

# 2 ZERO HUNGER



2021 - 2022

## 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
- 17.927 undergraduate students, 4.552 graduate students, 415 doctora degree students
- 80 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 801-1000 band in the World University Rankings, the 401-600 band in the Impact Rankings and the 151-200 band in the Young University Rankings 2023. 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 2023, BAU holds the following standings in the THE Impact Rankings;

- 67th in Quality Education
- 93 th in Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- Ranks between 201-300 in Gender Equality
- Ranks between 201-300 in Reducing Inequalities
- Ranks between 201-300 in Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- 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 Kenedi**  
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  
International

**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 Impaction (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 Impaction 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.





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### 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.



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### Kulakkaya Green Growth and Sustainable Development Summit (18 February 2022)

Academics, politicians, public and private sector representatives came together at the Kulakkaya Green Growth and Sustainable Development Summit and discussed the green growth model, the sustainable development goals and national harmonization strategies for the efficient use of natural resources and minimizing pollution.



### “Save Your Food” Event by the BAU Gastronomy and Culinary Arts (2022)

BAU Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts in collaboration with the Beşiktaş District Directorate of Agriculture organized an awareness and skill development activity called “Save Your Food”. The event aimed to create awareness among female mukhtars at the Beşiktaş district regarding different practices of reusing food leftovers and reduce food waste. The activity was also designed to motivate them to share their newly acquired knowledge among their communities.



## Z E R O   H U N G E R

### Local Products, Gastronomy and Cooperatives' Workshop from FAO and BAU 11.09.2021

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and Bahçeşehir University (BAU) organized a workshop on the role of young people and women in agriculture and cooperatives with the theme of 'Local Products, Gastronomy and Cooperatives'. The two-day workshop aims to include local agricultural products in the development of the country with maximum benefit, contribute to sustainable development, and deliver innovation and innovation in agriculture to family businesses.

In cooperation with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and Bahçeşehir University (BAU), a workshop was organized with the theme of 'Local Products, Gastronomy and Cooperatives' in Şeyhli District of Giresun's Piraziz district. AK Party Giresun Deputies Kadir Aydın and Cemal Öztürk, Giresun Governor Enver Ünlü, Ordu Governor Tuncay Sonel, Giresun Mayor Aytekin Şenlikoğlu, UN Advisory Board Member Enver Yücel, FAO Central Asia Sub-Regional Coordinator and Turkey Representative Viorel Gutu, United Nations Turkey Resident Coordinator Alvaro Rodriguez, members of the protocol, women's cooperatives and many guests attended.

At the event, local agricultural products will be included in the country's development with maximum benefit, contributing to sustainable development, innovation and innovation in agriculture will be delivered to family businesses, and women and young people will be informed about cooperative formation, smart agriculture practices, digital agriculture and sustainable food systems-related technologies will be actively involved in the processes. is intended to be included.

'WE WANT TO REVEAL THE ENDEMIC PLANTS OF THE BLACK SEA'

Making a statement about the workshop, UN Advisory Board Member Enver Yücel said that they started a study to reveal the endemic plants of the Black Sea.

Stating that they want to open the products grown in the region to the international arena, Yücel said, "We are establishing an area in Piraziz together with Bahçeşehir University and the United Nations Agricultural Organization. This area is a center for implementing smart agriculture that can shape the agriculture of the future. We want to reveal the endemic plants of the Black Sea, to taste the local dishes related to them, and to open the gastronomy of this region to the international arena. I think we will have achieved our goal if we can provide studies and training to our people on this subject. I hope that these studies will play important roles, especially in the employment of women. We will provide training here. We will have application areas and we will give examples to the participants on how their hand-made products can reach international markets. "Our aim is to show how the valuable plants growing in these lands can be used in agriculture and medicine in the application area of our university," he said.





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### Smart Agriculture and Sustainable Food Workshop in Giresun 22.05.2021

"Smart Agriculture and Sustainable Food Workshop" was organized in Piraziz by the Agriculture and Food Center, which was established in cooperation with Bahçeşehir University (BAU) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

BAU Global President Mr. Giresun's agricultural potential was evaluated at the workshop hosted by Enver Yücel. Innovative solutions in the agriculture and food sectors were discussed at the workshop held in Giresun's Piraziz district with the participation of representatives of women's cooperatives operating in different parts of the city.

In his speech here, Bahçeşehir Uğur Educational Institutions President Enver Yücel drew attention to the importance of agriculture for the whole world.



### BAU - FAO World Food Day 2022 – “Leave No One Behind” Sustainable Farm Project Competition

How would you like to shape the future with the “sustainable farm” project you designed together with your team in the Leave No One Behind Sustainable Farm Project Competition, which will be held within the scope of BAU-FAO World Food Day 2022 in partnership with FAO, CIFAL Istanbul, BAU SÜGAM, BAU Dean of Students and CIFAL Istanbul Youth Platform.

