



ECR Training Academy for Sustainable Futures – a partnership between the Sustainability Spotlight @Warwick and IDD @ADA University

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Our journey so far: the Sustainability Spotlight @Warwick

✓ Institute for Global Sustainable Development:

- ❖ ECR Sustainability Training Schools 2022; 2023
- ❖ Prior to that UPTAKE TS (2014-16); COMPASS TS (2017-22)

✓ Warwick Sustainability Spotlight to sustain life, from a planetary perspective: 2000+network

- ❖ Institute of Global Sustainable Development (IGSD), Elena Korosteleva & Chair
- ❖ Environmental Humanities Network (EHN), Nicholas Lawrence
- ❖ Sustainable Societies & Innovation (WBS), Giuliana Battisti
- ❖ Warwick Environmental Systems Interdisciplinary Centre (WESIC), Gary Bending
- ❖ Sustainable Critical Materials (WMG), Stuart Coles

✓ Global Research Partnerships and Policy Networks (e.g. UN SDSN UK; Peers 4 Planet; the GUILD-EU)



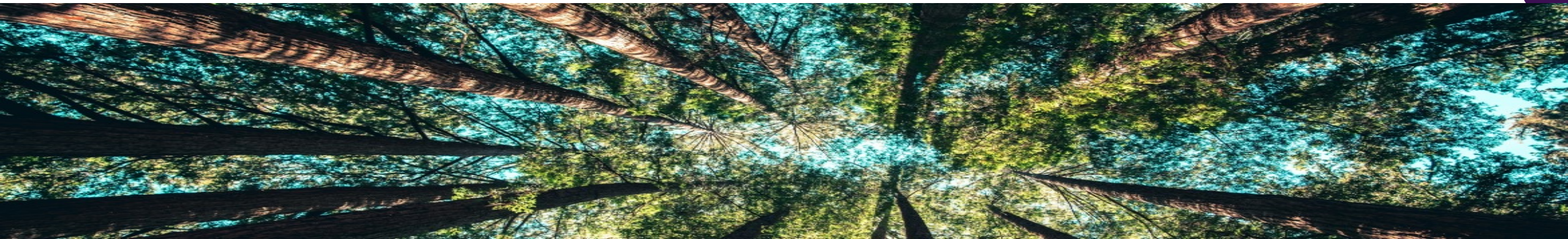
Our journey so far: Warwick's Sustainability Spotlight (continued)

✓ Key objectives:

- ❖ to foster an **inclusive** & dynamic **single information** and **communication space**
- ❖ to nurture global **ECR community** with bespoke training opportunities for creativity
- ❖ to forge best practice synergies with and **impact** on businesses, government, and civil society
- ❖ to promote Warwick's global leadership in the field innovation and sustainability

✓ Cross-cutting research initiatives:

- **COLAB1:** Mapping & visualising our sustainability connections
- **COLAB2:** Large funding bids & synergy-building
- **COLAB3:** global ECR community-building
- **COLAB4:** Impact & visibility
- **COLAB5:** the **ROAD to COP30** **NEXUS** climate action network



Our journey so far: Institute for Development & Diplomacy (IDD), ADA University

[ADA University](#) (formerly Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy) was established in January 2014. It has grown to host 7 Schools, with nearly 4000 students, and 2500 alumni from 48 countries.

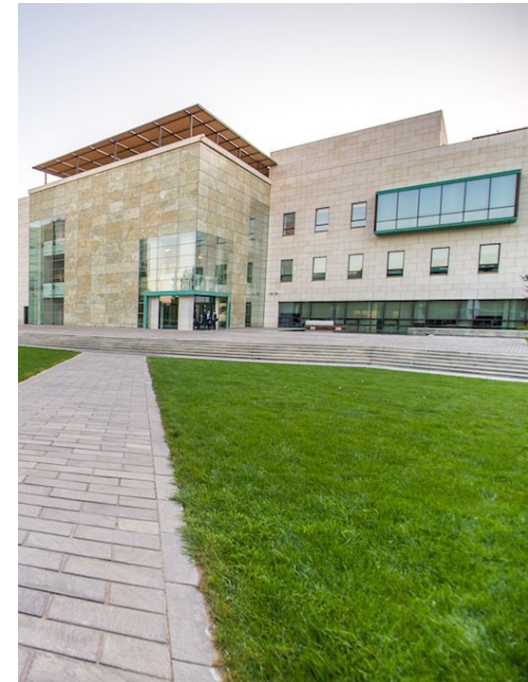
The [Institute for Development and Diplomacy](#) (IDD) was launched in 2022 to deepen engagement and impact on all-level communities of practice. IDD is a hub for policy-focused, interdisciplinary research and policy outputs, as well as a focal point for higher-level conferences, and roundtables.

IDD set up learning and research programmes with a focus on:

- Executive Education
- Energy and Sustainable Development
- Centre for Excellence in EU studies
- Return to Karabakh: survey and development

It offers a vast range of activities and outputs:

- [Policy research, analysis, and publications](#)
- [Baku Dialogues](#) – a policy perspectives journal on the Silk Road region
- [#IDD Talks](#) – a series of higher-level engagements and podcasts
- [COP29 Scientific Council leadership](#)



ECR Training Academy for Sustainable Futures

ECR TASF 'A Flying Faculty': 30 March – 5 April 2024, Venice

- 20 global ECRs supervised by a training team of global researchers
- Individual research projects
- Critical concepts
- Innovative methodologies
- Creative skills
- Group projects & prizes: focus on Venice and its ecological challenges

Place-based research and education centres: LANKARAN Training Centre (time- TBC)

- Setting up a physical presence in the region
- Developing a bespoke programme for all-level stakeholders (farmers, local government, youth, businesses etc)
- Consolidating results and showcasing them across the country, for best practice exchange and learning
- Presenting results at the annual Sustainability Forum at Warwick – 3 July 2025

Setting similar bespoke training and learning initiatives across the globe:

- Working in partnership with e.g. IAIS, Uzbekistan
- Our global partners to develop **communities of practice** (COP)
- Presenting global practice at COP30

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