



Annual Sustainability in Higher Education Summit *by University of Hawaii*



Event Summary:

The 6th Annual Hawai'i Sustainability in Higher Education Summit took place from February 8-10, 2018 on Hawai'i Island. The annual event creates an opportunity for delegates from all ten campuses of the University of Hawai'i to gather and celebrate successes, learn from each other, and advance progress on strategic sustainability efforts from year to year.

This year's theme was "Exploring the meeting of wisdoms between indigenous ancestral knowledge systems and western empirical sciences."

Green Event Highlights: Waste Reduction



Reusable bamboo sporks were provided to all guests in partnership with Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation. Attendees were asked to bring these with them to every meal throughout the conference, and to keep them for future use, which eliminated the need for single-use utensils for all three days. Reusable mugs were also offered on the first day for participants to use throughout the conference.



Food waste was separated and composted at each location. Recycling was made available with separate and clearly labeled containers.



Cream and sugar for coffee was offered in bulk every morning. Dry pasta was used as stirrers.



Plates and other food ware were certified compostable.

Green Event Highlights: Food

Throughout the conference, fruits and produce were locally sourced and catering was offered by local chefs. Vegan and vegetarian options were available for each meal.

