

# 2 ZERO HUNGER



## BAU AT A GLANCE

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Since its foundation in 1998, the vision of BAU has been to be a global university known for its contribution to scientific, technological, and cultural knowledge through innovative education models and research approaches that reflect international standards as well as service to society. Currently, BAU Global Network comprises of 6 universities (Istanbul, Washington D.C., Berlin, Cyprus, Batumi, Plymouth), 5 liaison offices (BAU Global Azerbaijan, Jordan, Uzbekistan, Mongolia, Pakistan) and 5 language schools.

As one of the leading universities in Türkiye, BAU aims primarily to improve the living standards of the local and global society by integrating the sustainable development goals into its corporate processes and culture, educational programs, academic research practices and stakeholder collaborations. BAU with its staff members, students and alumni is a big academic community who are raised as good global citizens committed to each other and the world around them and always act with the utmost sense of ethics and social responsibility.

## BAU WITH NUMBERS

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- 7 campuses in Istanbul
- 10 faculties, 1 conservatory, 2 vocational schools
- 40 BA programs, 153 MA programs, 24 PhD. programs
- 22 research and application centers
- 150 labs, workshops/studios, incubation centers
- 223 Erasmus partner universities, 92 world exchange partners
- 805 full-time faculty members, 526 administrative staff members
- 19.595 undergraduate students, 5.503 graduate students, 1.306 associate degree students
- 79 student clubs
- 224 externally funded projects between 2020-2022
- 340 industry partnerships & projects between 2020-2022

## BAU IN THE TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION



BAU participates in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings since 2019. According to the current rankings, BAU belongs to the **601-800 band in the World University Rankings**, the **401-600 band in the Impact Rankings** and the **251-300 band in the Young University Rankings**. Also, BAU is ranked among the **top 5 universities in Türkiye**.

The university continuously increases its standing in categories related to the UN Sustainable Development Goals. As of 2022, BAU holds the following standings in the THE Impact Rankings;

- Ranks between 101-200 in Industry Innovation, Infrastructure
- Ranks between 201-300 in Gender Equality
- Ranks between 301-400 in Reducing Inequalities
- Ranks between 301-400 in Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- Ranks between 301-400 in Sustainable Cities and Communities

The University takes the above-mentioned rankings as evaluation criteria for progress regarding its adherence and contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and will continue to report its advancement in the rankings on a yearly basis.

## ZERO HUNGER

BAU organizes many activities to raise awareness about the issue and to find possible solutions in order to serve end hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture, which are among the goals of sustainable development. Bringing together different national and international stakeholder groups and ensuring that opinions are shared in order to solve the hunger problem in the world is an important priority for Bau.

### “Sustainable Agriculture in Africa: Connecting Farmers to Markets” Webinar (4 May 2021)

The Global Policy Institute and Bay Atlantic University held another webinar within their Sustainability Series titled: Sustainable Agriculture in Africa: Connecting Farmers to Markets. The online event was held in partnership with BAU CIFAL Istanbul, and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). It emphasized SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 12 (Responsible Production and Consumption).

**Online Event**  
**Sustainable Agriculture in Africa: Connecting Farmers to Markets**

**Panelists**

- Kola Masha**  
Managing Director  
Babban Gona
- Andrew Mack**  
CEO & Founder  
Agromovil
- Dimieari Von Kemedi**  
Co-Founder & Chief  
Executive Officer, Alluvial  
Agriculture

**Moderator**

- Adam Saffer**  
CEO  
Gateway Development  
International

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021 // 12:00PM - 1:00PM (EST)**

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### “Sustainable Agriculture in Africa: Access to Finance and Investment” Webinar (27 April 2021)

The webinar was held by The Global Policy Institute and Bay Atlantic University, in collaboration with BAU, CIFAL Istanbul and The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). Agriculture has long been referred to as Africa’s greatest strength, with the potential to achieve food and nutritional security for the entire continent. However, despite contributing an average of 25% of the continent’s GDP in a rapidly growing market, it still remains under-served in many ways. While risk capital inflow in Africa has been on the rise, the agriculture sector has not kept pace. It emphasized SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 12 (Responsible Production and Consumption).

**Online Event**  
**Sustainable Agriculture in Africa: Finance and Investment**

**Panelists**

- Mezou Nwuneli**  
Managing Partner  
Sahel Capital
- Ayodeji “Deji” Balogun**  
CEO  
AFEX
- Jerry Parkes**  
CEO & Co-founder  
Injaro Investments  
Limited

**Moderator**

- Adam Saffer**  
CEO  
Gateway Development  
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**Tuesday, April 27, 2021 // 12:00PM - 1:00PM (EST)**

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## Z E R O H U N G E R

### BAU Smart Agriculture and Sustainable Food Systems Application and Research Center “Women and Cooperative” Trainings (13-14 September 2021)

The Food and Agriculture Organization of UN (FAO) and BAU held a 2-day workshop on the role of women in agriculture and cooperatives under the theme of “Local Products, Gastronomy, Women and Cooperatives”. The workshop aimed women cooperatives and their capacity building needs. Within this context, trainings were given by field experts on the following subjects: The storage of agricultural products, agricultural entrepreneurship, good practices in agriculture and how to get them across, community building and decision making, business idea development inspired by the local cuisine, creative communication techniques, and delivery of local agricultural products to the world market.



### World Food Day Youth Gathering & Food Systems Impacton (16 October 2021)

#WorldFoodDay2021 was celebrated for the second time against the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has led to the deterioration of agri-food systems, an unprecedented global economic downturn, hence a significant reduction in livelihoods and incomes, while increasing food insecurity and inequalities. BAU student clubs came together to develop new ideas and projects on environment and food systems. Food Systems Impacton emphasized the need to support the transformation to more efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agri-food systems for better production, better nutrition, a better environment and a better life, without leaving anyone behind. The event was organized by BAU, Cifal Istanbul, UNITAR and Food and Agriculture Organization of UN.

**WORLD FOOD DAY Youth Gathering Food Systems Impacton**  
16 October 2021 - BAU Future Campus

**Programme**

09.30-10.30 **Arrival to Campus**  
Welcome Concert  
Music is Food for the Soul - BAU Conservatory

10.30-10.00 **Opening**  
Prof. Dr. Erkan Sabırlı - CİFAL İstanbul ÜNİTAR Director  
Dr. Tuğba Koral Sarıhan - İGİD Director of Studies  
Dr. Aytekin Sakaç - İstanbul FAO Representative in Turkey  
Prof. Tunc Başbuğ - BAU Vice President

11.00-11.15 **Dr. İhsan Özyeşil Karadağ - BAU Sociology Department:**  
What are Smart Food Hubs?

11.30-11.35 **Prof. Tuzay Ünal Sağı - BAU Gastronomy Department:**  
Food Storage Methods and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Applications in the Food Industry

11.35-12.00 **Coffee Break**

12.00-12.10 **Phelien Kuz - FAO Business Development and Entrepreneurship Specialist:**  
Collective Entrepreneurship

12.25-12.40 **Berkhan Eyyer - Researcher for Istanbul Planning Agency İKİM-İSİG Office**

12.40-12.50 **Khalid Edeşgin, Emelhan Ertürk, İsmail Karan**  
İstanbul Urban Landmark Working Group  
Panel on "İstanbul, the Agricultural City: Shared Lives from Today to Tomorrow"

12.50-14.30 **Lunch Break**  
Concert "Music is Food for the Soul - BAU Conservatory"

14.30-16.30 **Teams Impacton**  
BAU Student Clubs

16.30 **Closing**  
Participation Certificate Ceremony and Family Photos,  
Certificate Distribution to the Participating Clubs,  
Reading the World Food Day 2021 Youth Declaration, Closing

## Z E R O H U N G E R

### Azerbaijan Agricultural Experience and Knowledge Sharing Mission Meeting (26 October 2021)

The meeting was organized by BAU, Cifal Istanbul and Food and Agriculture Organization of UN. It involved 2 sessions that included discussions on food Security, women's employment in the rural, youth entrepreneurship and youth employment in the rural.



### Soilless Agriculture Practice by the BAU Gastronomy and Culinary Arts (2021)

BAU Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Program students and academics started to grow seasonal vegetables and plants through soilless agriculture as part of BAU's sustainability agenda. The students will use the products they grow in the soilless agriculture field during their practice-based classes.

