

Agricultural University of Athens

Department of Natural Resources Development and Agricultural Engineering

MSc: Digital Technologies and Smart Infrastructures in Agriculture

Appendix M1.1 Quality Policy MSc Digital Technologies and Smart Infrastructures in Agriculture

The Quality Assurance Policy of the Department of Natural Resource Management is fully aligned with the Quality Policy of the Agricultural University of Athens, making the Department of NRD & AE entirely focused and committed to providing high-quality higher education to the students who choose it. It organizes and implements Undergraduate, Postgraduate, and Doctoral Programs with high academic standards and significant added value, in the most important fields of science within the Department. Furthermore, the Department aims to develop a creative research environment that encourages free scientific expression and work for all staff and members of its academic community.

The Department of NRM & GM is committed to applying this quality policy in the Postgraduate Program (MSc) it offers and will continue to offer in the future, implementing the quality processes outlined in the institution's Internal Quality Assurance System (IQAS), with the ultimate goal of its continuous improvement. Through this Quality Policy, the academic identity and orientation of the postgraduate program are strengthened, its goals and objectives are promoted, and specific annual objectives are set. The means and methods for achieving these objectives are also defined, ensuring the involvement of stakeholders in the evaluation and redesign processes.

Specifically, the Department implements processes and procedures for the continuous improvement of the MSc:

- a) Through the management of resources in a way that ensures a high level of specialization, providing students with appropriate staff and material resources.
- b) Through the continuous updating of quality objectives based on objective and measurable indicators.
- c) Through internal evaluation and assessment of the processes applied, which takes into account data collected regarding students, teaching staff, course organization, etc.
- d) Through the publication of information about the MSc in a dedicated section on the Department's website in Greek, with the English version of the website under construction.
- e) Through external evaluation and certification of the MSc according to the procedures of the Hellenic Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agency (HQA).