Today’s world is complex, interconnected and in perpetual transformation. Even the smallest decision can impact society and the planet. How do we ensure that political and economic leaders, and all decision-makers, are fully aware of key global challenges, are well equipped to integrate these elements in their professional practices and assume the consequences of their choices?

Nowadays, proof of a minimum level of English is required for admission to most of the universities or when applying to work in some of the best companies. Other higher education institutions verify applicants’ standardized test scores in key skills areas for entering competitive MBA and Master’s programs. Soon, the best organizations will require that their students or staff possess a basic understanding of the current global challenges and their responsibility in resolving them. The Sustainability Literacy Test was created for this purpose, to help higher education institutions, companies and any organization around the world ensure that they are training graduates or work with employees having awareness and core knowledge of the global challenges of the 21st century.

The Sulitest, was created following the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, Rio+20. It is a concrete response to Article 47 “…to evaluate and report” - of the final agreement signed by 193 member States. It is a tangible and operational implementation of the international declaration of the Higher Education Sustainability Initiative, HESI.

The Sulitest has an easy to use, on-line, multiple choice question format, with an international set of questions identical for all users throughout the world, and other specialized module of questions that take into account local, regional and cultural specificities (environment, laws, and practices). Furthermore, every organization can now create a specific set of questions customized to their own needs and culture (CSR strategy, sector or professions challenges …)

Built to serve the common good, the Sulitest is piloted by an independent non-profit organization. The platform is supported by more than forty UN entities, institutions and international networks (such as UNESCO, UNEP, GRLI, IAU, UNGC PRME or UNDESA). It has been sponsored by leaders, universities, student unions, companies and other non-profit organizations throughout the world.

Recognized as one of the 17 featured initiatives of United Nations partnerships for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Sulitest is today a contributor to the review of the 2030 Agenda through the high level political forum.

The Sulitest was first deployed in the academic world, and has been taken by more than 53,000 students in 500 universities in 53 countries free of charge. Since September 2016 the business world can now access this tool as well for a fee. Numerous organizations are using the Sulitest as a support tool for internal change management, for training and awareness raising and for “revealing the talents” of their future employees.

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1 More than 200 000 people take the GMAT each year (skills related to critical analysis, problem solving, reading comprehension).
2 The HESI was the biggest voluntary contribution to Rio +20 sustainabledevelopment.un.org HESI
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