

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURE CLUB

Environment and Nature Club (ENC) of Centre for Foundation Studies IIUM (CFS IIUM) is a compromising group of motivated students of Centre for Foundation Studies, which aims to promote and work towards the conservation and sustainability of our environment. In this club, we believe that it is our duty as Allah's servant to acknowledge the environment, both flora and fauna for it is a gift in which Allah S.W.T has bestowed upon humankind and therefore makes us responsible in managing it.

As we are moving forward, the main objective of our club is to spread the awareness among students in CFS IIUM concerning environmental issues along with the steps that we can take in order to preserve our home. Whilst, the vision of this club is "save nature, save future". This vision may turn into reality through a highly responsible society with the awareness of our current nature condition nowadays. Due to that, our assigned mission is to nurture an environmentally responsible society in this Gambang campus through effective environmental educations. In order to achieve our objective, our club's watchwords are responsibility, honesty and dedication to maintain ecosystem stability and zero-waste free in our beloved Gambang campus.

One of the effective programs that we organized is a forum "A Better Tomorrow". The panel of this forum are the specialist in sustainability projects in IIUM. This forum was organized with an objective to expose all students and staffs regarding the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) program that was introduced by International Islamic University Malaysia last year and how to implement it in our daily life at Gambang campus specifically. At the end of this program, the participants managed to have a better vision and some ideas on how to conserve the nature around us, especially at the campus.



Apart from that, our club has also conducted two projects which aligned to the one of the CFS main programs, the Sustainable Development Goals. The two

projects are “We, You and Recycle” and the “Mini Park”. We, You and Recycle is a project that focuses on the 3R concept, reuse, reduce and recycle. Our club took an initiative to provide the recycling spot around the IIUM campus, which then was surprisingly supported by the CFS management and thankfully, through their help, our club managed to provide 10 recycling spots around the campus. While the second project, Mini Park, was also supported by the CFS administration. CFS IIUM provided us a place to execute our project. As the project runs, the CFS community give very delightful responses on how much they like the idea of the project, hence, shows that the objective of this project, which is to nurture the love of nature among the CFS students, is successfully attained.

Furthermore, ENC also tries to reach outside CFS IIUM by holding a community service program at the Pantai Sepat, Pahang. Through this program, the participants get the chance to contribute to the society by cleaning the beach of Pantai Sepat, Pahang and at the same time appreciating the beauty of the beach itself. Participants also get to visit one of the schools in Kuantan which is SMK Sg. Soi that actively practices the recycle campaign and conducts many projects relating to a sustainable future at their school. This school is one of the best examples for benchmarking for us to conduct future environmental projects.

Beside organizing our own programs, we also contribute to some of the grand programs in CFS. We managed to set up our environment and nature exhibition during the Merdeka Festival and also CFS Festival, both conducted by the Student Community Council (SCC) of CFS. These exhibitions received positive responses among the CFS community and our aim to spread the awareness is considered thoroughly encouraging. Due to our initiatives to gain our own money, we sold some items that can encourage the students to practice the 3R concept in their daily life during the exhibitions, such as metal straw. As we gain profit, we could increase our performance in conducting our programs. During the CFS Festival, we also contributed by selling few foods which are chocolate cake, salad and few more other than holding the exhibition. In addition to that, our publication and promotion (PubPro) team is involved in making infographics for one of the SDG campaigns which is smoke free campus. We also published a website regarding our club and infos regarding the current issues of our environment and nature. Do check our website here <https://encfsiium.wixsite.com/encfsiium>.

In conclusion, despite many challenges, ENC family is happy to have this opportunity to conduct successful and meaningful programs. We are hoping that this meaningful journey shall not end. The journey to educate ourselves and the CFS community to always appreciate the nature and how to preserve it wherever we are. This is not just about being an ENC member, but in order to become a better khalifah in the eyes of Allah. Together we grab this chance to various our ibadah for the sake of mardhatillah. We're very looking forward to the next ENC Members and

Committees to continue this club's legacy in the future and spread more awareness not just among all the CFS Students but also to all the CFS Staffs and also publics.