's 2018 Conference took the theme "A Decade of Progress", celebrating achievements of the last decade and visioning the decade ahead.

102 individuals representing 9 universities and 12 colleges co-created the visions below, and identified key actions for different stakeholder groups to take us to those visions.

This Conference Summary Report highlights the Visions for the Decade Ahead under the five areas of further and higher education sustainability activity explored in Conference Workshops, and the Actions required by **professional services staff** to progress towards these visions.

## VISIONS FOR A DECADE AHEAD

### Behaviour Change

A tertiary education sector that engages communities to foster and encourage inclusive and sustainable behaviours within and beyond their institutions

### Campus Development and Utilities

A tertiary education sector which achieves a 50% CO<sub>2</sub> reduction over the next decade through smaller, more flexible and accessible intelligent estates

### Learning and Teaching

A tertiary education sector which inspires and equips learners to collaboratively make positive changes for people and planet, using creativity and critical thinking

### Resource Procurement and Lifecycle

A tertiary education sector which educates and inspires society to maximise resource lifecycles and make reduction the new norm

### Whole Institution Approach

A tertiary education sector which is a leader in demonstrating holistic sustainability (at all levels and in external engagement and partnerships) through practical actions, individual behaviours, and institutional values and culture

# ACTIONS REQUIRED BY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES STAFF

## Champion sustainability

- Champion the benefits and opportunities which sustainable individual and collective behaviours offer, personally, professionally, and for the institution
- Promote your interest in sustainability to senior staff

## Take action

- Be a role model of responsible practice, embodying sustainability in your day-to-day decision making and promoting a positive, engaged culture
- Get actively involved with supporting sustainability on campus
- Where necessary and applicable to your job role, narrow the options available to encourage more sustainable choices by students and staff

## Develop your knowledge and networks

- Engage with the staff who are leading sustainability in your institution and build partnerships
- Think and work beyond your school / department
- Consider involvement with EAUC and other sustainability support organisations

## Support others

- Listen, train and empower your colleagues to be effective leaders for sustainability
- Support the development of spaces and opportunities for students and staff to come together and engage about their own sustainability behaviours and with how the university / college can become more sustainable
- Champion the importance of being flexible with certain practices and procedures in order to support positive change within the institution