

Fairtrade Working Partnership – Commitment of Intent


The University of Liverpool and Liverpool Guild of Students have formed a dedicated Partnership to achieve Fairtrade accreditation within the 2023-2025 cohort as part of SOS-UK's Fairtrade University and College Award. On this journey, we will strive to work towards the accreditation status whilst considering all aspects of university operations including: Leadership & Strategy, Research & Curriculum, Procurement & Catering as well as Campaigning & Influencing to ensure that they are all aligned with the Fairtrade values.

This work and accreditation directly supports the University of Liverpool's Sustainable Food Policy where we have committed to offering our staff, students and visitors 'the right products, in the right places at the right times' whilst ensuring sustainable practices are maintained.

A key pillar in our Sustainable Food Policy is Social Responsibility, where we recognise the importance of responsible procurement, production and consumption. Supporting, purchasing and selling Fairtrade products provides us with the assurance that the product was produced in a sustainable way considering the working conditions, pricing and terms of trade for farmers and workers. Achieving Fairtrade accreditation contributes directly to the adherence of this policy and our vision for offering the right products to our users.

Additionally, adopting Fairtrade directly supports the following UN Sustainable Development Goals; SDG 1: No Poverty, SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth, SDG 12: Responsible Consumption & Production.

The above statement was compiled by both the University of Liverpool and Liverpool Guild of Students and is endorsed by both partners.

Signed by:  University of Liverpool (Nicola Davies, Chief Financial Officer)

And  Liverpool Guild of Students (Holly Thompson, Guild President)