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CLIMATE CHANGE, the SDG's & AFRICA

Developing an Africa-wide Digital
Education Programme to engage
African students in tackling Climate
Change and the SDGs

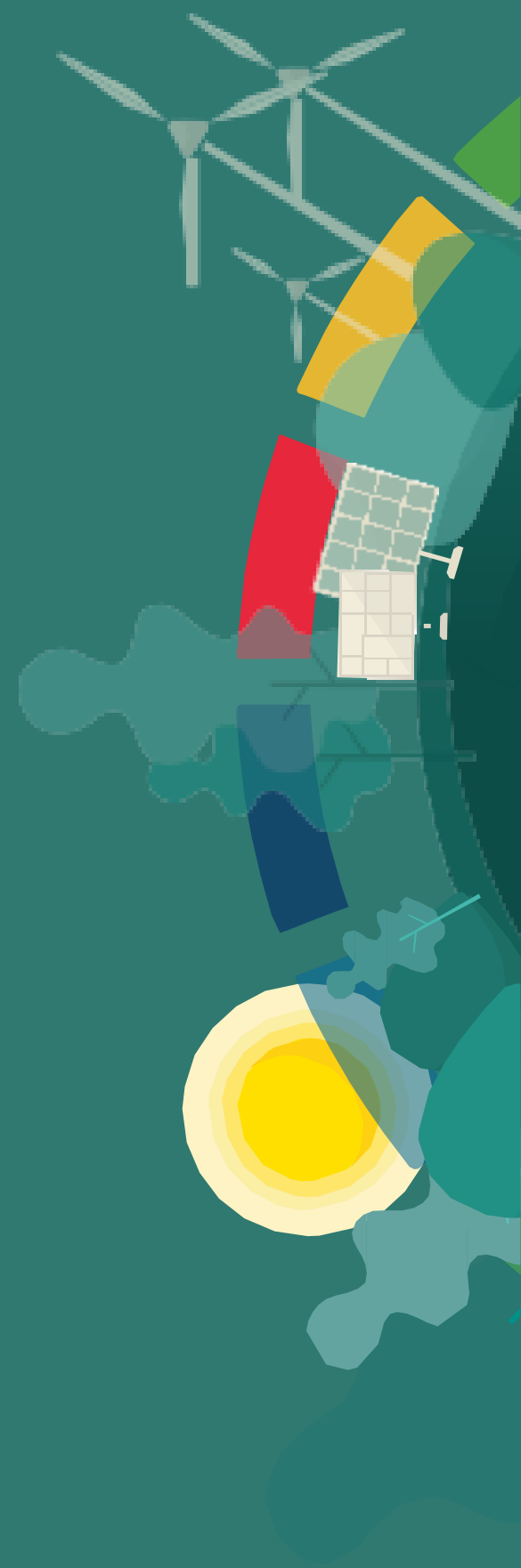




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Mission

Gaia Education is a leading provider of Sustainability Education that promotes thriving communities within planetary boundaries.



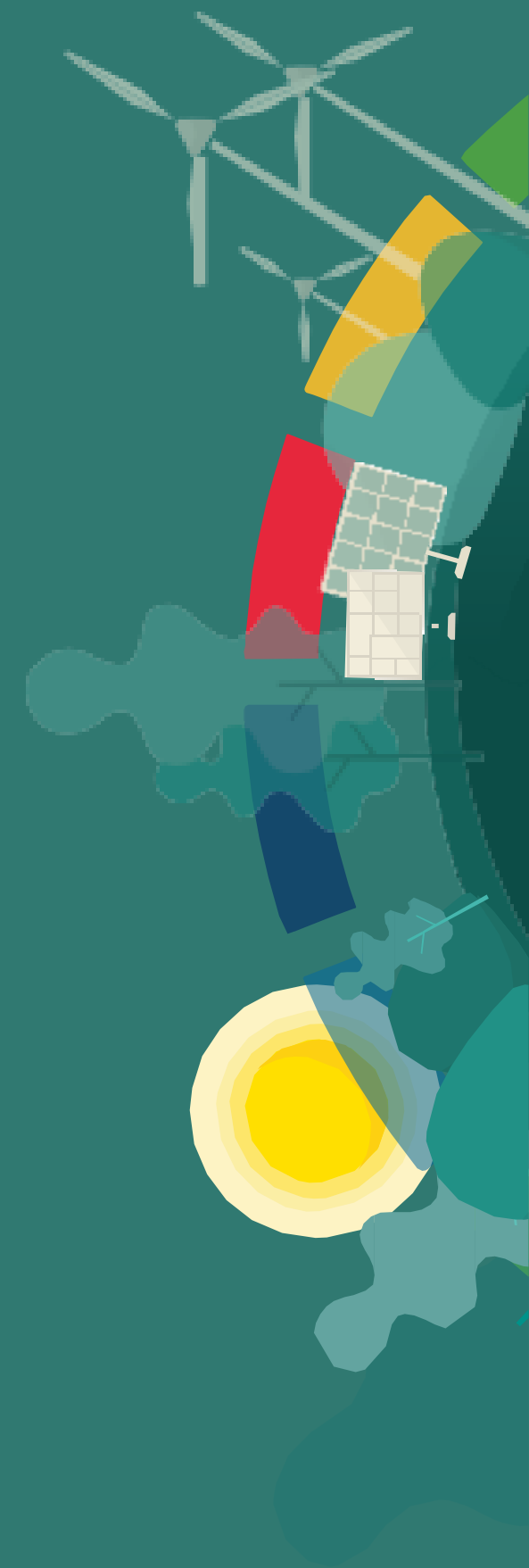


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LUXEMBOURG
PEACE PRIZE
awarding peacemakers

Outstanding Peace Education, 2022





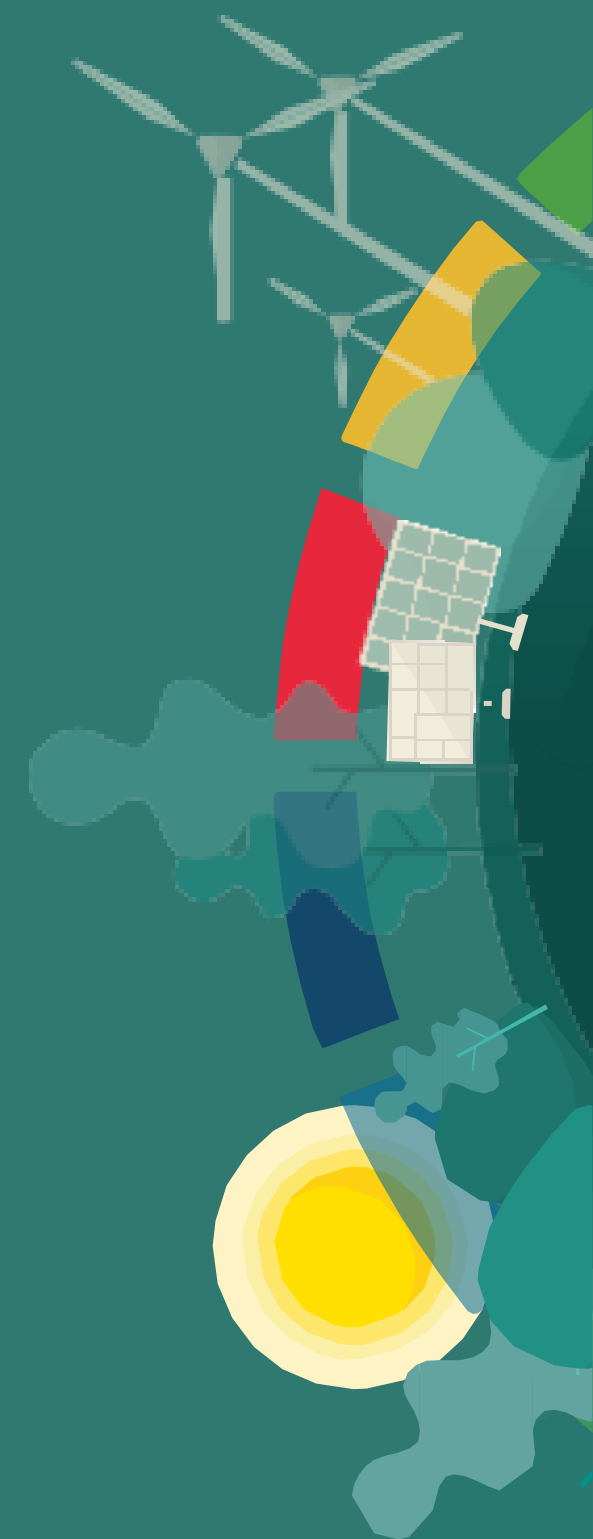
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4-D Framework

For whole
systems Design
for Sustainability



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Project Partners



Association of
African
Universities



SDG Center
for Africa



All Africa
Students'
Union



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Issue

- Africa is extremely vulnerable to climate change. Climate change was not of its own making
- Currently, many African countries stand little chance of achieving the SDG goals by 2030.



‘Can we have climate change as part of our curriculum, so that future generations can find a way to undo our mistakes?’



**11-year
old Atreyi**

Declaration at COP26:



Joint Ministerial Declaration made by Ministers of Education and Environment at COP 26 on 5th November 2021 committed to:

'The integration of sustainability and climate change in formal education systems, including as core curriculum components, in guidelines, teacher training, examination standards and at multiple levels through institutions.'

PROJECT CONCEPT



CLIMATE CHANGE, the SDG's & AFRICA

- Two or more short free digital courses on Climate Change and the SDGs
- For ALL African University students
- Designed by African universities and communities
- Students empowered as Climate Ambassadors/Change makers
- Promoting a tangible paradigm shift towards genuinely sustainable lifestyles: of students, their families, their communities, their networks

University Partners



University	Country
Pan African University	Algeria
University of Botswana	Botswana
University of Yaounde I	Cameroon
Université Felix Houphouet Boigny	Cote d'Ivoire
Ains Shams University	Egypt
Addis Ababa University	Ethiopia
University of Cape Coast	Ghana
University of Mauritius	Mauritius
University of Namibia	Namibia
Covenant University	Nigeria
University of Kwazulu-Natal	South Africa
Chinhoyi University of Technology	Zimbabwe

Examples of Projects, Networks, Courses



Join in university-
focused action with
Race to Zero



Lead SDG
Awareness raising
trainings in schools
and universities



Amplify the voice of
African youth and
train in sustainable
careers



Join the African
Ecovillage youth
association
promoting
regenerative living

Examples of Projects, Networks, Courses



Train as a female
Climate-Smart
Agriculture
specialist



Ensure African youth
participate in
international climate
change negotiations



Become an All
Africa Students'
Union SDG
Ambassador



Train in simple
Renewable Energy
technology for the
benefit of your
community



Message from SDG Center for Africa

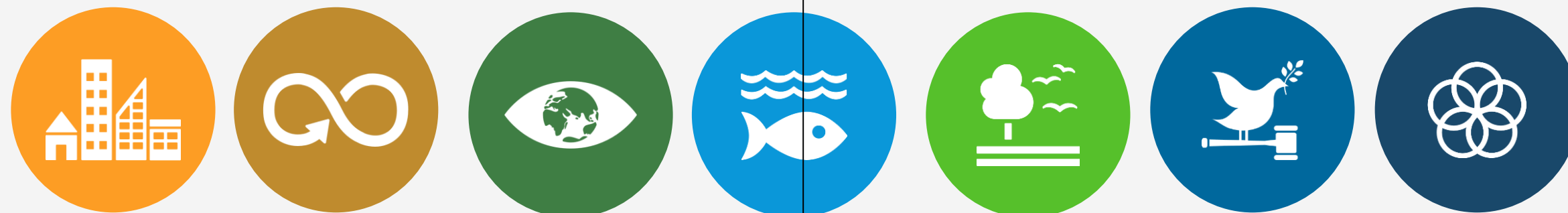


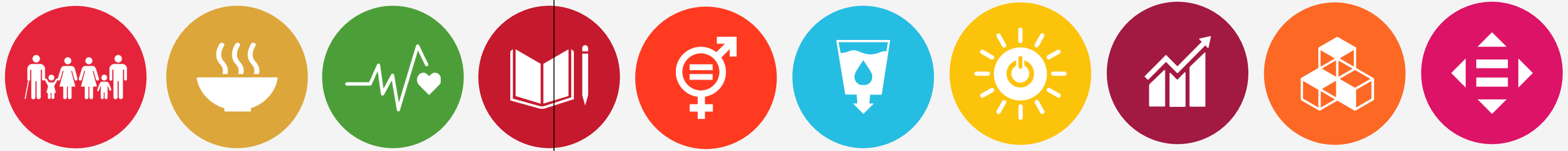
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Progress so far

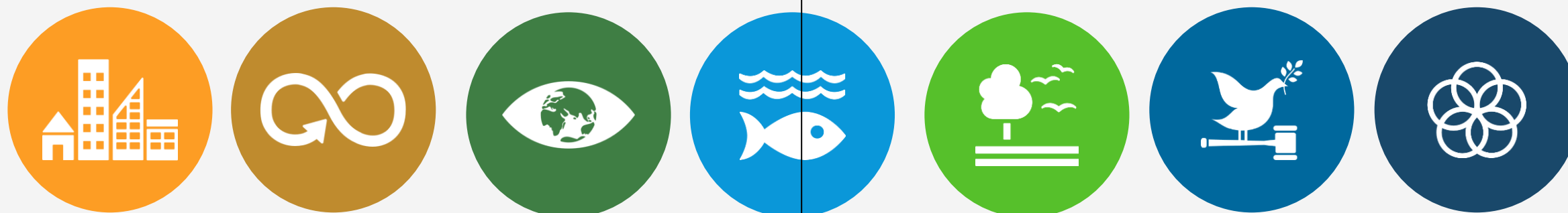
- Concept Paper and Goal co-developed
- Pan-African networks associated
- African 'Champion' universities selected to co-create course content
- AASU surveying student feedback on concept and potential input.
- Timeline agreed for implementation in 2023





Next steps

- Secure **funding** for pilot phase to reach 100,000 university students
- African 'Champion' universities co-create free online course content
- Pilot courses rolled out in 2023
- Monitor, Learn Lessons, Adapt
- Secure **additional funding** to roll out to 1 million in 2023-4
- Post-2024 – let's go for all 20 million!



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event!
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information



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