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A three year GCRF project exploring the role of universities in addressing the climate crisis



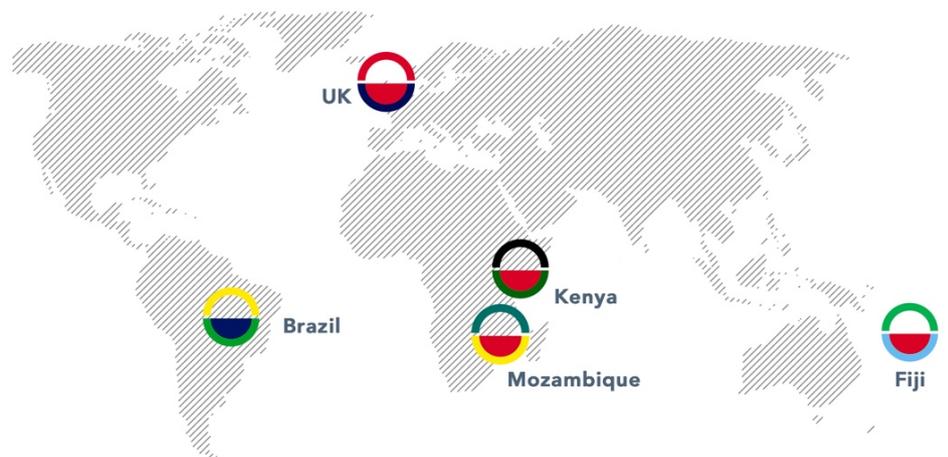
*How do universities impact actions and ideas about climate change in the Global South?*

### Project Overview

**Climate change is widely recognised as the most critical global challenge of our time. But its many effects are felt most strongly in the poorest communities of the world. To avoid devastating impacts, the world needs urgent action in the next decades, with radical shifts by 2050.**

Higher education institutions have a crucial role to play in responding to the climate crisis, not only through carrying out research, but also through teaching, community engagement and public awareness. This project aims to strengthen the contribution of universities to addressing the causes and impacts of climate change in lower-income contexts. It focuses on four countries: Brazil, Fiji, Kenya and Mozambique, each of which is mobilising to develop policies and action to address the damaging impacts of climate change. In doing so, the research project contributes to the broader task of understanding the role of education in achieving the full set of Sustainable Development Goals.

### Where we work



### Our Partners

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## Project Objectives

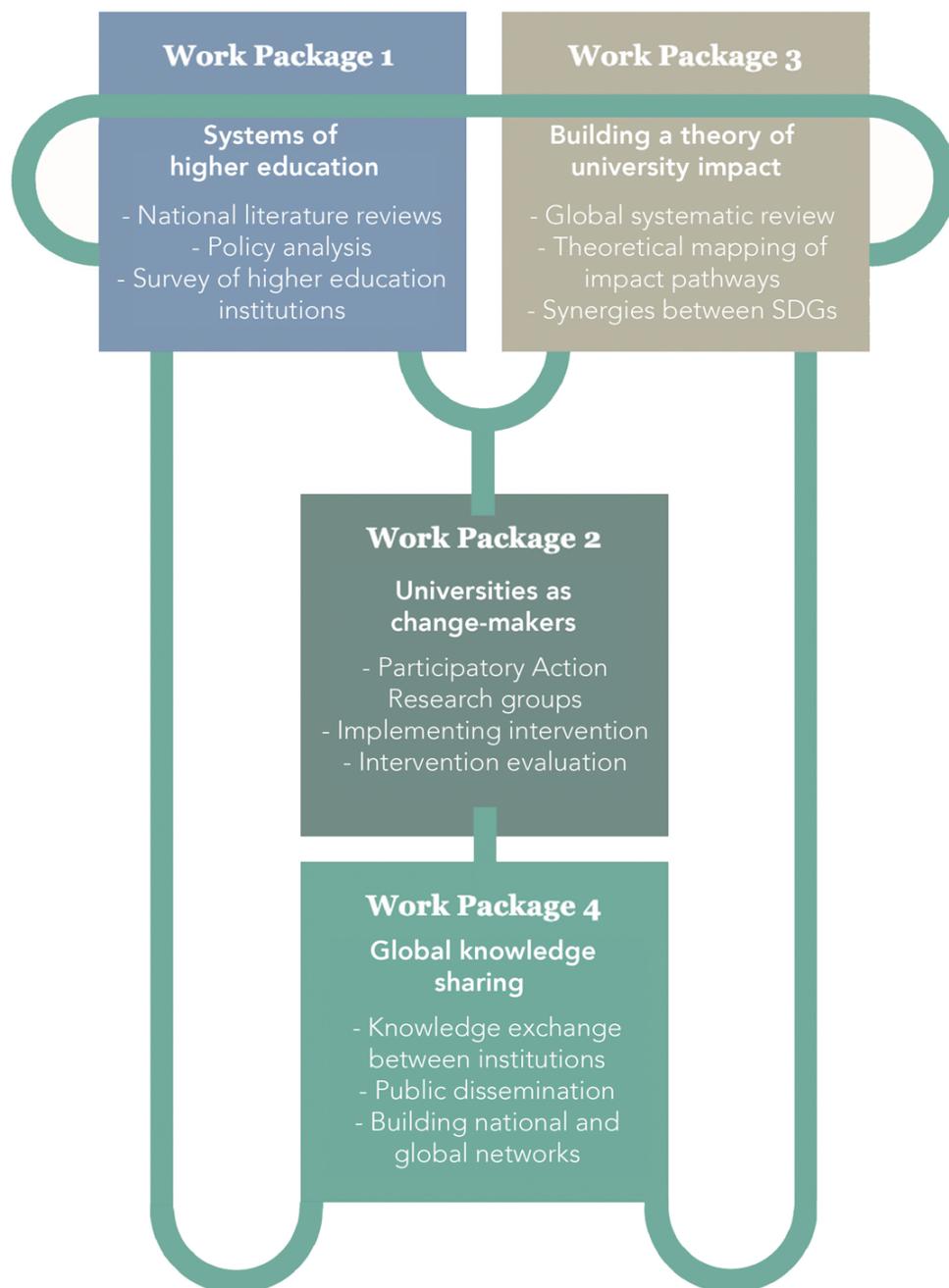
The project has four main objectives:

- To support local action on climate change in Brazil, Fiji, Kenya and Mozambique through the creation of participatory action research groups in universities
- To assess existing coverage of climate change in the curricula, research and community engagement activities of universities in the four countries
- To contribute to theory and understanding of the impact of higher education on climate change and sustainable development
- To build and strengthen national, regional and global university networks and knowledge exchange on climate change

## Planned Impact

This project aims to bring benefit to communities in four low and middle-income countries through enhancing the contributions of universities to addressing climate change. In collaboration with other networks, ACU will coordinate events with international stakeholders and policy-makers.

## Work Packages



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