

Annual SDG 17 Report (2024 – 2025)

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 17 - PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

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Overview and Institutional Commitment

East Bridge University (EBU) believes that achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals is only possible through global collaboration.

Under SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals, EBU continues to strengthen strategic alliances that amplify educational access, research innovation, and community impact.

Partnerships form the core of EBU's institutional model — enabling shared knowledge, resource mobilisation, and collective impact across nations and sectors.

EBU's partnership philosophy is guided by:

- **Equity and Mutual Benefit:** Partnerships must serve reciprocal growth and capacity building.
- Transparency and Accountability: All collaborations are evaluated through documented outcomes and impact metrics.
- Sustainability and Scalability: Each partnership should be designed for continuity and long-term community benefit.





Strategic Focus Areas

Focus Area	Objective	Key 2024–25 Actions	
1. Institutional Alliances	Expand global academic collaborations to enhance reach and recognition.	Signed 7 new MoUs with universities and training providers across Asia, Africa and Europe.	
2. Research & Innovation Partnerships	Facilitate joint research and knowledge exchange.	Co-published 5 papers with partner universities and launched the Global Education & Impact Research Network.	
3. NGO & Community Engagements	Support grass-roots development through joint programmes.	Continued collaboration with Girls Education Mission International and FarmStew Uganda, reaching 3,000+ community beneficiaries.	
4. Capacity Building & Training	Share academic expertise through joint workshops and faculty development.	Conducted six international webinars and two leadership masterclasses with partner institutions.	
5. Global Recognition & Quality Frameworks	Align partnerships with accreditation and impact standards.	Renewed affiliations with QAHE, EAHEA, and IEAC; strengthened THE Impact Reporting network participation.	





2024 – 2025 Highlights

- Global Partnership Network: Active collaborations spanning 20 countries across Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East.
- Academic Mobility: Introduced dual-award framework with Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University (Cambodia) benefiting doctoral and master's learners.
- Capacity Building: Joint workshops on educational leadership trained 450+ educators and administrators globally.
- Sustainable Development Projects: NGO partnerships contributed to livelihood training and education access in low-income regions.
- International Visibility: EBU featured in regional education summits as a partner for inclusive learning and digital innovation.





Key Partnerships and Collaborations

Partner Organisation	Region	Nature of Collaboration	Outcome / Impact
Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University (PSBU)	Cambodia	Academic Dual-Award Collaboration	Enabled joint PhD/B.Ed pathways recognised by Ministry of Education (Cambodia).
International Education Accreditation Council (IEAC)	UK	Institutional Accreditation and Research Support	Strengthened EBU's academic quality and international standing.
Quality Assurance in Higher Education (QAHE)	Global	Accreditation and Impact Monitoring	Jointly developed annual review metrics for education impact and outreach.
Girls Education Mission International (GEMI)	Nigeria	Community Outreach and Gender Inclusion	Delivered education and career training to 230 low-income women teachers.
FarmStew International	Uganda	Sustainability and Livelihood Training	Trained 600 community members in nutrition and entrepreneurship.





Monitoring and Measurement

EBU measures its SDG 4 impact through performance indicators covering access, quality, and outcomes.

Indicator	Current (2024–25)	Target (2026)
Number of active partnerships	22	30
Partner countries represented	20	25
Joint research outputs	8	12
Co-hosted events / conferences	10	15
Community beneficiaries via NGO partnerships	3,800	5,000
Partner faculty / student exchange programmes	6	10

Data collected by the External Relations and Partnerships Office, verified by the Office of Sustainability and Institutional Impact through annual partner reports and MoU reviews.





Impact Stories (Selected Cases)

- Case 1 Dual Doctoral Pathway with PSBU Cambodia

 EBU and PSBU launched a dual-award programme that offers research students a globally recognised qualification while maintaining local Ministry endorsement in Cambodia. Over 120 doctoral candidates benefited from this initiative.
- Case 2 Global Educator Exchange Series

 EBU, EBT and ACT co-hosted a series of virtual seminars on inclusive education and digital pedagogy, connecting participants from 30 countries.
- Case 3 NGO Partnership Impact in Africa
 Through GEMI and FarmStew, EBU facilitated education and livelihood programmes for communities in Nigeria and Uganda, enhancing skills and income opportunities for more than 800 women and youth.





Governance and Accountability

- The Partnerships Steering Committee within the Office of Sustainability and Institutional Impact monitors all partnership activities.
- Partner MoUs are reviewed annually to ensure alignment with EBU's strategic and SDG priorities.
- Performance data are included in the University's Impact Dashboard and audited for THE Impact submission.
- Partner satisfaction surveys and collaborative impact assessments inform future planning.

Outlook

- Launch a Global Partnership Incubator Programme to support joint innovation projects in education and sustainability.
- Expand alliances with universities in Europe and Latin America for joint doctoral supervision and research grants.
- Introduce a **Digital Partnership Portal** for centralised management of MoUs, KPIs and impact data.
- Host the first **EBU Global Partnership Summit** to showcase collaborative impact stories and sign new international agreements.

Conclusion

EBU's commitment to SDG 17 demonstrates how strategic collaboration can drive sustainable progress across education, equality and economic mobility.

By building trust-based alliances, sharing expertise, and linking communities through knowledge, EBU translates partnerships into practical, measurable impact that supports the global 2030 Agenda.

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