Internationalization Strategic Planning Helwan University: Overview



TODAY...



Overview







Internationalization



- An intentional process
- Integrative
- Enhances quality of education & research
- Impacts students, faculty & staff
- Contributes to the greater social good

There is no "one size fits all" model or approach for internationalization, rather, each HEI must find its own way of internationalizing.

Measurable Components of University Internationalization

Dimension	Components	
Governance & organizational	Human resources	
support	Financial support	
	International presence	
Students	International students	
	Mobility of students	
Faculty	International profile of the faculty	
	International experience of the faculty	
Curriculum	Courses with an international component	
	Joint degree programs	
	Students' participation in international studies	
Research	Internationally cooperative research programs	
	Internationally focused research centers	
	International researchers	
	Internationally acknowledged research achievements	
Engagement	International networks and partnerships	
	International presence of alumni	

Note. Modified from Gao, 2015, p. 191.

Role of International Relations Offices

Provide coordination & leadership for IZN

 Support campus community members engaged in international initiatives

Manage International operations of the university

Helwan University Internationalization Priorities 2020-2025



Global Perspectives of IZN

Internationalization of Higher Education International Association of Universities 5th Global Survey 2019

907 IHE in 126 Countries



Benefits of IZN

Internationalization of Higher Education IAU 5th Global Survey 2019

- Enhanced international cooperation & capacity building
- Improved quality of teaching & learning
- Increased international awareness & deeper engagement with global issues by students

Drivers of IZN

Internationalization of Higher Education IAU 5th Global Survey 2019

• Internal:

- Institutional leadership
- International office
- Recruitment of fee-paying international students

External:

- Business & Industry demand
- Demand from foreign IHE
- Government policy

Obstacles to IZN

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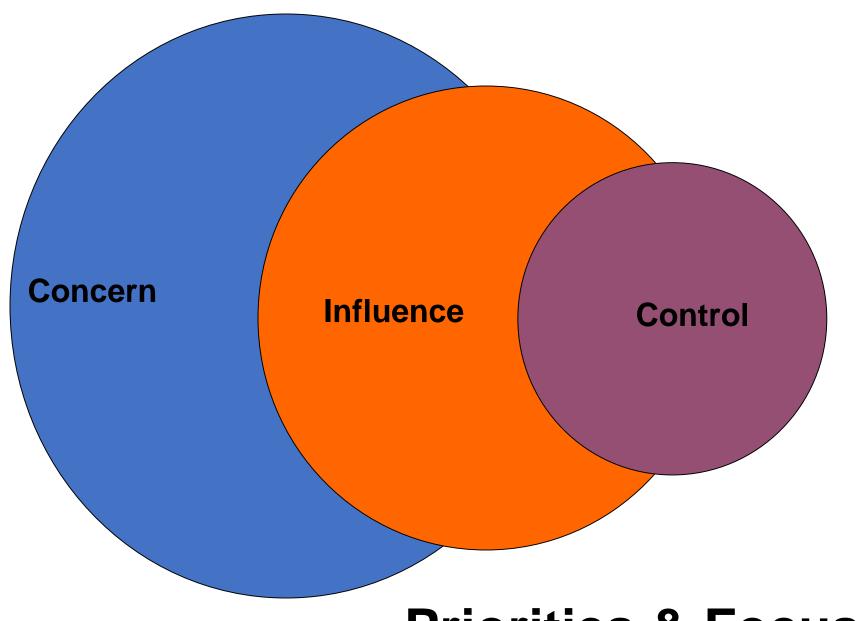
- Insufficient institutional financial resources
- Limited accessibility of international opportunities to students with limited financial resources
- Administrative & bureaucratic difficulties
- Lack of knowledge of foreign languages
- Difficulties in curricular equivalencies
- Difficulty assessing quality of foreign programs
- Visa restrictions, anti-immigration & nationalism

Making Way....



IZN Strategic Planning Workshop Possibilities





Priorities & Focus

Helwan University Internationalization Survey Priorities: 2020

Raise Rankings, Prestige, Profile	Increase funding	Enhance global learning programs & practices
Elevate Research & Collaboration	Increase understanding of IZN	Integrate global perspectives in student learning experience
Align curriculum with peers & global standards	Enhance IZN expertise of faculty & staff	Support faculty collaboration
Diversify student body, faculty, & staff	Expand global experiential learning	Reposition IZN in Helwan's mission
Serve international interests of surrounding community & region	Develop programming & support to increase study abroad	Improve institutional support & structures for IZN
Foster global citizenship & responsibility among students	Become more intentional, strategic & coordinated in IZN	Create institutional partnerships
Attract Egyptian students	Prepare students for globalized lives & careers	Integrate existing IZN activities into programs
Support accreditation	Explore use of IT for IZN	Link with international activities of local organizations
Increase international student tuition revenue	Enhance capacity to seek external IZN grants	Export curriculum & programs outside Egypt

Human Element: The Stakeholders



Know Your Stakeholder & Yourself

For Stakeholders:

Who are they?

What do they do?

Why do they matter?

How can they help us?

For Yourself:

Who are we?

What do we do?

Why do we matter?

How can we help you?



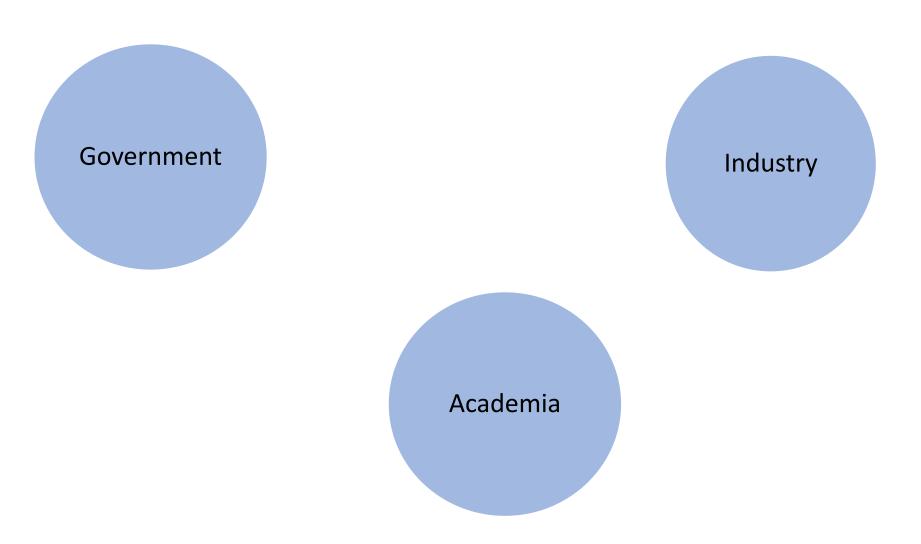
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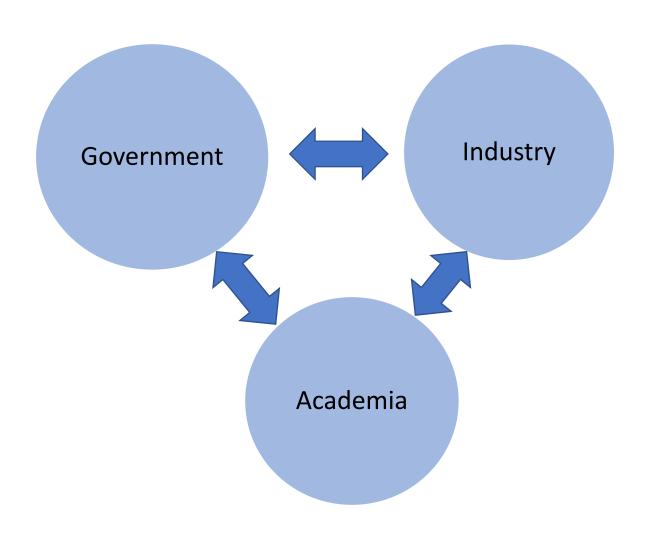
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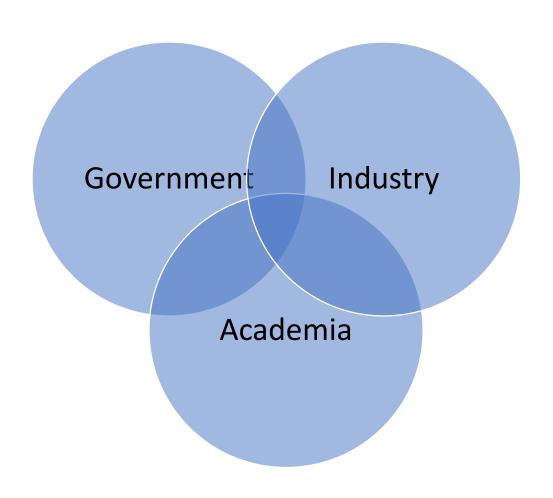
Transactional Partnerships

Independent, instrumental, cooperative



Transformational Partnerships

Synergistic, Dynamic, Collaborative



Next Steps

Top 3-5 priorities for the next five years. For each priority:

- 1. Where are we now?
- 2. What are our aspirations & goals?
- 3. What opportunities do we see for this priority?
- 4. What challenges, obstacles, and distractions do we expect going forward?
- 5. What resources so we need to advance?
- 6. Who can we partner with?

Promising Practices for IZN

- Build on a foundation of your strengths
- Move toward a strategic institutional approach
- Build partnerships
- Create a dedicated IHE office or team for implementation
- Monitor & evaluate explicit targets & benchmarks
- Sufficient dedicated budget for IZN
- Be entrepreneurial
- Tell your story

It's about the students.....





Together, we will find our way.