



**University Innovation Programme
3rd Edition
Climate Solutions**

What is Expo Live?



Expo Live is an **innovation** and **partnership** programme launched by Expo 2020 Dubai to **fund**, **accelerate** and **promote** creative **solutions** that improve lives while preserving our planet.

Expo Live embodies the bold vision for Dubai and the UAE, a diverse and open nation, which is actively working to become a one of the leaders in **innovation** and the **promotion** of a **knowledge economy**.

University Innovation Programme Overview

Expo Live's University Innovation Programme (UIP) incentivizes creative thinking, problem solving and collaboration between university students in order to address global issues.



University Innovation Programme

The programme rewards innovative and promising solutions that can be accelerated through the innovation curve, moving from ideation to validation and prototyping.

- An opportunity to receive a grant of AED25,000.
- An opportunity for students to apply with their innovative ideas and concepts on how to solve social or environmental challenges.
- The upcoming application cycle will focus on climate related solutions in alignment with the UAE's year of sustainability.



Previous cycle



Applications

1,000+ students
from 40+ universities



Evaluations

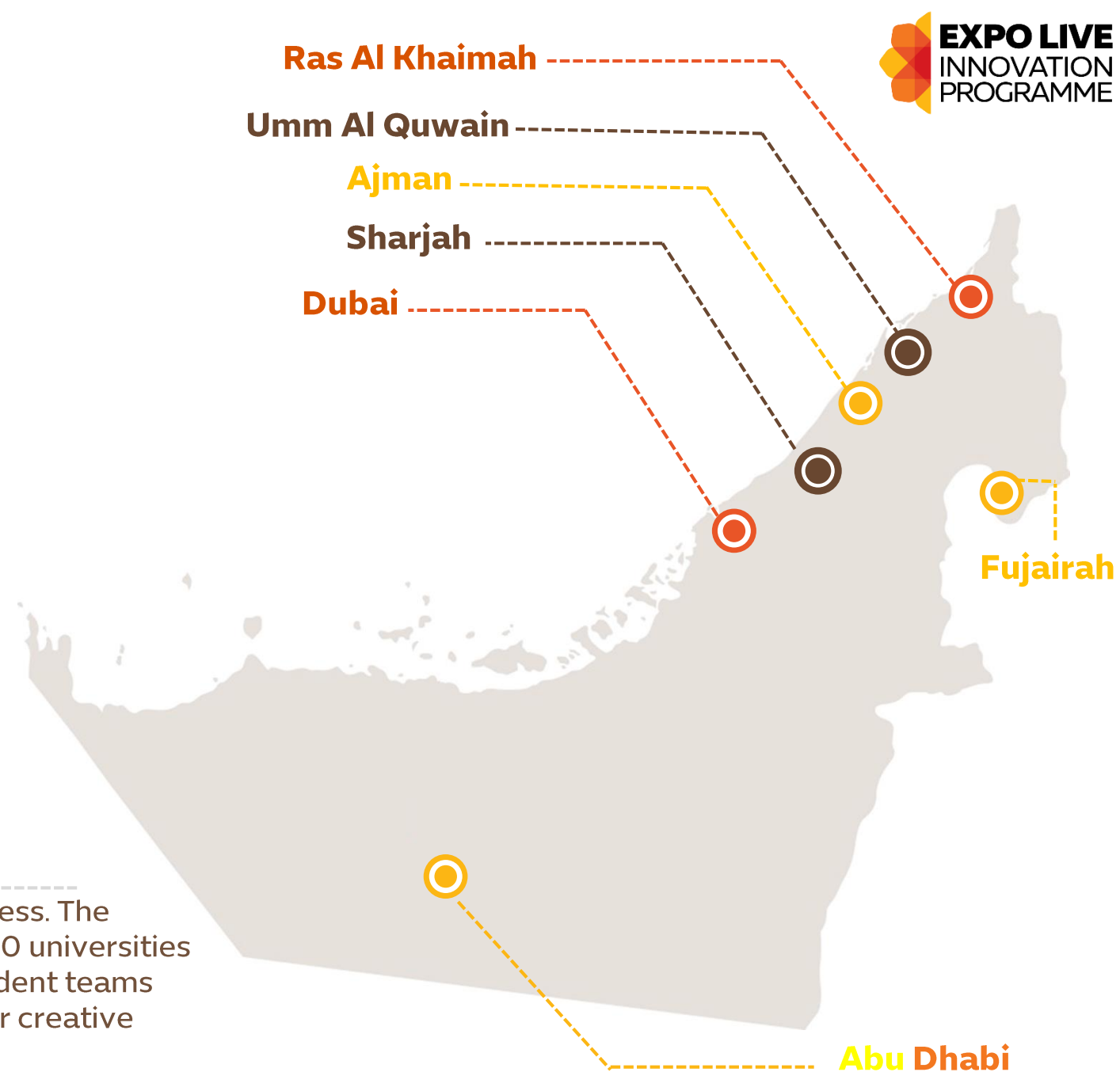
130+ volunteer
professors involved



Grantees

46 Teams supported
from 19 universities

Since the UIP was launched in 2017, it has made a great progress. The programme has received over 1000 applications from over 40 universities during the 2 cohorts in the UAE; out of which a total of 46 student teams from 19 universities were awarded with the grant to take their creative solutions to the next level.



Eligibility Criteria



UAE University students



Idea & Prototype level



Climate solutions

- This programme targets undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled in a UAE-based university in any discipline.
- Groups of 3 students.
- Each group will be eligible to submit one proposed solution per cycle.
- An academic mentor can facilitate more than one group of students.
- No restrictions on number of applications from each university.

Structure Timeline



11th of September, 2023

Fill out an application form available online
<https://www.expocitydubai.com/en/innovation>

Send your application



9th of October
Application closes

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4th of November, 2023

Shortlisted groups will be invited to attend a workshop to Meet Expo City Dubai Experts who will validate their idea

Qualified to 2nd stage: workshop



2nd of December, 2023

Pitch your projects to an expert Evaluation Committee

Pitch your idea at COP28



31st of July 2024

It is time to implement your idea!

Six months to bring your idea to life!

Cohort 3



- **With a keen interest on topics such as:**

- Food Systems
- Energy Transition
- Renewables Scaling
- Waste Management
- Water Management
- Land Use and Restoration
- Decarbonization
- Transport
- Health Systems
- Transparency & Accountability
- Disaster Relief
- Ocean & Coastal Areas

Thank you!