

# UTokyo and Gender Equality and SDGs



## The Sustainable Development Agenda

On 1 January 2016, the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development — adopted by world leaders in September 2015 at an historic UN Summit — officially came into force. Over the next fifteen years, with these new Goals that universally apply to all, countries will mobilize efforts to end all forms of poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change, while ensuring that no one is left behind.

The SDGs build on the success of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and aim to go further to end all forms of poverty. The new Goals are unique in that they call for action by all countries, poor, rich and middle-income to promote prosperity while protecting the planet. They recognize that ending poverty must go hand-in-hand with strategies that build economic growth and addresses a range of social needs including education, health, social protection, and job opportunities, while tackling climate change and environmental protection.

from the HomePage of the United Nations  
<http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/development-agenda/#>

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The University of Tokyo is committed to "the highest standards for education and research in the world," as described in The University of Tokyo Charter. Outlined in the charter are 17 SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals), and there are a variety of ways to work towards achieving them. Support of gender equality initiatives is one such way.

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