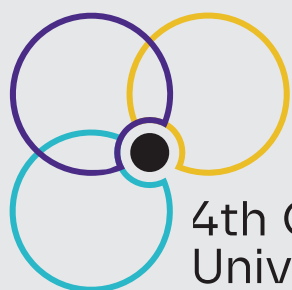




Orchestrating Innovation Ecosystems

Join the 4th
Generation University
Global Community

4th Generation University is an emerging concept that champions an integrated approach to education, research and innovation, with a strong focus on societal impact and regional development. Central to this idea is that globally-oriented universities embrace local innovation with the aim of tackling systemic challenges and driving regional economic growth.



4th Generation
University



4th Generation University *Community Mission*

In an era where collaboration and connection are essential for driving innovation and addressing the grand challenges of our time, universities around the globe are stepping up to strengthen ties within their regions, fostering trustworthy partnerships that deliver meaningful impact in their communities.

The 4th Generation University (4GU) community envisions universities as orchestrators of regional innovation ecosystems, achieving societal and economic impact through partnerships with industry, government and civil society.

To navigate this transformational journey, there is a growing need for the sharing of expertise and development of insightful indicators to celebrate the diverse contributions of universities to society. By uniting their efforts via the 4th Generation University community, universities can unlock the full potential of education, innovation and partnership, driving transformative impact on lives and societies.

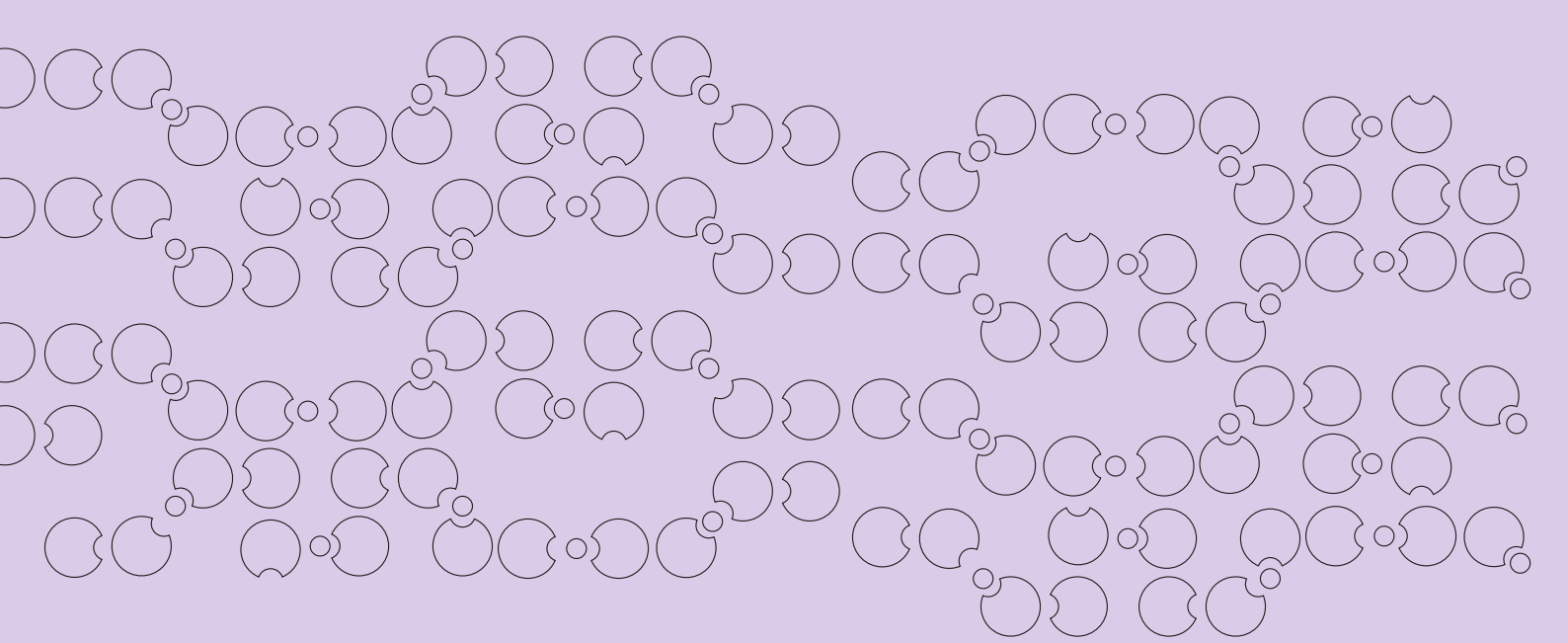
Why 4th Generation Universities Matter

- **Governments and their citizens** benefit from the jobs created by vibrant 4th Generation University ecosystems, and from the societal challenges (for example, health, environment, equality) that they solve.
- **Corporations** benefit from growth enabled by universities that deliver skilled employees and cutting-edge research in fields demanded by industries of the future.
- **Universities** strengthen their social license to operate, regaining public trust and increasing their income from government and industry.

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here*

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Benefits of Joining the 4th Generation University Community

Join us on an inspiring journey of growth and collaboration. We are dedicated to empowering our community members in making a significant impact in their regions. We support members with demonstrating their impact on their region, including:

- **Sharing best practice** from world-class 4th Generation Universities
- **Demonstrating success** through indicators, data and benchmarks
- **Understanding impact** and finding opportunities to improve impact
- **Building your network** with similar universities globally
- **Shaping the evolution** of 4th Generation University community together

Understanding 4th Generation University Impact

The development of indicators to help understand and showcase impact is a critical output from the community.

Initial discussions with the founding group suggest that developing indicators to cover the following areas are of particular interest:

- **Impact from teaching** – regional value created by alumni
- **Collaboration with industry** – solve real world problems through joint research and dual appointments
- **Strategic alignment** – ensuring that teaching and research investments support the ecosystem's needs
- **Commercialisation** – developing intellectual property utilised by industry or in new ventures
- **Influencing policy** – advising government to create science-led policies
- **Governance** – embedding and showing leadership across the regional ecosystem

As we work together to shape the 4th Generation University (4GU) community, we invite you to collaborate with us in defining a common framework and refining specific indicators that are tailored to showcase impact of diverse universities.

4th Generation University Community Founding Group

The 4GU community already counts on the collaboration of a group of visionary institutions who have contributed expertise to help refine the initial set of 4GU indicators and framework, including:

University Name	Country
Aalto University	Finland
Brno University of Technology	Czech Republic
Eindhoven University of Technology (TU Eindhoven)	Netherlands
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)	Germany
Purdue University	United States
Shenzhen Institute of Advanced Technology	China
TU Wien (Vienna University of Technology)	Austria
University College Dublin (UCD)	Ireland
University of Auckland	New Zealand
University of Campinas (Unicamp)	Brazil
University of Newcastle	United Kingdom
University of Strathclyde	United Kingdom
Western Sydney University	Australia

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Join the 4GU Community

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We invite you to join the 4th Generation University (4GU) community, where you will have the opportunity to collaborate with like-minded institutions, share best practices, and develop insightful indicators that highlight the value and innovation your university brings to society.

To express your interest in becoming a member, please fill out the application form on our website (**see QR Code**). Together, we can drive the 4GU mission and unlock the full potential of education, innovation and partnership.

