

Meeting No. 1 of the Council of the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network)

Venue: Main Building of Jusup Balasagyn Kyrgyz National University

Date: 3 July 2025

Start Time: 14:00

Chairperson: Professor Kudaiberdi Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University

Secretary: Abdygany Abduvaliev, Associate Professor at Osh State University

Participants: Rectors and representatives of higher education institutions (21 participants)

Agenda

1. Report on the Progress Made in Establishing the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network).

Presenter: Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University.

2. Approval of the Composition of the GDU Network Council.

University rectors are invited to propose candidates for inclusion in the Network Council.

3. Approval of the Regulations on the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic “Green and Digital Universities.”

4. Approval of the GDU Network Council Work Plan for the 2025–2026 Academic Year.

Presenter: Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University.

5. Election of the Chairperson of the GDU Network Council.

6. Any Other Business.

Item 1. Report on the Progress Made in Establishing the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network)

Presenter: Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University

The GREENKG project, “*Green and Digital Universities for Sustainable Development of Kyrgyzstan*,” includes the establishment of the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of Kyrgyzstan, known as the *Green and Digital Universities Network (GDU Network)*, in its work plan.

Considerable work has been undertaken to establish this national network. In March 2025, Osh State University (OshSU) developed draft documents for the establishment of the Network, including the Network Agreement and the Regulations, which were submitted for discussion. All project partners contributed proposals to the draft documents and coordinated them with their respective university administrations.

To formalize the establishment of the Network, Osh State University organized an International Scientific and Practical Conference entitled “*Establishing the National GDU Network: Objectives and Implementation Pathways*” on 15–16 May 2025. One month prior to the conference, a dedicated website was launched and an information letter announcing the conference was circulated.

The conference brought together representatives of higher education institutions from Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Germany and Lithuania, as well as experts, members of the academic community and representatives of government institutions.

Over the two days, participants discussed the current progress of the GREENKG project, “*Green and Digital Universities for Sustainable Development of Kyrgyzstan*,” as well as the Agreement on the Establishment of the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic, “*Green and Digital Universities*.”

Dozens of presentations related to the project were delivered during the plenary and parallel sessions. Participants were introduced to various aspects of digital transformation in education, education quality, sustainable development principles and environmental responsibility. The internal procedures for establishing the GDU Network, along with its legal, financial and administrative aspects, were also discussed.

In addition, participants learned about international experience in implementing green initiatives and visited modern technology facilities at Osh State University, including the Next Generation HUB, the Robotics Centre and the Satellite Analysis Centre.

Following the incorporation of amendments and additions, the Agreement on the Establishment of the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic, “*Green and Digital Universities*,” was approved by the authorized representatives of the ten participating universities. The Agreement was signed by all university rectors. Today, we will hold an official ceremony for the mutual exchange of the signed agreements.

Furthermore, the official website of the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan has been launched:

<https://gdunetwork.oshsu.kg/en/>

As a result of the above-mentioned efforts, a consortium of higher education institutions has been established under the name of the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network).

Having heard and discussed the report by Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University, on the work carried out to establish the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network), the rectors and representatives of the participating universities **RESOLVED:**

1. To take note of the report by Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University, on the work carried out to establish the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network).
2. To endorse the work carried out by the Osh State University working group to establish the Network.

Item 2. Approval of the Composition of the GDU Network Council

(University rectors propose candidates for membership in the Council)

In accordance with the Agreement on the Establishment of the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic, “Green and Digital Universities,” and taking into account the proposals submitted by university rectors, the following composition of the Council of the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network) was approved:

1. **Akylbek Mukaevich Kylychev** – Rector of the K. Dikambaev Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic (DA MFA KR).
2. **Kudaiberdi Gaparalievich Kozhobekov** – Rector of Osh State University (OshSU).
3. **Aigul Tolokovna Abdraeva** – Rector of I. Arabaev Kyrgyz State University (KSU).
4. **Mirlan Koichubekovich Chynybaev** – Rector of I. Razzakov Kyrgyz State Technical University (KSTU).
5. **Indira Orozobaevna Kudaibergenova** – Rector of I.K. Akhunbaev Kyrgyz State Medical Academy (KSMA).
6. **Mirlan Muktarovich Dylдав** – Rector of K. Karasaev Bishkek State University (BSU).
7. **Stalbek Mederovich Akhunbaev** – Rector of the International Higher School of Medicine (IHSM).
8. **A. I. Imanbaev** – Rector of K. Tynystanov Issyk-Kul State University (IKSU).
9. **Khairiddin Rakhmanalievich Tairov** – Acting Rector of Batken State University (BatSU).
10. **Tilek Isabekov** – Rector of S. Naamatov Naryn State University (NSU), as identified in the published announcement of his appointment.
11. **Zhanara Abdylдаevna Baitugolova** – Vice-Rector of the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic.
12. **Abdygany Osmonovich Abduvaliev** – Associate Professor at Osh State University.
13. **Gulnara Jamalbekovna Kabaeva** – Head of Department at Kyrgyz State Technical University.
14. **Gulnaz Tazhibaevna Zhalilova** – Vice-Rector of Kyrgyz State University.
15. **Makhabat Kerimbekovna Karagulova** – Head of the International Relations Department at the International Higher School of Medicine.
16. **Elegiya Toktonalievna Bokoeva** – Dean of the Faculty of Ecology and Management at Bishkek State University.
17. **Turnisa Bakhriddinovna Yusupova** – Head of the International Relations Department at Kyrgyz State Medical Academy.
18. **Indira Zhekshe naliyeva Imanakunova** – Head of the International Relations Department at Issyk-Kul State University.
19. **Ermek Muratkanovich Baibagyshov** – Associate Professor at Naryn State University.
20. **Isa Murzaparovich Usonov** – Head of the Department of International Relations and Academic Mobility at Batken State University.
21. **Zilola Bakhtiyarzhanovna Rakhimova** – Chief Specialist of the Department of International Relations at Osh State University.

Item 3. Approval of the Regulations on the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic “Green and Digital Universities”

Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University, familiarized the Council members with the draft Regulations on the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic “Green and Digital Universities,” developed by Osh State University.

The draft Regulations consist of six sections:

1. General Provisions;
2. Goals and Objectives of the Network;
3. Membership and Partnership;
4. Organizational Structure;
5. Financing of the Network's Activities;
6. Legal Status and Jurisdiction.

Following the discussion of this item, the GDU Network Council **RESOLVED:**

1. To approve the Regulations on the National Network of Higher Education Institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic "Green and Digital Universities," developed by Osh State University.

Item 4. Approval of the GDU Network Council Work Plan for the 2025–2026 Academic Year

Professor K.G. Kozhobekov, Rector of Osh State University, addressed the Council on this item.

He presented the draft work plan of the GDU Network Council for the 2025–2026 academic year. The draft plan comprises five sections:

1. Organizational Development of the Network;
2. Greening of University Campuses;
3. Digitalization of Administrative Management and the Educational Process;
4. Research and Project Initiatives;
5. Information Support and Promotion of the Network.

Each section includes three to four activities aimed at ensuring the effective functioning and further development of the Network.

Following the discussion of this item, the GDU Network Council **RESOLVED:**

1. To approve the GDU Network Council Work Plan for the 2025–2026 academic year.
2. To instruct the rectors and representatives of the member universities to ensure their participation in the implementation of the activities предусмотренных in the GDU Network Council Work Plan.

Item 5. Election of the Chairperson of the GDU Network Council

Zhanara Baitugolova, GREEN.KG Project Coordinator for the Erasmus+ project "*Green and Digital Universities for Sustainable Development of Kyrgyzstan*" and Vice-Rector of the K. Dikambaev Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic, nominated Professor Aigul Tolokovna Abdraeva, Rector of I. Arabaev Kyrgyz State University, for the position of Chairperson of the GDU Network Council.

Following the vote, the GDU Network Council **RESOLVED:**

1. To elect Professor Aigul Tolokovna Abdraeva, Rector of I. Arabaev Kyrgyz State University, as Chairperson of the National Network of Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan (GDU Network).

Professor Kudaiberdi Kozhobekov, who chaired the Council meeting, congratulated Aigul Abdraeva on her election as Chairperson of the Network and wished her every success in her future work.

The newly elected Chairperson of the GDU Network Council, Aigul Abdraeva, thanked the Council members for their confidence and called on all universities to actively participate in the Network's activities.

Item 6. Any Other Business

The members of the GDU Network Council discussed challenges arising in the implementation of the goals and objectives of the Erasmus+ project "*Green and Digital Universities of Kyrgyzstan*," as well as possible solutions to these challenges.

Chairperson of the Meeting:

Professor K. Kozhobekov
Rector of Osh State University

Secretary of the Meeting:

A. Abduvaliev
Associate Professor at Osh State University