


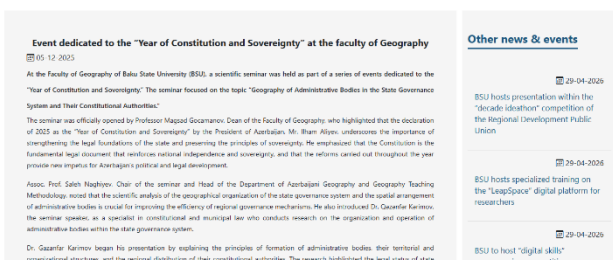
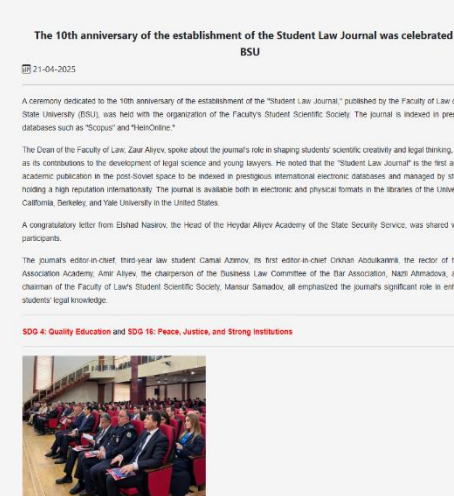

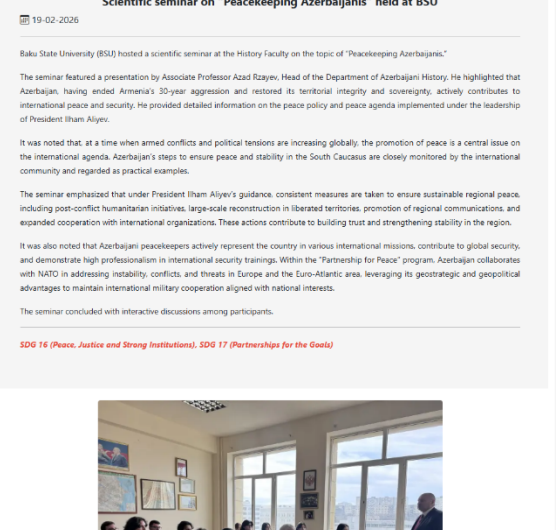



# UI GreenMetric Questionnaire

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## [7] Governance and Digitalization (GD)

### [7.14] Compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) or Equivalent National Data Protection Regulations (GD.8)

 <p><b>Parliament Model Simulation on the Topic of Sustainable Development Goals at BSU</b>      03-10-2024      The "SDG Initiatives" organization at Baku State University held a Parliament Model Simulation on the topic of "Sustainable Development Goals".      During the simulation, students engaged in discussions on various political issues, analyzing pathways to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and identifying which of these goals are most pertinent. Additionally, suggestions were made regarding zero-emission energy in our country within the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals and methods for eliminating the threat of landmines through collective efforts. As a result, a legislative proposal encompassing the Sustainable Development Goals was adopted by the parliament.      The event concluded with a performance by the "Lis orph" music club.      It is important to note that the Parliament Model Simulation serves as a non-formal educational tool designed to enhance students' understanding of the functioning mechanisms and philosophy of parliament, while also developing their analytical thinking and debating skills.</p>	 <p><b>Event dedicated to the "Year of Constitution and Sovereignty" at the faculty of Geography</b>      05-12-2023      At the Faculty of Geography of Baku State University (BSU), a scientific seminar was held as part of a series of events dedicated to the "Year of Constitution and Sovereignty". The seminar focused on the topic "Geography of Administrative Bodies in the State Governance System and Their Constitutional Authorities".      The seminar was officially opened by Professor Mammad Gocamanov, Dean of the Faculty of Geography, who highlighted that the declaration of 2025 as the "Year of Constitution and Sovereignty" by the President of Azerbaijan, Mr. Ilham Aliyev, underscores the importance of strengthening the legal foundations of the state and governing the principles of sovereignty. He emphasized that the Constitution is the fundamental legal document that reinforces national independence and sovereignty, and that the reforms carried out throughout the year provide new impetus for Azerbaijan's political and legal development.      Assoc. Prof. Saleh Noghayev, Chair of the seminar and Head of the Department of Azerbaijan Geography and Geography Teaching Methodology, noted that the scientific analysis of the geographical organization of the state governance system and the spatial arrangement of administrative bodies is crucial for improving the efficiency of regional governance mechanisms. He also introduced Dr. Qasim Karimov, the seminar's speaker, as a specialist in constitutional and municipal law who conducts research on the organization and operation of administrative bodies within the state governance system.      Dr. Qasim Karimov began his presentation by explaining the principles of formation of administrative bodies, their territorial and organizational structures, and the regional distribution of their constitutional authorities. The research highlighted the legal status of state</p>
 <p><b>The 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Student Law Journal was celebrated at BSU</b>      21-04-2025      A ceremony dedicated to the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the "Student Law Journal," published by the Faculty of Law of Baku State University (BSU), was held with the organization of the Faculty's Student Scientific Society. The journal is indexed in prestigious databases such as "Scopus" and "Web of Science".      The Dean of the Faculty of Law, Zaur Aliyev, spoke about the journal's role in shaping students' scientific creativity and legal thinking, as well as its contributions to the development of legal science and young lawyers. He noted that the "Student Law Journal" is the first and only academic publication in the post-Soviet space to be indexed in prestigious international electronic databases and managed by students, holding a high reputation internationally. The journal is available both in electronic and physical formats in the libraries of the University of California, Berkeley, and Yale University in the United States.      A congratulatory letter from Elshad Nasibov, the Head of the Heydar Aliyev Academy of the State Security Service, was shared with the participants.      The journal's editor-in-chief, third-year law student Camal Azimov, its first editor-in-chief Orkhan Abdulkamilov, the rector of the Bar Association Academy, Amir Aliyev, the chairperson of the Business Law Committee of the Bar Association, Nadiyeh Alimova, and the chairman of the Faculty of Law's Student Scientific Society, Mansur Samadov, all emphasized the journal's significant role in enhancing students' legal knowledge.</p> <p><b>SDG 4: Quality Education and SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions</b></p> 	 <p><b>Scientific seminar on "Peacekeeping Azerbaijanis" held at BSU</b>      19-02-2026      Baku State University (BSU) hosted a scientific seminar at the History Faculty on the topic of "Peacekeeping Azerbaijanis."      The seminar featured a presentation by Associate Professor Azad Rzaev, Head of the Department of Azerbaijani History. He highlighted that Azerbaijan, having ended Armenia's 30-year aggression and restored its territorial integrity and sovereignty, actively contributes to international peace and security. He provided detailed information on the peace policy and peace agenda implemented under the leadership of President Ilham Aliyev.      It was noted that, at a time when armed conflicts and political tensions are increasing globally, the promotion of peace is a central issue on the international agenda. Azerbaijan's steps to ensure peace and stability in the South Caucasus are closely monitored by the international community and regarded as practical examples.      The seminar emphasized that under President Ilham Aliyev's guidance, consistent measures are taken to ensure sustainable regional peace, including post-conflict humanitarian initiatives, large-scale reconstruction in liberated territories, promotion of regional communications, and expanded cooperation with international organizations. These actions contribute to building trust and strengthening stability in the region.      It was also noted that Azerbaijani peacekeepers actively represent the country in various international missions, contribute to global security, and demonstrate high professionalism in international security trainings. Within the "Partnership for Peace" program, Azerbaijan collaborates with NATO in addressing instability, conflicts, and threats in Europe and the Euro-Atlantic area, leveraging its geostrategic and geopolitical advantages to maintain international military cooperation aligned with national interests.      The seminar concluded with interactive discussions among participants.</p> <p><b>SDG 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions), SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)</b></p> 

## Data Protection Policy at Baku State University

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/uploads/files/SDG%2016%202025.pdf>

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/research-on-sdg-16>



## Description:



Baku State University is firmly committed to protecting personal data and ensuring its lawful, fair, and transparent processing in accordance with applicable data protection frameworks, including the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and relevant national legislation.

The university collects and processes personal data only for clearly defined and legitimate purposes related to education, research, and institutional administration. Data processing is carried out in a transparent manner, ensuring that individuals are fully informed about how their information is used. BSU applies strict data minimization principles, collecting only the data necessary for specific purposes.

To ensure data security, the university implements robust technical and organizational measures, including secure data storage systems, controlled access mechanisms, regular monitoring, and risk assessment procedures.

These measures are designed to prevent unauthorized access, data breaches, loss,

or misuse of information. Individuals whose data is processed

are granted full rights in line with data protection standards.

These rights include access to personal data, the ability to request correction or deletion, restriction of processing, and the right to be informed about data usage.

The university also ensures that personal data is retained only for the duration necessary to fulfil its intended purpose, after which it is securely deleted or anonymized.

In addition, BSU promotes awareness and training among

staff and students on data protection principles and ethical data handling. Internal policies, regular audits, and compliance checks are conducted to maintain high standards of data governance.

Through these comprehensive measures, Baku State University fosters trust, accountability, and a culture of responsible data management across all academic and administrative operations.





Baku State University (BSU) demonstrates its commitment to data protection through an institution-wide framework aligned with internationally recognized standards, including principles reflected in the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), as well as relevant national data protection legislation of Azerbaijan.

which apply across all academic and administrative units and digital systems.

At the governance and policy level, BSU has adopted internal regulations and policies on the protection of personal data,



These policies establish key principles such as lawful, fair, and transparent data processing, purpose limitation, data minimization, secure storage, and defined data retention periods. Institutional policies are communicated to students, staff, and stakeholders to ensure awareness and transparency.

To ensure accountability and effective oversight, BSU assigns responsibility for data protection to relevant administrative units and designated officials who monitor compliance, provide guidance, and manage potential risks.



Data protection responsibilities are integrated into the university's governance structure, with clearly defined roles and reporting mechanisms across faculties and departments.

monitoring processes to prevent unauthorized access, data loss, or misuse.

The university implements appropriate technical and organizational security measures, including controlled access to information systems, data protection protocols, and regular



BSU also recognizes the rights of individuals regarding their personal data, including access, correction, and deletion. Procedures are in place to handle such requests in a timely and secure manner.

Additionally, awareness initiatives and internal guidance help promote a culture of responsible data handling among staff and students.

Through these measures, Baku State University ensures responsible, transparent, and secure management of personal data across all its academic and administrative activities.





## Area of Compliance

## Implementation at Baku State University (BSU)

Institutional Commitment	Baku State University is firmly committed to protecting personal data and ensuring its lawful, fair, and transparent processing in accordance with internationally recognized data protection principles, including standards reflected in the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and relevant national legislation of Azerbaijan.
Legal and Regulatory Framework	BSU operates under an institution-wide framework aligned with applicable national data protection regulations and international best practices. Internal policies ensure compliance across all academic, administrative, and digital operations.
Data Collection and Processing Principles	The university collects and processes personal data only for clearly defined and legitimate purposes related to education, research, student services, human resources, and institutional administration. Data processing follows principles of lawfulness, fairness, transparency, purpose limitation, and data minimization.
Institution-Wide Policies	BSU has adopted internal regulations and institutional policies governing personal data protection across all faculties, administrative departments, and digital systems. Policies clearly define standards for secure processing, confidentiality, access control, data retention periods, and responsible data management.
Governance and Accountability	Responsibility for data protection is assigned to relevant administrative units and designated institutional officials responsible for monitoring compliance, managing risks, overseeing implementation, and ensuring accountability across university operations.
Technical Security Measures	The university applies robust technical safeguards including secure data storage systems, controlled access mechanisms, password protection protocols, encrypted digital systems, cybersecurity monitoring, network security management, and regular vulnerability assessments to prevent unauthorized access, misuse, loss, or data breaches.
Organizational Security Measures	BSU implements organizational procedures including access authorization systems, internal approval mechanisms, confidential handling protocols, documented operational procedures, and administrative controls to strengthen secure data management practices institution-wide.
Rights of Individuals	Individuals whose personal data is processed are granted rights in accordance with recognized data protection standards. These rights include access to personal information, correction of inaccurate data, deletion requests, restriction of processing, and the right to receive clear information regarding how their data is used and stored.
Data Retention and Disposal	Personal data is retained only for the period necessary to fulfill the specific purpose for which it was collected. Once the retention period expires, data is securely deleted, archived according to legal requirements, or anonymized to prevent misuse.
Monitoring and Compliance Audits	The university conducts regular internal audits, compliance monitoring procedures, system security assessments, and risk management reviews to evaluate adherence to institutional policies and continuously identify areas for improvement in data governance practices.
Training and Awareness Programs	BSU regularly promotes awareness among academic staff, administrative employees, and students through training sessions, internal guidance materials, awareness campaigns, and institutional communication channels focused on responsible data handling, privacy protection, cybersecurity awareness, and ethical use of digital information.
Continuous Improvement	Institutional data protection systems are continuously reviewed and improved in response to technological developments, cybersecurity risks, evolving legal frameworks, and changing institutional requirements. Policies and procedures are updated regularly to maintain high compliance standards.
Transparency and Stakeholder Communication	Information regarding data protection policies, privacy standards, digital governance procedures, and institutional responsibilities is transparently communicated to students, staff, researchers, and other stakeholders through official university communication channels, ensuring institutional trust and accountability.
Overall Compliance Level	BSU demonstrates fully implemented, institution-wide compliance with advanced data protection standards. Compliance mechanisms are regularly monitored,



continuously improved, and transparently communicated, supporting responsible governance across all academic and administrative activities.

### Additional evidence link:

#### 1) Publicly Accessible Data Protection Policy

##### ❖ **BSU Rector's Advisor at ADA Symposium**

A representative of Baku State University participated in the 2nd ADA Symposium on Quality Assurance, highlighting BSU's commitment to improving higher education standards and academic quality. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsu-rectors-advisor-spoke-at-the-2nd-ada-symposium-on-quality-assurance-in-higher-education>

##### ❖ **"In the Shadow of Victory" Event**

An event was organized at BSU to commemorate national victory, promoting patriotism and historical awareness among students. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/event-titled-in-the-shadow-of-victory-held>

##### ❖ **Event on Constitution and Sovereignty (Geography Faculty)**

A faculty-level event emphasized the importance of constitutional values and national sovereignty within academic and civic education. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/event-dedicated-to-the-year-of-constitution-and-sovereignty-at-the-faculty-of-geography>

##### ❖ **Master Class with Media and Judicial Council**

BSU hosted a joint master class focusing on media literacy, legal awareness, and cooperation between journalism and judicial institutions. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/master-class-held-at-bsu-in-collaboration-with-the-media-and-judicial-legal-council>

##### ❖ **Youth Dialogue of the Future (UN 80th Anniversary)**

A youth-focused event encouraged discussions on global challenges, sustainability, and the role of young people in shaping the future. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsu-hosts-youth-dialogue-of-the-future-event-dedicated-to-the-80th-anniversary-of-the-united-nations>

##### ❖ **AI Risks in Dissertations Event**

An academic discussion addressed ethical concerns and limitations of using artificial intelligence in research and dissertation writing. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/event-on-the-limits-and-risks-of-using-artificial-intelligence-in-dissertations-held-at-bsu>

##### ❖ **First Youth Forum on AI Ethics**

BSU organized a forum exploring ethical issues in artificial intelligence, fostering awareness among students and young researchers. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/the-first-youth-forum-on-artificial-intelligence-ethics-held-at-bsu>

##### ❖ **Visit to Anti-Corruption Headquarters**

BSU students participated in an "Open Door Day," gaining insights into anti-corruption practices and institutional transparency. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsu-students-visit-to-anti-corruption-headquarter-open-door-day>



#### ❖ **Quality Assurance Training Series**

A series of trainings was launched to strengthen quality assurance and internationalization processes in education. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/a-series-of-trainings-on-quality-assurance-launched-at-bsu-internationalization>

#### ❖ **“Zəfər Salməsi” Event**

A commemorative event highlighting national achievements and reinforcing patriotic values among the academic community. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/zefer-salnamesi-event-held>

#### ❖ **World Day for Safety and Health at Work Roundtable**

A roundtable discussion raised awareness about workplace safety, health standards, and sustainable working environments. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsu-hosts-roundtable-dedicated-to-the-world-day-for-safety-and-health-at-work>

#### ❖ **Ombudsman Special Scholarships**

Two BSU students were awarded special scholarships recognizing academic success and civic engagement. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/two-bsu-students-to-receive-ombudsman-special-scholarship-within-the-year-of-constitution-and-sovereignty>

#### ❖ **Training on Successful Communication**

Students received training aimed at improving communication skills, teamwork, and personal development. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/training-for-bsu-students-successful-communication>

#### ❖ **Role of Courts in Human Rights Event**

An event focused on the judiciary’s role in protecting human and civil rights, enhancing students’ legal awareness. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/an-event-titled-the-role-of-the-court-in-ensuring-human-and-civil-rights-and-freedoms-was-held-at-bsu>

#### ❖ **Consumer Rights Awareness Session**

Students were informed about consumer protection laws and their rights in the marketplace. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsu-students-informed-about-consumer-rights>

#### ❖ **Democratic and Inclusive Governance at BSU**

BSU reaffirmed its commitment to transparent, inclusive governance aligned with national legislation. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/baku-state-university-ensures-democratic-and-inclusive-governance-in-compliance-with-national-legislation>

#### ❖ **Meeting with Vasif Eyvazzadeh**

A meeting with an international education leader explored opportunities for academic cooperation and cultural exchange. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/meeting-with-vasif-eyvazzadeh,-president-and-chair-of-the-advisory-board-of-the-u.s.chartered-center-for-culture-and-education,-held-at-bsu>



❖ **WUF Model Simulation Conference**

A simulation conference engaged students in global urban development issues, enhancing analytical and negotiation skills. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/wuf-model-simulation-conference-held-at-bsu>

❖ **Government Scholarship Opportunities**

Twelve BSU graduates secured scholarships to continue their studies abroad, reflecting the university's academic excellence. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/12-bsu-graduates-to-pursue-studies-in-hungary-and-the-peoples-republic-of-china-through-government-scholarship-programs>

❖ **Event on International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace**

Baku State University hosted an event highlighting the importance of multilateral cooperation, diplomacy, and dialogue in promoting global peace and sustainable development, in line with United Nations principles. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsu-hosts-event-dedicated-to-the-international-day-of-multilateralism-and-diplomacy-for-peace>

❖ **Awareness Event on Combating Environmental Crimes**

An event at BSU focused on legal and organizational approaches to tackling environmental crimes, raising awareness about environmental protection and strengthening regulatory frameworks. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/awareness-event-on-combating-environmental-crimes-legal-and-organizational-approaches-held-at-bsu>

❖ **Awareness on Drug Addiction**

BSU students were informed about the harmful effects of drug addiction, emphasizing prevention, healthy lifestyles, and social responsibility. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/students-of-bsu-were-informed-about-the-negative-effects-of-drug-addiction>

❖ **Event on Gender Legislation in Azerbaijan**

An academic event discussed the development of gender legislation in Azerbaijan, promoting gender equality, legal awareness, and inclusive social policies. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/baku-state-university-hosts-event-on-the-development-of-gender-legislation-in-azerbaijan>

## 2) Data Protection Notices (including Staff Data Protection Notice)

General Data Protection Notices – UCC:

❖ **Conference on Preservation of Traditional Values and Family Institution**

Baku State University organized a conference emphasizing the role of family and traditional values in education, highlighting their importance in shaping national identity and supporting sustainable social development. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/conference-at-bsu-on-the-preservation-of-traditional-values-and-the-family-institution-as-an-important-factor-in-the-educational-process>



#### ❖ **Role of National Courts in Prosecuting International Crimes**

An academic discussion at BSU explored how national courts contribute to prosecuting individuals accused of international crimes, strengthening legal accountability and justice mechanisms. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/role-of-national-courts-in-prosecuting-individuals-accused-of-international-crimes-discussed-at-bsu>

#### ❖ **Scientific Seminar on Constitution and Sovereignty**

A seminar dedicated to the “Year of Constitution and Sovereignty” focused on promoting constitutional awareness, legal education, and the importance of state independence. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/scientific-seminar-dedicated-to-the-year-of-the-constitution-and-sovereignty-held-at-bsu>

#### ❖ **Law Forum on AI as an Inventor in Patent Law**

A legal discussion forum examined the possibility of recognizing artificial intelligence as an inventor in patent law, addressing emerging challenges in technology and intellectual property. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/law-discussion-forum-at-bsu-recognition-of-artificial-intelligence-as-an-inventor-in-patent-law>

#### ❖ **Event Dedicated to Constitution Day of Azerbaijan**

BSU hosted an event celebrating Constitution Day, reinforcing the significance of constitutional principles, rule of law, and civic responsibility. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/event-dedicated-to-the-constitution-day-of-the-republic-of-azerbaijan-held>

Staff Data Protection Notice:

#### ❖ **BSU Legal Clinic Expands Its Activities**

Baku State University’s Legal Clinic broadened its services by providing free legal assistance to vulnerable groups, including low-income families and victims of cybercrime, while also organizing trainings and awareness programs to strengthen legal literacy and civil society. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/bsus-legal-clinic-expands-its-activities>

#### ❖ **Scientific Seminar on “Peacekeeping Azerbaijanis”**

A seminar at BSU highlighted Azerbaijan’s role in international peacekeeping, emphasizing contributions to regional stability, global security initiatives, and cooperation with international organizations such as NATO. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/scientific-seminar-on-peacekeeping-azerbaijanis-held-at-bsu>

### 3) **Designation of Data Protection Officer / Information Compliance Manager**

Data Protection Officer details:

#### ❖ **Presentation of the Electronic Information Database**

Baku State University hosted a presentation of an electronic database dedicated to the history of Azerbaijan’s Victory, aimed at preserving national memory and promoting historical knowledge through modern digital technologies. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/presentation-of-the-electronic-information-database>



❖ **Research on AI in Labor Law**

Research conducted at BSU explored the application of artificial intelligence in labor law, focusing on improving legal processes, addressing emerging challenges, and adapting legislation to technological advancements. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/research-conducted-at-bsu-on-the-application-of-artificial-intelligence-in-labor-law>

**4) Data Subject Rights & Consent Principles (in Policy)**

As outlined in UCC's Data Protection Policy under data subject rights and consent sections:

❖ **10th Anniversary of the Student Law Journal**

BSU celebrated the 10th anniversary of its Student Law Journal, recognizing its role in promoting student research, academic writing, and legal scholarship. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/the-10th-anniversary-of-the-establishment-of-the-student-law-journal-was-celebrated-at-bsu>

❖ **GDPR Personal Data Breach Procedures (UCC)**

The document outlines procedures for managing personal data breaches, including detection, reporting, risk assessment, and response measures to ensure compliance with GDPR and protect individuals' data rights. For more information click the link:

<https://www.ucc.ie/en/media/support/ocla/compliance/gdpr/PersonalDataSecurityBreachManagementProceduresv2.0.pdf>

**5) Personal Data Security Breach Procedure (Example of Operational Procedure)**

❖ **Meeting with Social Services Agency Representative**

A meeting with the head of the Social Services Agency provided BSU students with insights into social protection systems, public services, and career opportunities in the social sector. For more information click the link:

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/news/the-department-head-of-the-social-services-agency-has-met-with-bsu-students>