



Environmental Action Plan and School Practices

Academic Year 2025–2026

Colegiul Economic “Mihail Kogălniceanu”, Focșani, Romania

1. Purpose

The Environmental Action Plan aims to strengthen environmental responsibility within the school community by promoting sustainable practices, improving resource efficiency, reducing environmental impact, and increasing students’ awareness of climate change and sustainable development. The plan supports the priorities of the Erasmus+ Programme, the European Green Deal, and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

2. Objectives

During the 2025–2026 academic year, the school will:

- Reduce electricity, water, and paper consumption.
- Promote recycling and responsible waste management.
- Encourage environmentally friendly behaviour among students and staff.
- Increase environmental awareness through educational activities.
- Improve the school’s green spaces.
- Support active participation in local and European environmental initiatives.

3. Environmental Actions

Objective	Activity	Responsible	Timeline	Expected Outcome
Energy Efficiency	Monitor monthly electricity and heating consumption	School Management, Administrative Staff	Monthly	5% reduction in energy use



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Energy Saving	Replace unnecessary lighting with LED lamps where possible	Administration	Throughout the year	Lower electricity consumption
Water Conservation	Install awareness posters and encourage responsible water use	Teachers, Eco Club	September – June	Reduced water waste
Waste Management	Separate collection of paper, plastic and batteries	Eco Committee	Continuous	Increased recycling rate
Paper Reduction	Encourage digital assignments and electronic communication	Teachers	Continuous	Reduced paper consumption
Biodiversity	Plant trees, flowers and maintain school green areas	Students, Teachers	Spring 2026	Improved biodiversity
Sustainable Mobility	Promote walking, cycling and	School Community	European Mobility Week &	Reduced carbon footprint



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Environmental Education	public transport		throughout the year	
	Organise workshops, debates and Eco Days	Erasmus+ Team	Throughout the year	Improved environmental awareness

4. School Environmental Practices

Throughout the academic year, the school will implement the following good practices:

- Switching off lights, computers and projectors after lessons.
- Using natural daylight whenever possible.
- Reducing unnecessary printing and photocopying.
- Using reusable bottles and containers instead of single-use plastics.
- Recycling paper, plastic, glass and batteries.
- Saving water by reporting leaks immediately.
- Maintaining clean classrooms and outdoor spaces.
- Participating in environmental campaigns and volunteer activities.
- Encouraging digital learning materials.
- Purchasing environmentally friendly products whenever possible.

5. Student Involvement

Students will actively participate by:

- Joining the Eco Club.
- Monitoring classroom energy consumption.
- Organising recycling campaigns.
- Celebrating Earth Day, World Environment Day and European Mobility Week.
- Participating in Erasmus+ environmental activities.



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- Creating posters and digital awareness campaigns.
- Supporting tree planting and school greening activities.

6. Monitoring and Evaluation

The Environmental Action Plan will be monitored by the School Management Team, the Erasmus+ Coordinator and the Eco Committee.

The following indicators will be reviewed twice during the academic year:

- Electricity consumption (kWh)
- Water consumption (m³)
- Paper consumption
- Quantity of recycled waste
- Number of environmental activities organised
- Number of participating students and teachers
- Improvement of school green areas

An annual evaluation report will be prepared in June 2026, summarising achievements, challenges and recommendations for the following school year.

7. Expected Results

By the end of the 2025–2026 academic year, Colegiul Economic “Mihail Kogălniceanu” aims to:

- Reduce electricity consumption by approximately 5%.
- Reduce paper use through digitalisation.
- Increase recycling participation among students and staff.
- Improve environmental awareness across the school community.
- Enhance the quality of school green spaces.
- Strengthen students’ environmental competencies in accordance with Erasmus+ priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals.

This Environmental Action Plan demonstrates the school’s commitment to sustainability, responsible resource management and environmental education, contributing to a greener, healthier and more resilient learning environment.



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