"Sustainable development is development that meets today’s needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

Background
According to Strategy 2030, all KI activities should be guided by and contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Agenda 2030. In order to achieve this, a structured approach is needed. A project team has been established by University Management and is led by Annika Östman Wernerson.

In his preface to Strategy 2030, KI President Ole Petter Ottersen stated that: “These goals concern us all and show us that health must be viewed in a broad context.”

Specific aims of the project
- Employees are aware of the Sustainable Development Goals and how KI may contribute to reach these goals.
- Research is inspired by and contribute to the realisation of the SDGs.
- Review of the links between the intended learning outcomes of courses and programs and SDGs lead to an action plan.
- Develop conditions for long-term global and local impact by mapping internal collaboration initiatives.
- Maintain and develop networks to support our work with sustainable development, medicine and health.

Purpose and overarching aim
The project aims to create coherence, so that the entire university is involved in the work of striving to meet the SDGs as described in Agenda 2030. The aim is thus to take heed of already on-going activities and engagements among employees and students, as well as to contribute to KI developing an increasingly clear profile regarding sustainable development.

Implementation
Activities within the project include developing a web-based course for employees, arranging a research conference, mapping current level of knowledge, developing a climate strategy, developing a plan for how SDGs can be included and followed up in research grant proposals, partnerships with external organizations and universities.

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