

# Adding Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) keywords to research outputs in Pure.

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## Introduction

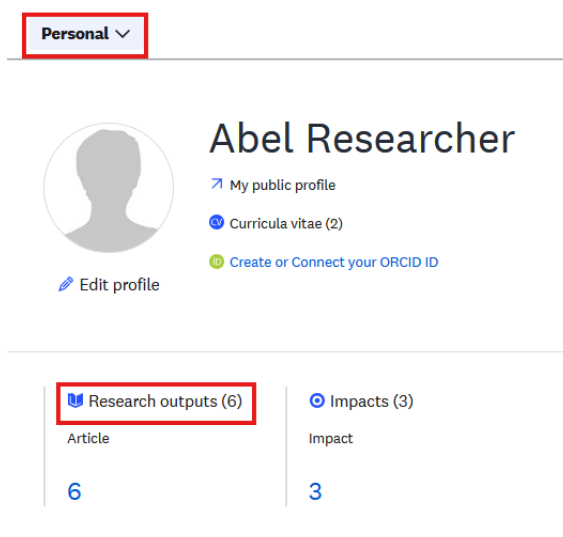
This document contains instructions for individual Pure users on how to add United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) keywords to their research output records.

Please note that SDG keywords added to Pure content are not displayed on the Edinburgh Research Explorer (ERE). However, this information is reportable and can be used for aggregate School accreditation purposes, based on local guidance.

In deciding which SDGs to apply you should evaluate the primary objective of the research output then select which are relevant. The Appendix contains a list of keywords related to each SDG to help you decide which ones should be used. You may select more than one SDG.

## How to add SDG keywords to your research outputs

1. Log into Pure - <https://www.pure.ed.ac.uk/> - using your University UUN and password
2. Under the 'Personal' tab select 'Research outputs' to access the list of your research outputs



3. Search for the research output you want to add keywords to and open its record by clicking on the title

**Personal** ▾

Personal overview

Research outputs +

My research output 6

Activities

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Impacts

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Student theses

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Curricula Vitae

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Search for research output...

My content

6 results

▶ **Test record - for performance checking: sub test**  
 Person, T., 2010, In: The Library.  
 Research output: Contribution to journal › Article › peer-review  
 PUBLISHED VALIDATED

▶ **Test OA record 1**  
 Researcher, A. & Querry, A., 10 Dec 2025, In: The Library.  
 Research output: Contribution to journal › Article › peer-review  
 PUBLISHED FOR RE-VALIDATION REVALIDATE

▶ **Test OA record 2**  
 Researcher, A., 10 Jan 2026, (E-pub ahead of print) In: The Library.  
 Research output: Contribution to journal › Article › peer-review  
 E-PUB AHEAD OF PRINT VALIDATED

▶ **Test OA 3**  
 Researcher, A., 17 Nov 2025, (E-pub ahead of print) In: The Library.  
 Research output: Contribution to journal › Article › peer-review  
 E-PUB AHEAD OF PRINT VALIDATED

▶ **Test record for review**  
 Researcher, A., 1 Jan 2024, In: The Library.

4. Scroll down to the sub-section 'Sustainable Development Goals' under 'Keywords'

ID: 580640354

**Test OA record 2**  
 Research output: Contribution to journal › Article › peer-review

EDIT

**Metadata**

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History and comments

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**Keywords** ⓘ

KEYWORDS / MATERIALS (FOR NON-TEXTUAL OUTPUTS)

Keyword

**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS** ⓘ

*There are no associations*

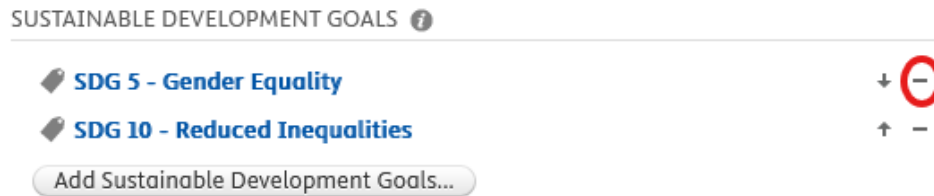
Add Sustainable Development Goals...

TYPE (FOR NON-TEXTUAL OUTPUTS)

5. Click 'Add Sustainable Development Goals' and select the relevant one from the list by clicking on the SDG name. It is only possible to select one SDG at the time. To select more, repeat the

same steps: click on the 'Add Sustainable Development Goals' button and make a new selection.

6. To remove any keyword, click on the minus sign.



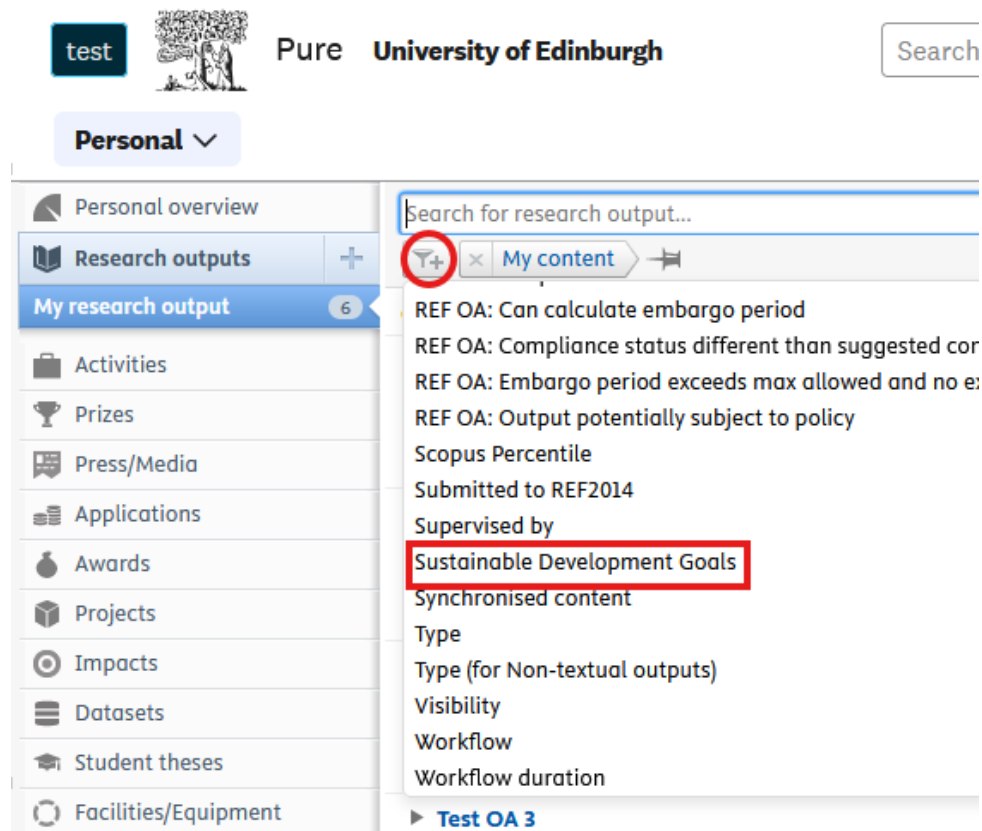
7. Click 'Save' at the bottom of the record to save the changes.



## How to check if any of your research outputs has associated SDG keywords

To check which of your research outputs has associated SDG keywords:

8. Under the 'Personal' tab select 'Research outputs'
9. Click on the funnel symbol, scroll down until you find the filter for Sustainable Development Goals and select it



10. Select the option 'Manually added keywords'. Alternatively, select the relevant SDG tags.

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Search for research output...

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- SDG 1 - No Poverty
- SDG 2 - Zero Hunger
- SDG 3 - Good Health and Well-being
- SDG 4 - Quality Education
- SDG 5 - Gender Equality
- SDG 6 - Clean Water and Sanitation
- SDG 7 - Affordable and Clean Energy
- SDG 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth
- SDG 9 - Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure
- SDG 10 - Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 11 - Sustainable Cities and Communities
- SDG 12 - Responsible Consumption and Production
- SDG 13 - Climate Action
- SDG 14 - Life Below Water
- SDG 15 - Life on Land
- SDG 16 - Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- SDG 17 - Partnerships for the Goals

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- Suggested keywords (Pending)
- Suggested keywords (Accepted)
- Suggested keywords (Auto-accepted)
- Manually added keywords**
- Auto-populated keywords

11. The list of outputs will automatically update to include those research outputs with attached SDG keywords.

## Appendix: SDGs and related keywords

In the below table you will find examples of the keywords related to each SDG. This is aimed at assisting with the selection of the SDGs relevant to your research outputs. You can find more information on the SDGs search strings at <https://data.mendeley.com/datasets/87txkw7khs/1>

For academics who will want more fine-grained info on what each SDG entails, more information on the definition of each SDG can be found here: <https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

SDG	Keywords
SDG1 - End poverty in all its forms everywhere	poverty; income; finance; financial development; distributional effect; distributional effects; child labor; child labour; development aid; social protection; microfinance; micro-finance; resilience of the poor; resilience; poor; safety net; safety nets; economic resource/s; welfare; food bank/s
SDG2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture	hunger; land tenure; farm; smallholder; malnourish*; undernourish*; agricultur*; food; land right/s; land reform/s; malnutrition; undernutrition; good nutrition; land ownership; drought; potassium; fertiliser; rainfed; rain-fed; pre-harvest; post-harvest; nutrition improvement; improvement of nutrition; genetically modified food; GMO; anaemia; vitamin deficiency; forestry; pastoral; agriculture; fishery; agroforestry; development governance; disease
SDG3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages	human health; human disease; battered child syndrome; body dissatisfaction; body image; body ideals; bullying; cardiovascular disease; chagas; child abuse; child neglect; child well-being index; youth well-being index; water-borne disease; tropical disease; chronic respiratory disease; infectious disease; sexually-transmitted disease; sexually transmitted disease; communicable disease; AIDS; HIV; human immunodeficiency virus; anti-retroviral therapy; tuberculosis; malaria; hepatitis; polio; vaccin*; maternal mortality; child mortality; childbirth complications; neonatal mortality; infant mortality; preventable death; tobacco control; substance abuse; drug abuse; alcohol use; substance addiction; alcoholism; suicid*; postnatal depression; zika; sleeping sickness; mental health; mental disease; mental illness; traffic accidents; road accident; healthy lifestyle; wellness; life expectancy; healthcare; health policy; health system; health risk; obesity; psychological wellbeing; public health; World Health Organization
SDG4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all	progress; schooling; school attendance; school enrollment; inclusive education; quality education; education quality; parental education; parent involvement; parenting techniques; female education; girls education; women's education ; nursery education; primary education; secondary education; further education; tertiary education; higher education; literacy; proficiency; numeracy; learning outcome; learning environment; vocational training; technical training; access to education; educational resources; scholarship; teacher; early childhood education; relevance of education; formal learning; informal learning; formal

	training; practical learning; internship; apprenticeship; school; learning material; classroom; lifelong learning; e-learning; digital learning; books; learning opportunities
SDG5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls	gender; female education; women's education; girls' education; male education; men's education; boys' education; employment equity; wage differential; unequal pay; female labor force participation; womens' employment; female employment; women's unemployment; male labor force participation; labor force participation; mens' employment; male employment; men's unemployment; family planning; early marriage; forced marriage; child marriage; occupational segregation; female genital mutilation; male genital mutilation; domestic violence; sexual violence; unpaid work; women's political participation; women in management; women in leadership; men's political participation; men in management; men in leadership; male leadership; intrahousehold allocation; maternal mortality; reproductive health; abortion; honour killing; same sex marriage; civil partnership; masculinity; femininity; access to child care; female infanticide; sex traffic forced prostitution; sexual rights; divorce right; child custody; menstrual
SDG6: Water and Sanitation	water availability; water supply; clean water; hygienic toilet; antifouling membrane; drinking water; water management; water quality; water security; water shortage; waste water; wastewater; water conservation; water footprint; water infrastructure; water pollution; water purification; water resource; water use; water AND ecosystem; freshwater; sewer; water-borne disease; water contamination; water AND endocrine disruptor aquatic toxicology; water scarcity; blue water; green water; grey water; water AND microplastic; sanitation
SDG7: Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all	energy; power; renewable; smart micro-grid; smart microgrids; smart meter; electric; fuel; waste conversion; Energiewende; life-cycle assessment; photochemistry; photovoltaic; photocatalysis; hydrogen production; water splitting; lithium-ion batteries; heat network; district heat; wireless sensor network; low-carbon society; rural electrification
SDG8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all	economic growth; economic policy; inclusive growth; industrial development; economic development; economic geography; low carbon economy; inclusive growth; informal sector; microfinanc*; micro-credit*; income group; decent job; decent work; quality job; job creation; employment protection; productive employment; informal employment; precarious employment; unemployment; microenterprise* OR micro-enterprise* ; entrepreneur; social entrepreneurship; modern slavery; human trafficking; child soldier; working environment; labor market institution; labour right; modern slavery; human trafficking; child soldier; global jobs; taxes; living wage; minimum wage; circular economy; inclusive economy; unequal pay rural economy; local investment; trade unions; working poor; prosperity; carbon offset; offset project
SDG9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and	industrial development; industrial growth; industrial diversification; infrastructural development; industrial hygiene; industrial safety; infrastructural investment; public infrastructure; resilient infrastructure; transborder infrastructure; public infrastructures; industrial pollution; industrial waste management; industrial waste

foster innovation	treatment; congestion; microenterprise; enterprise; entrepreneur; structural equity; value-add; value-addition; internet access; manufacturing; transportation; green product; green process; innovation AND industry; innovation AND economy; inclusive innovation; technological development
SDG10: Reduce inequality within and among countries	Equality; inequality; reform program; political inclusion; social protection; immigration; emigration; foreign direct investment; development assistance; development gap; migrant remittance; responsible migration; migration policy; north-south; taxes; discrimination; social exclusion; marginalized population
SDG11: Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable	City; human settlement; gentrification; congestion; transportation; public transport; urban; metropoli; town; municipal; housing; slum; Disaster Risk Reduction; DRR; smart village; resilient building; sustainable building; building design; zero energy building; basic service; pollution; air quality; circular economy; green space; cultural heritage
SDG12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns	environmental justice; environmental damage; hazardous waste; hazardous chemical; toxic chemical; pollution; pollutant; ozone; pesticide; life cycle analysis; low carbon economy; natural resource; resource footprint; ecological footprint; solid waste; transportation cost; post-harvest; waste generation; corporate report; corporate sustainability; consumption; production; business practice; consumer behaviour; deforest; recycl*; natural product; biobased product; supply chain; zero waste; sustainable tourism; cradle to cradle; wireless sensor network; sustainability labelling
SDG13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	climate action; climate adaptation; climate change; IPCC; climate effect; climate feedback; climate forcing; climate impact; climate mitigation; climate model; climate policy; climate risk; climate services; climate prediction; climate signals; climate tipping point; climate variation; ecoclimatology; regional climate; urban climate; biodivers*; bioeconomy; biological production; carbon; conservation; emission; food chain; hazard; island; land use; megacit*; mitigation; consumption; production; anthropocene ; atmospher*; clean development mechanism; glacier retreat; warming; greenhouse; ice-ocean interaction; nitrogen cycle; ocean acidification; radiative forcing; sea ice; sea level; thermal expansion; UNFCCC; ozone
SDG14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development	Marine; ocean; sea; water cycle; biogeochemical cycle; biochemical cycle; glacier dynamics; glacier mass; glacier retreat; global circulation model; iceocean; submarine geophysics; eutrophicat*; marine; ocean; coral bleach; coastal management; paleoceanography; coastal habitat; coastal habitats; marine debris; ocean acidification; fishery; sustainable yield; ecotourism; species richness; community based conservation; overfishing}
SDG15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage	biodivers*; bioeconom*; biological production; deforest*; desertif*; earth system; ecological resilience; ecosystem*; food chain; threatened species; endangered species; extinction risk; poach; wildlife product; wildlife traffic; wildlife market; invasive species; alien species; land uses; land degradation; soil degradation; LULUCF; forest; land conservation; wetland; mountain; dryland; extinction wave; Red List Index; illegal logging; silviculture; Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic

forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss	Resources; biological invasion; community-based conservation; rainforest alliance; ecotourism; human-wildlife conflict
SDG16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels	actual innocence; armed conflict; civil conflict; war; conflict management; corruption; crime; democracy; ethnic conflict; exoneration; genocid*; homicid*; murder*; human trafficking; justice; refugee; terroris*; violence; torture; rule of law; arms flow; bribery; transparent institution; global governance; legal identity for all; birth registration; freedom of information; human right; fundamental freedom; violent conflict; peace; effective institution; effective institutions; accountable institution; inclusive institution; child abuse; detention; prison; judicial system; tribunal; government budget; social services; social contract; peace; inclusive society; responsible institution; fair society; legal remedy; {independence of judiciary; separation of powers; illicit money; political instability
SDG17: Partnerships for the goals	There is no string search for this goal, as is not related to any specific content but to the collaboration on other SDG-related work. For this reason, SDG 17 is not automatically added to any PURE content, but is available for users to manually add to content they feel satisfies the criteria as set forth by the UN.