

Appendix no. 2 Submission form Student and PhD Student Participatory Budget Edition 2025 – "Ecological innovations"

Project title: "Water fountains" – Water Dispensers in Every SGH Building

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Why is the project important? (no more than 100 words)

The project addresses the urgent need to limit plastic consumption in SGH, with hundreds of cans and bottles used there every day. Water fountains and dispensers in SGH buildings, accessible to the entire School community (students, doctoral students, staff), promote pro-environmental habits and actually reduce waste. Many people already own reusable water bottles, so such a solution will be widely used.

Project description (no more than 250 words)

The project involves installing water fountains and modern potable water dispensers in all SGH buildings. The units will be directly connected to the water network and equipped with a filtering system and a heating function, which will render them more functional (e.g. to make tea). Alternatively, less accessible locations will have bottled water dispensers. The goal is to give all members of the SGH community free and environment-friendly access to potable water, while simultaneously minimising the consumption of single-use plastic bottles and cans.

The information campaign (with posters, social media, and unit labels) will encourage people to use the water fountains and remind them of the benefits of using reusable bottles. The project supports environmental education and sustainable development and makes life at the School more convenient; it meets the modern and responsible standards of how an academic institution should function.

Simplified cost estimate - 25 000 PLN

Water dispenser (water mains, filter, cold/hot water): 5 pcs. per 4 000 PLN = 20 000 PLN Installation (water connection, electrical connection, fastening): 5 pcs. \times 800 PLN = 4 000 PLN Filters (starter set): 5 pcs. \times 200 PLN = 1000 PLN