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Short Term Impacts



Immediate Improvements
in Quality of Life



Capacity Building and
Community Engagement



Pilot Testing and
Validation



Job Creation

Long Term Impacts



Transformative
and Scalable
Solutions



Strengthened
Resilience Against
Global Challenges



Sustainable
Economic
Development



Cultural Shift
Towards
Sustainability



Advancement of
Global Scientific
Knowledge



Institutional
Leadership
in Sustainability

CityUHK "FIRST" Programme

"CityUHK leads the FIRST Programme, an initiative aimed at developing affordable technologies in collaboration with global partners to promote sustainability and enhance the quality of life, particularly in underserved regions."

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Proposed Innovative Technologies and Key Activities



Four Innovative Technological Pillars for Underprivileged Countries



Passive Radiative
Cooling Coatings Using
Local Waste Materials for
Lowering Temperatures
of Houses



Affordable Printable
Solar Films for Generating
Electricity in Rural Areas



Biomass Waste-to-Energy
Conversion for
Circular Economy



Human-powered Sanitation
System for Generating
Potable Water

Visions



To Promote Sustainability
and Resilience



To Achieve Tangible Impact on
SDGs



To Foster Global Collaboration
and Capacity Building



To Create Lasting
Socioeconomic Benefits

Distribution of Partners

