



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)



NATURE POSITIVE
UNIVERSITIES

Between

Providence Women's College, Kozhikode 673009, Kerala, India

And

Nature Positive Universities, Department of Biology, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

This agreement is made on this 12th day of June 2022, by and between Providence Women's College (Reaccredited with 'A+' Grade by NAAC), Kozhikode, Kerala, India, and Nature Positive Universities, Department of Biology, Oxford, United Kingdom

Areas of consensus:

This understanding is with an agreement to the following:

- Take a pledge on behalf of the institution, include academic ideas for nature positive initiatives
- Commitment to a Nature Positive journey
- Exchange of invitations for participation in conferences, symposia and seminars.
- Appointment of Student Ambassadors to assist with Nature Positive initiatives on campus.

Responsibilities of the Institutions:

- Nature Positive Universities will provide support and share guidance on the aspects of the Pledge (Baseline, Targets, Actions and Reporting) and will disseminate publicity regarding the Pledge and activities made by Providence Women's College and the wider community of universities within the Nature Positive Universities network.
- Providence will take the steps of the Nature Positive Pledge (Baseline, Targets, Actions & Reporting).

This MoU is effective from the date this MoU is signed (12th June 2022) and will be valid for a period of 5 years, and can be extended upon mutual consent.

This Academic MoU will be executed by their duly authorized representatives, in the two countries, as follows,

Representative Coordinators

For and behalf on

Providence Women's College Kerala, India: Dr Mino Divakaran Professor, Dept of Botany

For and behalf on

Nature Positive Universities Initiative, University of Oxford

Emily Stott, Research Coordinator, Department of Biology

12.06.2022





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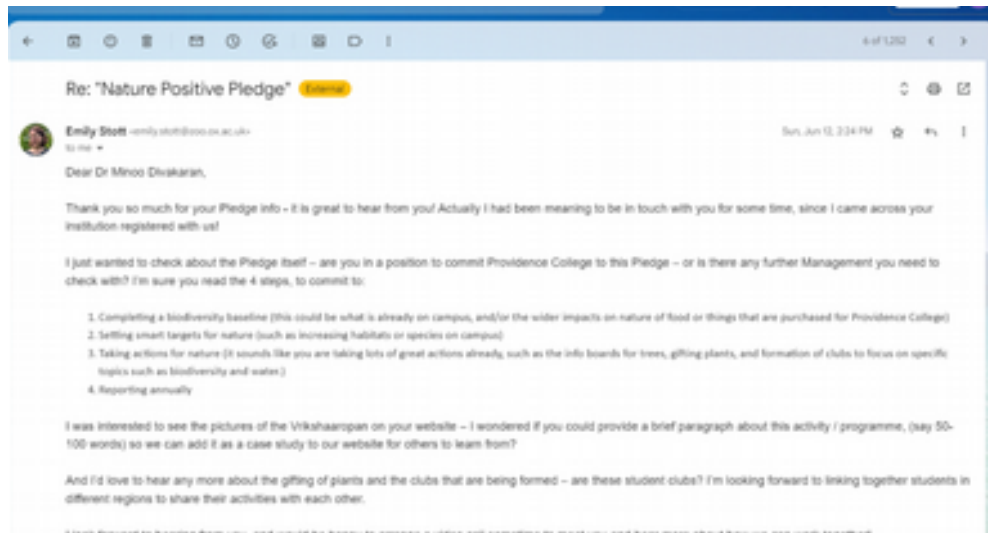
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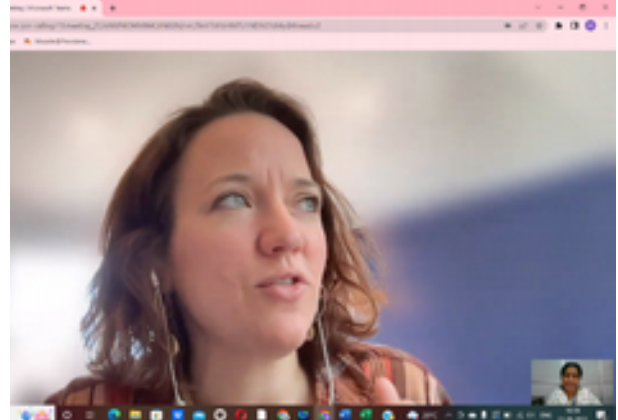
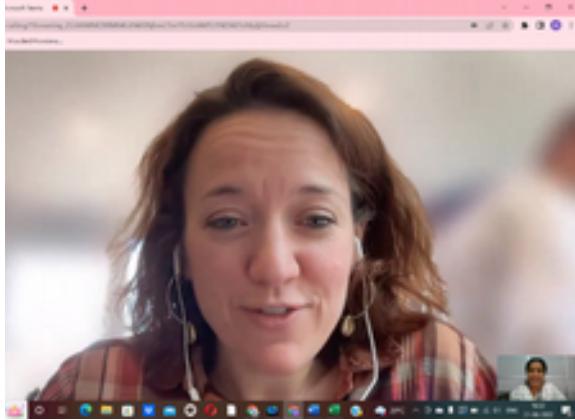
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NATURE POSITIVE UNIVERSITIES INITIATIVE,
JUNE 2022

In association with University of Oxford, UK



CONFIRMATION OF COLLABORATING WITH THE INITIATIVE , JUNE 2022





ONLINE MEETING WITH DR EMILY STOTT, JUNE 20

Formation of the Student Ambassadors Group

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Dear Ambassadors,

Happy Diwali to all our Indian Nature Positive Student Ambassadors! We'd love to hear about any Diwali related activities you may have been involved with from a sustainability or Nature Positive perspective! 🌞🌿

Please find attached the pdf document summarising the programme, which hopefully you've seen already when you signed up! We have adjusted our programme slightly with regards to the meetings schedule, while we build out the initiative. We will let you know when we set the date for our next meeting, with speakers to be confirmed. But in the meantime we'd love to help you get started with some actions! (For your info, I will circulate the recording of the FAO food event I sent around last week – sorry it was extremely last minute)

For reference, you can find the presentation slides from our initial Ambassadors meeting at the link [here](#). We had attendees join us from Cameroon, China, Democratic Republic of Congo, Finland, Haiti, India, Kenya, Nigeria, Pakistan, Uganda and the United Kingdom. Here are a selection of actions that were discussed in addition to the suggestions mentioned in the slides:

- 📄 Petitions to their university canteen to promote lower-impact vegetarian options
- 🗑️ A pub-crawl litter pick to encourage a wider range of students to join in with activities for nature
- 🍽️ A university canteen weighing student's food waste to highlight responsible portion sizes
- 🌱 A student-run gardening club on campus planning to collect acorns and create a nursery of saplings
- 🚲 Clean-up actions and celebration of zero emissions day with promotion of biogas and electric vehicles
- 📝 An environmentally themed quiz to raise awareness of environmental issues in an informal setting
- 📷 A photography competition amongst students highlighting nature on campus

We have a couple of requests for the next few weeks as we build up the NPU Student Ambassador scheme. As our first cohort, we'd love to have your input in shaping our

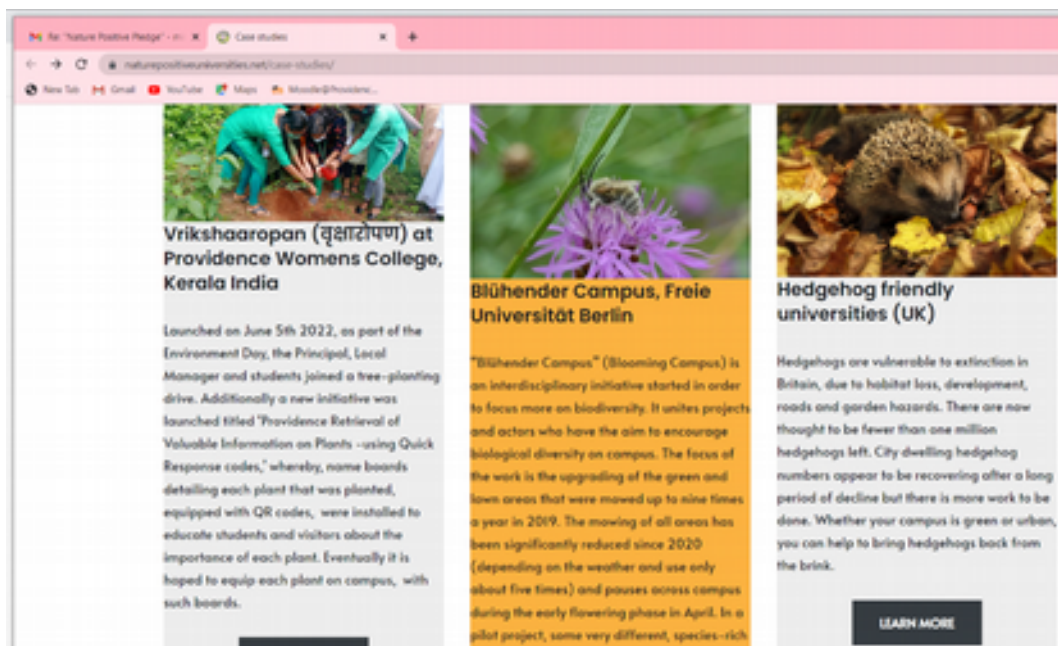




**COLLABORATORS
MARKED ON THE
GLOBAL MAP**

**CASE STUDIES OF INSTITUTIONS COLLABORATING WITH THE NATURE
POSTIVE UNIVERSITITES INITIATIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**

Link to the activities of Providence : <https://naturepositiveuniversities.net/case-studies/>



FACULTY PARTICIPATION AT THE GLOBAL SUMMIT, JULY 2022



YEA! Global Summit
NATURE POSITIVE UNIVERSITIES
10:00 AM - 16:00 PM (UTC) - 5TH JULY

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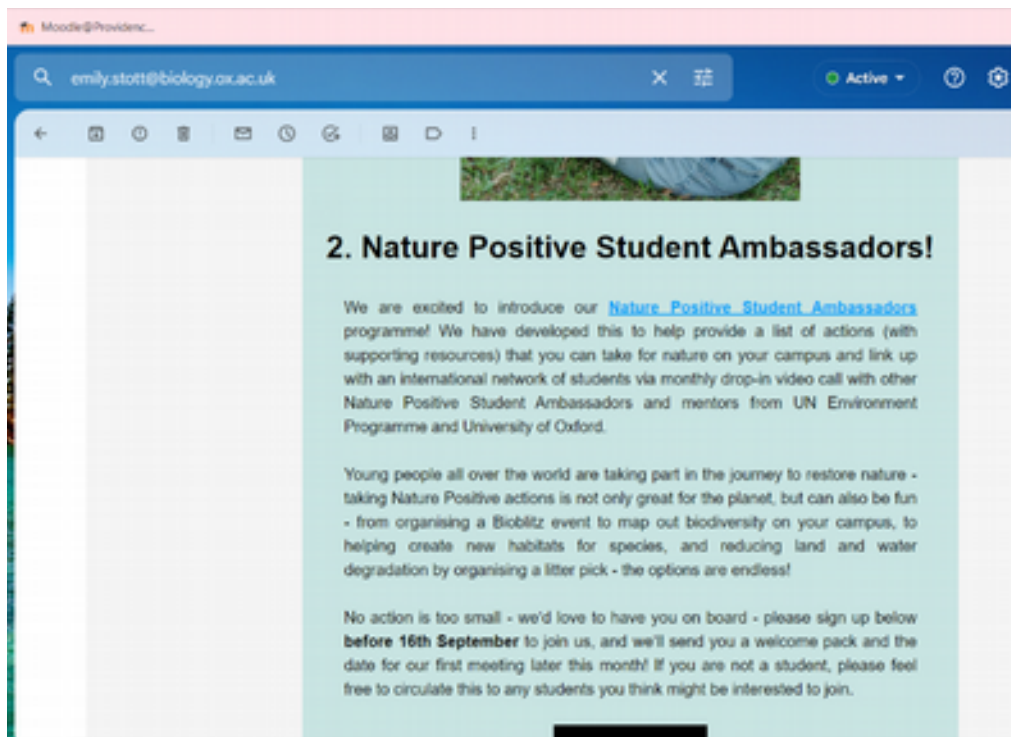
LINDA NOWLAN
Senior Director of Sustainability Hub, University of British Columbia, Canada

JOE BULL
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INCLUSION OF STUDENTS AS 'STUDENT AMBASSADORS'

link for Student ambassadors : <https://naturepositiveuniversities.net/student-ambassador-sign-up/>



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2. Nature Positive Student Ambassadors!

We are excited to introduce our [Nature Positive Student Ambassadors](#) programme! We have developed this to help provide a list of actions (with supporting resources) that you can take for nature on your campus and link up with an international network of students via monthly drop-in video call with other Nature Positive Student Ambassadors and mentors from UN Environment Programme and University of Oxford.

Young people all over the world are taking part in the journey to restore nature - taking Nature Positive actions is not only great for the planet, but can also be fun - from organising a Bioblitz event to map out biodiversity on your campus, to helping create new habitats for species, and reducing land and water degradation by organising a litter pick - the options are endless!

No action is too small - we'd love to have you on board - please sign up below **before 16th September** to join us, and we'll send you a welcome pack and the date for our first meeting later this month! If you are not a student, please feel free to circulate this to any students you think might be interested to join.




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