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Abdullah Gül University (AGU) recognizes the detrimental effects of alien species on ecosystems and biodiversity. AGU is committed to minimizing the introduction and spread of alien species and mitigating their environmental impact. This policy aims to guide our organization in implementing effective measures to prevent, monitor, and manage alien species.

AGU will consider the following initiatives as part of this commitment:

1. **Prevention and Monitoring:** Our organization will take proactive measures to prevent the introduction of alien species into our facilities and surrounding areas. Regular inspections and risk assessments will be conducted to identify potential pathways of introduction, and appropriate prevention measures will be implemented.
2. **Education and Awareness:** AGU aims to raise awareness among students, staff, and visitors about the negative impacts of alien species and prevention strategies. Educational initiatives may be introduced to help the campus community understand their role in preventing the spread of invasive species.
3. **Supporting Native Species:** In addition to managing alien species, AGU will encourage practices that support native plant and animal species on campus. By promoting the growth of local flora and fauna, we aim to strengthen the campus ecosystem's resilience.
4. **Emergency Response Plan:** In cases where alien species are identified and pose an immediate threat, AGU intends to establish an emergency response plan. This plan will outline steps for quick intervention to control and mitigate the spread of invasive species.
5. **Partnership and Collaboration:** AGU recognizes the value of collaborating with local environmental protection organizations, municipal authorities, and relevant government agencies. By working with external stakeholders, we aim to enhance our efforts in managing alien species.
6. **Reporting and Transparency:** AGU is committed to transparency in its alien species management efforts. Regular reports on monitoring and management activities may be shared with the campus community and other relevant parties.

AGU is dedicated to continuous improvement in alien species management. This policy will be periodically reviewed to ensure alignment with evolving scientific knowledge, best practices, and regulatory requirements. Research and innovation in alien species management will be actively pursued to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of our efforts.

By implementing this alien species management policy, AGU aims to protect native ecosystems, preserve biodiversity, and minimize the environmental impact of alien species.