
SDG-Winter School 2018

Theme: Innovations through BRAIN-GAIN - The SDGs and the Next Generation.

The SDG Winter School 2018 was part of the SDG4UNiS project. It was the first SDG-Winter School for Universities and Institutions of higher learning regarding the Role of Students and Graduates in the Implementation of the Agenda 2030 in a North-South and South-South Dialogue.

The SDG Winter School 2018 was mainly of two aspects

BRAIN-GAIN Conference and BRAIN-GAIN Awards for Innovation- Official launching

Of the 17 SDGs in the Agenda 2030, the Conference focused on;

Goal 1: Zero Poverty; Goal 4: Quality Education; Goal 5: Gender Equality; Goal 9: Industry Innovation and Infrastructure; Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities; Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production; Goal 13: Climate Action.

The Conference aimed at

Providing an open discourse about the Status-Quo regarding the SDGs, an in-depth examination of their implications as well as the opportunities provided through innovation in order to make the SDGs a reality.

Specifically, BRAIN-GAIN Conference aimed at:

- Bringing a southern perspective of the SDGs to light, enhancing dialogue and discourse on the way forward.
- Creation of networking opportunities while building synergies among allied professionals undertaking projects towards the realization of the SDGs.
- Identifying individual ways and alternative means through which each can contribute to the realization of the SDGs in the day-to-day lives.

The BRAIN-GAIN Awards for Innovation aims at;

Identifying, selecting, showcasing and rewarding experts and especially from the global South, who have acquired knowledge and skills in the North (Germany) and are drawing on them in developing their home countries through their innovative ideas.

Other Activities in the SDG Winter School 2018 included:

- Sustainable and Inclusive Communities: FRUAS, Frankfurt: Simulation of Barrier-Free Environments
 - WEEK OF LINKS; University of Tubingen: Student Initiative for Sustainable Development
 - Exhibition: Afro-Mobitecture: KNUST Students
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