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PRESS RELEASE

Universitas Indonesia Leads Global Sustainability Standards: UI GreenMetric 2025 Now Joined by Nearly 1,800 Universities Worldwide

5 December 2025 — The UI GreenMetric World University Rankings today officially announced the results of its 2025 edition. This announcement marks an important milestone that reaffirms the University of Indonesia (UI) not merely as a participant in the global arena, but as the creator and pioneer of the sustainability standards themselves. Initiated by UI in 2010, UI GreenMetric has grown into the world's largest network of sustainable campuses.

A Surge in Global Participation: A Testament to Worldwide Trust in UI

The 2025 edition records a new historical milestone with **1,745 universities from 105 countries** taking part. This reflects a significant increase compared to the previous year, which saw participation from **1,477 universities across 95 countries**.

The reach and influence of the standards created by UI continue to expand with the participation of **10 new countries** this year: the Democratic Republic of Congo, Tanzania, Georgia, Tajikistan, Cameroon, the Republic of Cyprus, Mongolia, Northern Cyprus, the Dominican Republic, and Japan. This proves that UI's assessment framework—based on **58 indicators across 6 criteria**—has become a universal reference for higher education institutions across all continents.

"Unggul Impactful": Innovation That Reaches Society

The Rector of Universitas Indonesia, **Prof. Dr. Ir. Heri Hermansyah**, **S.T., M.Eng., IPU**, emphasized that for the 2025–2029 period, UI is advancing the spirit of "**Unggul Impactful**". The main focus is no longer solely on academic publications, but on the downstreaming of research to deliver real solutions for societal and environmental challenges.

"UI is committed to creating real impact by implementing sustainability knowledge in everyday life," said Prof. Heri.

A Platform for Collaboration, Not Just Competition

The Chair of UI GreenMetric, **Dr. Vishnu Juwono**, stated that UI GreenMetric—the first university ranking system in the world focused on sustainability—functions as a platform for shared learning and innovation.

"This remarkable growth in participation reflects the collective commitment of universities worldwide to advance sustainability through research, education, and campus initiatives," said Dr. Vishnu.

This evolution demonstrates the collective progress from its early years, when it began with only **95 universities**, to what has now become a massive global movement toward a greener future.



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The World's Most Sustainable Universities 2025

Based on a comprehensive evaluation, **Wageningen University & Research** from the Netherlands has been named the **World's Most Sustainable University in 2025**. Meanwhile, Universitas Indonesia once again demonstrated its leadership by securing the title of **Asia's Most Sustainable University**.

Top 10 World's Most Sustainable Universities 2025:

- 1. Wageningen University & Research (Netherlands)
- 2. University College Cork (Ireland)
- 3. Nottingham Trent University (United Kingdom)
- 4. Umwelt-Campus Birkenfeld (Germany)
- 5. Universidade de São Paulo (Brazil)
- 6. University of Groningen (Netherlands)
- 7. University of California, Davis (USA)
- 8. University of Connecticut (USA)
- 9. Università di Bologna (Italy)
- 10. Universität Bremen (Germany)

Top Sustainable Universities by Region:

- 1. Africa: Alexandria University
- 2. Asia: Universitas Indonesia
- 3. Europe: Wageningen University & Research
- 4. Oceania: Lincoln University
- 5. Latin America: Universidade de São Paulo
- 6. North America: University of California, Davis

Top Sustainable Universities by Region:

- 1. Setting & Infrastructure: Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León
- 2. Energy & Climate Change: University College Cork
- 3. Waste Management: Wageningen University & Research
- 4. Water Management: Wageningen University & Research
- 5. Transportation & Mobility: Università di Bologna

Honourable Awards:

- Special Recognition for Hosting the 2025 UI GreenMetric World University Rankings Results and Award Ceremony: National Chi Nan University (NCNU)
- 2. The Most Active University in UI GreenMetric World University Rankings in 2025: SIAM University
- 3. The Best New Participating University: Loyola University
- 4. The Most Sustainably Improved University: Ontario Tech University

UI GreenMetric World University Rankings



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Through UI GreenMetric, Universitas Indonesia continues to affirm its strategic role as a global trendsetter—driving higher education institutions to transform from mere ivory towers into real agents of change for the planet.

About UI GreenMetric

Initiated by Universitas Indonesia in 2010, UI GreenMetric World University Rankings is the world's first university ranking dedicated to sustainable campuses. Through evidence-based assessments of environmental commitment and action, UI GreenMetric has now become the world's largest global network for sustainable campuses.

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