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## Keio University Shonan Fujisawa Campus (SFC) Joins the Renewable Energy University League *Achieving Carbon Neutrality by 2030*

Keio University's Shonan Fujisawa Campus (SFC; located in the Endo area of Fujisawa City, Kanagawa Prefecture) has decided to strive for carbon neutrality<sup>1</sup> and join the Renewable Energy University League, taking initiative in addressing global warming and fostering future leaders to create a sustainable society.

SFC will take steps to power itself completely using green energy by the year 2030 through energy conservation measures, converting to renewable energy, and other processes. In addition, SFC will strengthen collaboration with other universities that share the same goals in the Renewable Energy University League.

### 1. The Renewable Energy University League

Under the Renewable Energy University League, which was launched in June 2021, member work toward the objective of producing or procuring 100% of their electricity from renewable energy sources by a timeframe of their choosing between 2030 and 2040, ahead of the 2050 target set by the Japanese government's Carbon Neutral Declaration.

Renewable Energy University League Website (Japanese language only)

<https://www.re-u-league.org/>

### 2. SFC membership and objectives

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Dean Tomohiro Ichinose of the Faculty of Environment and Information Studies announced SFC's membership in the Renewable Energy University League at the Open Research Forum (ORF), an event held at SFC on November 20 where researchers, both faculty and students alike, presented their recent findings and publications.

Dean Ichinose shared the university's resolution at the ORF, stressing that "carbon neutrality is linked not only to climate



Professor Tomohiro Ichinose, Dean of the Faculty of Environment and Information Studies (Scene from the ORF Session)

change but also to environmental issues such as biodiversity and resource circulation. An integrated approach is imperative. As we strive towards carbon neutrality, we want everyone involved with the campus to get on board; we want to stimulate discussion; and we want to make our campus better along the way.”

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### Glossary and References

\*1 Carbon neutrality in this press release refers to the reduction of overall emissions of greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide to “zero” by 2050 (i.e., the reduction of human-caused emissions to net zero by offsetting the amount produced with the amount absorbed through afforestation, better forest management, etc.).

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