

Ambassadors for Europe





Abstract

The EC2U Forum is the biannual innovative dissemination event or "third space" where results and benefits of the EC2U Alliance are transferred and shared openly and effectively to a wide range of stakeholders, incl. the Associated Partners and local communities. The EC2U Forum thus provides the ideal context to promote dialogue with important influencers from the political world, academia, industry, education, city but also an enlightened debate with citizens, students, teachers in order to share experience reports and testimonials "pro Europe".

This deliverable lists all the activities performed during the period M1-M12 that belong to the creation of a legacy of EC2U Ambassadors for Europe. This initiative will continue to develop during the next two years, as reported in the next deliverables (M24 and M36).



















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I. Dialogue with important stakeholders to share 'Pro-Europe' experience

A. An exploratory exercise: "How to create an EC2U ecosystem?"

During the third EC2U Forum in Salamanca a specific session was organised on the topic "How to create an EC2U ecosystem". This session gathered a diversity of important influencers: Policy makers, members of the Academic Community, Socio-Economic Partners, and students of the EC2U Alliance. Dana Strauss, Work Package 7 Leader, introduced the session by an overview of the results of the first EC2U Think Tank "Building a value-based community — Value4yourValues". Dana Strauss highlighted the key values gathered during the first think tank, detailed below:

PERSONAL VALUES

- Self-Direction
- Helping people
- Treating people equally
- Security

PROFESSIONAL VALUES

- Job Security
- Excellence
- Well-being
- Growth
- Resilience

SOCIETAL VALUES

- Freedom of Opinion
- Peace
- Progress + Innovation

OBSTACLES

- Egoism
- Inequalities
- Materialism
- Lack of respect

SOLUTIONS

- More Respect
- More Environment Protection
- More Equality

Figure 1 : Overview of results during from the Value4yourValues think tank

The reader will find the full presentation in the section Annex 1: EC2U Think Tank "Building a value-based community – Value4yourValues".

This presentation was followed by an exploratory exercise that took form of a participatory brainstorming session, in which the attending stakeholders could openly express themselves. Ludovic Thilly, EC2U Coordinator, and Dana Strauss led this exercise with two main questions:

- What input(s) can you provide to the EC2U ecosystem?
- What actions do you dream of when thinking about an innovative and inclusive EC2U ecosystem in 2030?



















Participants were invited to write up their experiences, opinions, ideas, and share them with the members of the Alliance. This exercise encouraged dialogue regarding the European opportunities that come with the stakeholders' involvement in the Alliance. EC2U, from its projects to its people, is inherently European and strongly encompasses the 'European Values'.

The results of this exercise are presented below in points 2. Understanding the perceived role of the network of actors and 3. Considering the future of the Alliance and the 'Europe of tomorrow'. Qualitative analysis was used to visualize and better understand the "soft" data collected during the session. People are central to qualitative analysis and this method allowed the EC2U members to grasp the perceived culture of the Alliance as well as the shared European culture and values among the stakeholders. A decision was taken to analyse students independently from the academic community in order to perform a comparative analysis. These results will be used as a basis for constructing future materials to promote the Alliance, using the voice of the stakeholders involved in EC2U.

1. A common approach to consultation of a diversity of stakeholders

The goal of this session was not only to gather a diversity of influencers that contribute and are impacted by the EC2U Alliance, but to strengthen the Alliance's understanding of what EC2U brings to them and vice-versa. The EC2U Alliance is built upon the people involved and the various initiatives launched by the Alliance could not exist without this diversity of actors. Therefore, a participatory environment was key to ensure meaningful dialogue. The brainstorming exercise was used as a common approach of consultation by integrating different levels of governance in the discussion, a technic that moves away from the traditional analysis of actors.

2. Understanding the perceived role of the network of actors

The first question asked to all participants was: What input(s) can you provide to the EC2U ecosystem?

The aim of this question is to bring forth the experience of each stakeholder (Policy makers, the Academic Community, Socio-Economic Partners, and students) within the Alliance. This question helps EC2U better understand their perceived role and their experiences as part of a European Alliance.



















Below, the reader will find two tag clouds that provide a quick and meaningful analysis of the qualitative data collected in response to the question 'What input(s) can you provide to the EC2U Alliance?'. One tag cloud represents the feedback provided by students whereas the other represents the feedback given by the larger Academic Community. Note that tag clouds analyse the frequency at which words/concepts are used – the font size varies according to the frequency at which a word/concept is used (the larger the font, the more often the word/concept is used).

These tag clouds allow the viewers to identify main areas of perceived input from both students and the academic community as well as the relationships between the two. To summarise, both tag clouds show the accorded importance to 'Experience and expertise', 'Interculturality', and 'Engagement and commitment'.

The tag clouds below also highlight the shared values (as well as the perceived values of the EC2U Community), hence bring forth an EC2U common culture. This common culture could be resumed with certain words such as 'Erasmus', 'Mobility', 'Capacity' and 'Skills'. These values will therefore guide our next activities and the Alliance will strive to make the Community's vision a tangible experience.



Figure 2: Students tag cloud

















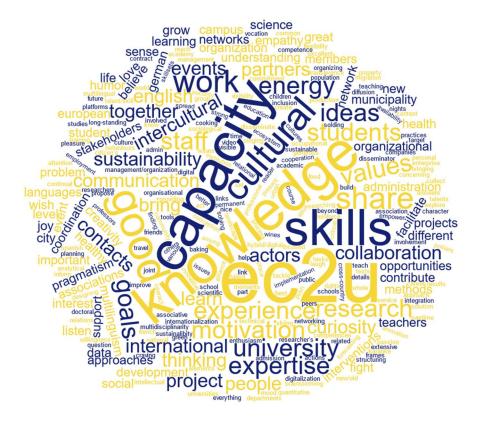


Figure 3: The Academic Community tag cloud

Refer to the detailed text data collected during the session in Annex 3: Results – What input(s) can you provide to the EC2U ecosystem.

3. Considering the future of the Alliance and the 'Europe of tomorrow'

The second question asked during this session was: What actions do you dream of when thinking about an innovative and inclusive EC2U ecosystem in 2030?

Though this exploratory and participatory exercise was directed at better understanding the perceived future of the Alliance, the results went beyond and provided the EC2U members with insights into how this pro-Europe project can be lived.

Below, the reader will find a list of elements that highlight how students and the Academic Community see the future of Europe and how they 'live' Europe. Note here that this is a qualitative analysis of the text data collected from the participants and is therefore inherently impacted by the subjective judgment of the entity analysing the non-quantifiable data.

















In no particular order:

STUDENTS

- Bring debate with all international students about the environment, global warming, education
- Comparison of different education systems to make a better one multicultural identity
- Further work on the European accreditation of programs (Phd, Msc, Bsc etc.) to effectively create European degrees and universities
- Promote student mobility within the European area
- Contribute to more equity for all citizens so education is not a privilege anymore
- Real project with sustainable environment in the EU
- Identify and find ways to support reforms regarding different problems
- Increase in internet connectivity will accelerate the design of new technologies
- European Citizens Initiative: Do you want this? What do you want for your daily life? Include citizens and municipalities in decision making

ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

- No more poverty
- Enough money and energy/electricity for heating/cooking to avoid health problems/infections
- Actions against inequality
- Permanent scientific and administrative positions / See value: Job stability
- Very clear joint understanding of main future challenges and values
- The achievement of the real European Spirit
- To support associations, non-academic actors, associate partners to actively participate in international projects, for example by helping them in submitting Erasmus + projects
- Openness and flexibility for all structures: government, university in order to cooperate without administrative obstacles
- Setting new, future-proof standards and methods in research; stability, innovation, fairness



















Refer to complete list of results in Annex 3: Results – What actions do you dream of when thinking about an innovative and inclusive EC2U ecosystem in 2023? (the sky is the limit).

B. Communicating results with all the stakeholders of the EC2U Consortium

The EC2U online platforms were used to share information on this session 'How to create an EC2U ecosystem' held during the third EC2U Forum in Salamanca.

1. EC2U Website

Information about this session was shared on the EC2U Website with an article dedicated to the different activities held during the Forum. A particular focus was given to this session:

"The participants were then received by Carlos Manuel García Carbayo, Mayor at the Salamanca City Hall, to discuss with all the partners about the creation of an EC2U ecosystem. Through a participative workshop, every attendee could give their opinions and suggestions on the inputs they could provide and the actions they dreamed to be established in the EC2U ecosystem by 2030."

Successful first face-to-face EC2U Forum in Salamanca'

2. Social media

This session was communicated on EC2U communication channels to highlight how the Alliance considers the voices of different stakeholders and show how this pro-Europe project is lived. See example below:



Figure 4: Screenshot of one of EC2U tweets about the event 'How to create an EC2U ecosystem'



















3. EC2U YouTube channel

The video of the session was published on the official EC2U YouTube channel. Access this video '3rd EC2U FORUM – 'How to create an EC2U ecosystem'.

















II. Accessible presentations to share EC2U activities related to Work Packages 4, 5, and 6 activities

A. Focusing on the links between education and research as an axis of common European initiatives

During the third EC2U Forum held in Salamanca, a session was dedicated to discussing how to enhance links between education and research. This hybrid session "Enhancing links between education and research" was open to all EC2U members as well as important stakeholders from the higher education environment, including Associated Partners, citizens, students, Policy makers, and actors from the academic community.

This conference was the opportunity to clearly present:

- The EC2U Alliance
- The Virtual Institutes related to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs)
- The research Project "Research & Innovation for Cities and Citizens RI4C2"

The dissemination level of the session was intentional as the goal was to precisely define the projects above-mentioned and create a wider sense of inclusion and relevance of the Alliance.

1. Presenting the Alliance and the RI4C2 project

The presentation of the EC2U Alliance was aimed at deepening the understanding of the Alliance and its activities, highlighting their impact on the EC2U Community. The choice of language, topics discussed, and material provided was deliberate to facilitate knowledge sharing across a diverse public. Ludovic Thilly, Coordinator of the Alliance, provided key facts and figures and brought forth the impactful projects of EC2U.

As speaker, Ludovic Thilly also presented the RI4C2 project with the aim of democratising this research project's mission and explained how RI4C2 is linked to EC2U.

Refer to the Annex 4 in this document to access this presentation.



















2. Presenting relevant themes from Work Packages 4 to 6 (Virtual Institutes)

This session focused on presenting the EC2U Virtual Institutes (VI) which are key activities relevant to the Work Packages (WP) 4, 5, and 6. Each Virtual Institute was presented by the WP Leader.

- Virtual Institute for Health and Wellbeing 'GLADE' presented by Prof. Daniela Soitu,
 Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi
- Virtual Institute for the Quality of Education presented by Pro. Dr. Raùl Sanchez Prieot,
 University of Salamanca
- Virtual Institute for Sustainable cities and communities 'VISCC' presented by Prof.
 Manuel Gameiro, University of Coimbra

This event was organised to highlight the objectives of each EC2U VI and lay the ground for understanding how these 'living labs' contribute to enhancing links between education and research.

A point of interest was the development of these Virtual Institutes based on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, the basis of which contributes to strengthening the culture and values of the Alliance, as well as the European Community. Indeed, these Virtual Institutes are part of the Alliance's mission to help implement the 2030 Agenda.

The presentations on each Virtual Institute are accessible in this present document in the section Annex 4: Presentations on the relevant themes from WP4-6.

B. Communicating these presentations with the EC2U Consortium and other stakeholders

1. EC2U YouTube Channel

This session was recorded and made accessible on the official EC2U YouTube channel. Watch this session '3rd EC2U FORUM - Enhancing the links between education and research'

2. Internal tools

As these presentations are adapted to a wide-ranging public, all presentations were made accessible for EC2U members to share across the Consortium and with other European











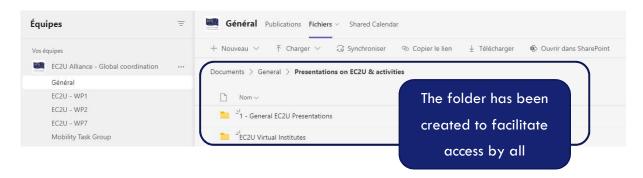








stakeholders. For example, these promotional materials are available on the shared tool Teams, under a general section which is open to all EC2U members.



















III. Promoting the EC2U Consortium and common European initiatives

A. Assessing the impact of European Universities — a roundtable with key stakeholders of this European Initiative

During the third EC2U Forum in Salamanca, a session on "Assessing the impact of European Universities?" was the opportunity for members of the European Commission, the Coimbra Group, the ECIU University, and the European University Association to discuss the future of Higher Education in a European context. Speakers included: Emily Palmer - Una Europa, Olga Wessels – ECIU, Emmanuelle Gardan - Coimbra Group, Anna-Lena Claeys-Kulik – EUA, Tine Delva – DG EAC & Stijn Delauré – DG RTD.

This round table, introduced and led by Ludovic Thilly, allowed speakers to voice their experiences in the field of higher education. For example, Olga Wessels talked about European Alliances' impact at different levels from higher education to the wider society; Anna-Lena Claeys-Kulik gave an overview on the different challenges and how best Europe can empower Alliances. Refer to deliverable D8.7 EC2U Forum for further information on this session.

B. Communicating with all stakeholders with accessible promotional materials

1. EC2U Website

This session was communicated via an article on the EC2U Website (see below). To guarantee transparency, knowledge sharing, and accessibility the PowerPoint (PPT) presentations used by the external speakers are available on the website.

"The 2nd day of the Forum started with a round table entitled "How to assess the impact of European universities?". After the broadcasting of an introductory video of Frédérique Vidal, French Minister for Higher Education, Research and Innovation, the representatives from other alliances and networks gave their views on the given topic:

Emily Palmer, Secretary-General, Una Europa, (PPT presentation)

Olga Wessels, Head of Brussels Office, ECIU (PPT presentation)

Emmanuelle Gardan, Director, Coimbra Group (PPT presentation)

Anna-Lena Claeys-Kulik, Policy Coordinator, EUA (PPT presentation)



















Speakers from the European Commission also made a presentation on the progress and transformational impact potential of the European Universities initiative (<u>PPT presentation</u>)

Tine Delva, Deputy Head of Unit, Higher Education, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture

Stijn Delauré, Policy Officer, Academic Research and Innovation, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation"

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2. Social media posts

This event was highly communicated on by the EC2U Alliance, on various communication channels i.e. Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Additionally, external speakers posted on their social media channels hence contributing to the impact of this session.







Figure 5: Social media posts by EC2U on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook (from left to right)



















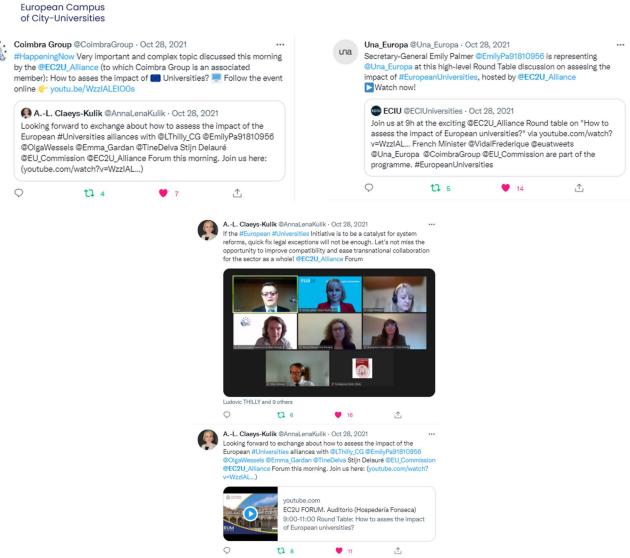


Figure 6: External speakers tweet on the roundtable 'How to assess the impact of European universities?'

3. Accessible graphic recordings for all stakeholders in the Consortium

This session was also captured by graphic recordings (see images below) that highlight key content discussed during the conference. These recordings aim at facilitating people's understanding by sharing ideas in an innovative and inclusive manner. This method was selected for this session to provide clear and creative communication on a topic that can be considered specialist yet that is at the heart of the European Universities initiative.

















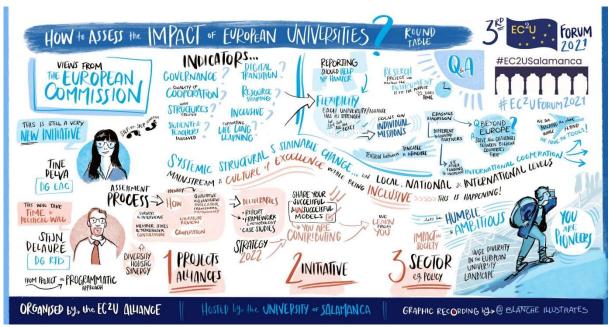


Figure 8: Graphic recording by Blanche Ellis on the session 'How to assess the impact of European universities?'



Figure 7: Graphic recording by Blanche Ellis on the session 'How to assess the impact of European universities?

These recordings were shared across the EC2U communication channels notably via the EC2U website and on social media.

4. EC2U YouTube Channel

This session was recorded and made accessible on the official EC2U YouTube channel. Watch this session '3rd EC2U FORUM - Round Table "How to assess the impact of European universities"



















IV. Annexes

A. Annex 1: EC2U Think Tank "Building a value-based community — Value4yourValues"





Findings of the 1st EC2U Think Tank Building a value-based community

April/May 2021)

3rd EC2U Forum Salamanca, 28/10/2021

1. IDEA & IMPLEMENTATION

- The 1st Think Tank was developed on the subject of values the
 core of all human actions, including education, research,
 networking, engagement and collaboration in society.
- The purpose of the Value4yourValues Think Tank was to measure the perceptions of the member of the EC2U Alliance towards
 - personal, professional and societal values,
 - together with perceived obstacles and solutions for actively living individual values.
- Online survey translated into nine languages; 6th-30th April 202; ~ 1.400 participants

The survey is based validated scales for measuring perceived values at each level. It however was not designed as scientific study. The composition of the sample does not allow us to generalize results.

















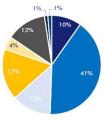


2. PARTICIPANTS

CURRENT RESIDENCY

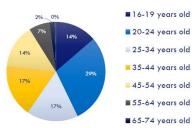
GENDER

AGE











- 35-44 years old
- 45-54 years old
- 55-64 years old ■ 65-74 years old



3. PERSONAL VALUES

How important are the following values for you personally?



Most important

- Self-Direction
- Helping people
- Treating people equally
- Security





















4. PROFESSIONAL VALUES

At your current or last job: What are the values which (most) people act on ?



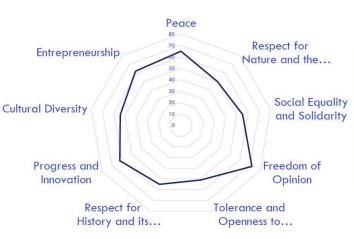
Most important

- Job Security
- Excellence
- Well-being
- Opportunity for growth
- Resilience



5. SOCIETAL VALUES

In your country: What are the values which (most) people act on?



Most important

- Freedom of Opinion
- Peace
- Progress + Innovation













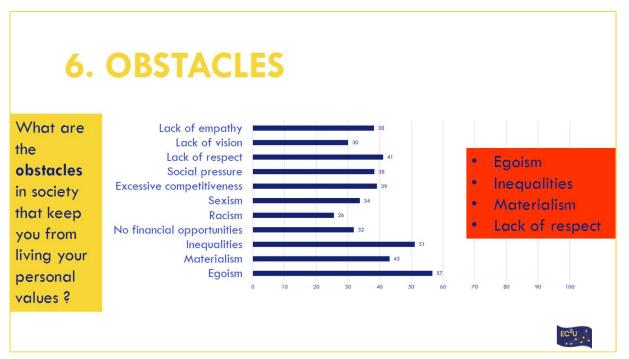






























8. AT A GLANCE

PERSONAL VALUES

- Self-Direction
- Helping people
- Treating people equally
- Security

PROFESSIONAL VALUES

- Job Security
- Excellence
- Well-being
- Growth
- Resilience

SOCIETAL VALUES

- Freedom of Opinion
- Peace
- Progress + Innovation

OBSTACLES

- Inequalities
- Materialism
- Lack of respect

SOLUTIONS

- More Respect
- More Environment Protection
- More Equality



9. REFLECTIONS Building a value-based community – how to?

- Let's be loud & clear. We do share values. Let's state them loud and clear.
- Use the "most wanted". Two recurrent themes emerging from the survey are respecting each other and environmental protection – these could be focal points for future actions (→ 2nd Think Tank "Circular Economy").
- Mind the tree. We need to create activities and communication messages with a common value basis ("the trunk"). We also need different "branches" as differences in perceptions of values exist in terms of age and gender. We need to act for both present and future generations of students and citizens, which means activities and communication need to be adjusted accordingly.
- Networks need to be built. The connections between academia, citizens, municipalities and companies should be strengthened systematically.

...and we should continue the European dialogue together!























"What was most impressive for me is the by and large enormous similarity of countries in terms of judgements on viable solutions. I thought that this is encouraging when aiming at European solutions." Prof. Peter Noack, University of Jena

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B. Annex 2: Results – What input(s) can you provide to the EC2U ecosystem

INPUT FROM EC2U STUDENTS

Passion for intercultural and		
interdisciplinary		
collaborations in research		

My curiosity for others and new knowledges

Curiosity and open-minded approach to get to know the people and motive behind data and project proposal

Research interest and academic input in crosscultural studies and study design

To crave for learning and sharing knowledge

To help promoting different EC2U events to students

My energy and volunteering to participate to the ecosystem

Experience in citizen science projects

To share information about EC2U among students so they can participate as well (via Erasmus coordinators, student councils etc)



















My engagement to international relationships Being a Sociology student, I believe that my researchmaking and doing is really strong when it comes to social analysis. Also team building activities are something I love doing, coordinating and participating in. I'm very sociable so I can bring love and friendship to the community

- -Youth and fresh ideas
- -Commitment to achieve goals and help the other students and associated partners
- -Swim skills and expertise in classical music (played violin for 8 years)
- -Extrovert and good communication
- -Love for Europe, its values, project and ideal
- -The will to make education and mobility better and more accessible

- -Great communication skills
- -Sport skills
- -Environmental concerns and solutions

Curiosity for different cultures

- -Interculturality
- -Ideas for strong boundaries across boarders
- -Knowledge/idea of what is important for young people
- + students

As a student I can bring a different perspective of the reality, in order to develop new and more accurate projects

- -Intercultural exchange of experiences
- -Represent students needs
- -Zest for action
- Students perspective
- -Great interest in sustainable future (such as own and next generations)
- -Knowledge from my study field, since I study psychology with the specialization of work, education and society -Helping to optimize working
- processes
- -Evaluate and check ideas/proposals from a psychology point of view and if they are really sustainable

Language and culture knowledge

Dedication to the cause

Motivation for what we are doing

Curiosity

My engagement in favour of a more co-educated society



















My need to learn new things in various fields

The interest for languages, cultures of different countries (and how to learn or get to know them) Assisting academic staff and policy makers to make decisions and propositions that are realistic and adapted to the reality of student life, actual possibilities on campus, answering to students expectations and consideration of student's health

- -Cultural and study initiatives
 -Workshops organized and
 led in collaboration with
 staff and Academic
 Community
 -Active participation in
- -Active participation in conferences

A different approach and an expertise study/research subjects

Communicate the student's needs and compare them to the established concepts and see if there are parallels or it is missing

-Improve intercultural communication -Ways of enhancing

interaction and overcome obstacles (also on a linguistic level)

My experience as a student in different universities (Erasmus) and in the campus

The perspective of a student specializing in biodiversity research and make restauration



















INPUT FROM EC2U ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

Full commitment to EC2U values	Joint collaboration (x2)	Academic common goals
The use of multilinguism	Service vocation	High motivation
Multilinguism	Be an EC2U disseminator in my academy	Searching for more partners
-Facilitate the collaboration via my intercultural approach -Bring new ideas for research and education	Propose new ideas concerning students' professional integration	-Energy -Joy -Good will -Great work -Multidisciplinarity
Karaoke	Expertise in doctoral training administration	Expertise about employment and career planning
My knowledge in student administration and admission process	-Good mood -Interest in learning and teaching -Will to travel -Know new/old cultures	-Knowledge -Being a part of a whole -Empathy -Ideas for the present and the future
-High motivation to explore the opportunities -Extensive knowledge of the European Science landscape	-Teach people cross-country skiing	To push for more sustainable actions and behaviours in my institution
-Motivation -Sense of humor -Enthusiasm -Sense of involvement -Forecasting	To support the networking among different stakeholders, organizing events, providing platforms	-Facilitate the implementation of the tasks of EC2U to reach the goals -Great organisational skills



















to share opportunities and ideas

- -Joy
- -Results
- -Availability
- -Flexibility
- -Time, healthy life
- -A will to listen and act to find the best solution for those involved

-Communication and beyond

-Make the world a better place (and my craving skills)

- -Frames
- -Experience
- -Learning approaches
- -Research & innovative
- approaches

- -Nights & days
- -Knowledge
- -Myself
- -Soft skills
- Collaboration with companies

Singing together

- -Long-standing experience in science management and organizational development
- -Capacity to build networks
- -Contacts
- -Curiosity and interest to work in the EC2U ecosystem
- -Languages

- -Collect all the actors at the level of the University of **Poitiers**
- -Share events, contacts, good practices etc (enterprise, municipality, associations etc)
- -Obj: To be a strong community (city + university, stakeholders etc)
- I have many skills that are important for internationalization and I think are important for bringing people together: intercultural competences, understanding and empathy, communication skills, creativity, motivation, migration studies, inclusion, experience in international relations.
- -Languages: Spanish, English, German
- -Digitalization
- -Transference of knowledge to different fields

- -Intercultural competence in hybrid/digital context
- -Knowledge about digital tools
- -Knowledge and experience in the field of international multilingual project coordination
- -Event
- management/organization
- -French, English, German
- I would like to spread the wonds of the EC2U project between the university members - students, teachers and staff
- -Capacity to learn and grow in any field
- -Capacity to fight for the goals in which I believe
- -Generous character
- -Curiosity for everything
- -Capacity to listen



















-Organizational skills -Very good English -Willingness to work overtime	-My humor -My pleasure to laugh with friends, to share nice moments	My love for good food and good wines, my cooking talents
My energy and the energy of my children	Conception and organization for cultural projects	Organization and technical support in video production
Solding more partners to EC2U Alliance	My contacts with actors of public health	Link researchers with municipality staff and contribute to brainstorming
Inform the population about urban heat waves and how to tackle that problem	Bring researcher's methods to schools by designing a school research project	-Structuring texts -l am an excellent reader -Baking
-Pragmatism -Curiosity	-Visibility network -Learn from others	Sociological thinking
-Communication skills to empower + cooperation -Event coordination to make EC2U and its values visible	-Research projects, data & interventions on occupational health (e.g. in universities) -Healthy campus	-Contribute to a green EC2U (sustainability, sustainability, sustainability, sustainability)
-Creativity -Capacity to work with passion -Capacity to interact with people from any field -Social skills -Capacity to help and serve -Capacity to learn and grow -Capacity to fight for a good in which I believe	-The continual wish to improve my talent/skill set and question the various elements (critical thinking) -Share knowledge and skillsets to work together	-Understanding of value diffusion in international networks -And of course, the personal wish to share EC2U values with peers
-Love for quantitative methods (finding answers in data for	-Permanent contract to be able to bring all my talent and energy to EC2U	-We can reinforce the links between culture





-Create target group focused

any issues)

-Interventions





and energy to EC2U

not professors

-Scientific & Admin staff

security for those who are





departments and cultural

students association and

citizen's cultural associations

between culture







-l can try to disseminate the goals of EC2U "between the university members students — teachers — staff"

- -My knowledge about cultural events or student life
- -Animation 1/3

- Expertise on Cultural Rights related to EC2U values for European campus development
 Intellectual property expertise
- My network of actors and cultural & associative partners at city level but also national and relational one

- -Analytical thinking
- -Problem solving
- -Attention to details
- -Social
- -Pragmatism

C. Annex 2: Results – What actions do you dream of when thinking about an innovative and inclusive EC2U ecosystem in 2023? (the sky is the limit)

PROPOSALS FROM EC2U STUDENTS

European internship opportunities in the cities of the Alliance (make it more accessible)

- -Promote the EC2U values among students
 -Bring to the table the students' perspective and needs
 -International movie
- nights
 -Active listening and empathy
- -Bring debate with all international students about the environment, global warming, education -Comparison of different education systems to make a better one multicultural identity

Establish an organization strategy that involves better communication and transparency

Include students in the planning and organization, they are more motivated than one might think

More EC2U merchandise

Less talking, more acting. This time I was a bit disappointed about very abstract talking!

-Make a "mini-Erasmus" programme so that the students of the cities in the Alliance can

Conferences made by students, researchers and partners hand in hand on very strange and yet fascinating



















experience for about 2 weeks what is like to be a student in the other ones -International job fairs

subjects such as geopolitics of video games, economy of beer, human-ecosystem and animal interactions in universities

Cultural events so that each Alliance country can share and talk about their customs and traditions. This will provide a better understanding of eachother and break cultural barriers Linguistic activities: students, professors, citizens can come together to share and learn a new langage Training and networking: dynamic sessions to keep everyone informed so that we can develop personal faceto-face relations

- -Further work on the European accreditation of programs (Phd, Msc, Bsc etc.) to effectively create European degrees and universities
- -Include students in Work pacages

Cheap transportation between the campus

Winter schools where everyone travel to eachother's country for a few weeks to learn the language and culture, meet and be friend with people of other horizons -Promote student mobility within the European area -Create an online platform (website) to promote exchange

-Interdisciplinary courses and seminaries on various topics will come in help to widen the students' knowledge -Intercultural, extracurricular activities should be organized

A better mix between staff, students and professors

Express the students' needs, since this project is for students and should be good in practice, not only in theory

-Manage to do all kind of Masters with EC2U -Create mobility internships, where the worker can do internships in different countries Founding an EC2U publishing service to jointly publish research

EC2U going global! EC2U Forum 2029 in Seoul! -Contribute to more equity for all citizens so education is not a privilege anymore -EC2U welfare approach?

Easier mobility between those universities

Launching also bachelors and Phd programms

Having meetings more often than annual



















Granting EC2U travel funds to citizens that are not part of universities

A funding system giving stipendia to students

-Real project with
sustainable environment
in the EU
-To create an ecologic

way to travel

To have an inclusive campus, you need an inclusive decision making board

- -Creating an unique European Campus by opening new master's degrees -Identify and find ways to support reforms regarding different problems -Increase in internet connectivity will accelerate the design of new technologies
- -Include students in planning and Work Packages -(At least) yearly EC2U week with workshops & think tanks
- -Green universities
 -Happy news broadcoast
 made by students and staff
 (to create a happy
 environment and a close
 relationship)
 -Some opportunities in the
 different cities
 -More investigation between
 the universities
 -Sport competitions

Create a "social media" part on the EC2U website to improve communication and stay in touch

- -EU money for realization -European Citizens Initiative: Do you want this? What do you want for your daily life? Include citizens and municipalities in decision making
- -Advertising the Alliance
 -Low-level introduction to
 contemporary scientific
 discussions (breaking it down
 to an easy level)
 -Accessibility (especially
 financially) People need to be
 able to go to the events from
 all over Europe

Access to language courses (all countries of the Alliance and even more) for everyone

A great communication between teachers/staff/policy makers and between the universities Recurrent meetings (even removed) between students/staff/teachers or conferences

A way to meet again like a recurrent thing to not lose the created links

- -Add European countries to the project
- -Create a real big link between universities
- -Everybody learned the common language -Everybody knows enough of all languages enrolled in EC2U
- -Associated partners required students' help
- -Real project with sustainable environment in the EU
- -Create an ecologic way to travel
- -EC2U had many students involved in how to integrate



















and students required associated partners' help

more the students in the university life

A platform (online) where students, staff and teachers can interact and exchange in different subjects

- -Involve more the students, because they are the next generation -Collaborate more with students' associations and support them in their activities
- -Logistic organization (program, meal, welcoming, hosting, visiting, driving) -Translation of informations and documents -Proposition, organization of workshops and debates in

order to build a project proposition that will be seriously considerated

A very inclusive EC2U Family with a balance of disable, rich, poor, "able" students, professors and other officials to make sure that ALL needs are taken into account. Not only the privileged ones!

A month summer cycle of EC2U conferences where all the people in this room and more to come participate to interdisciplinary and multilinguistics events, where citizens debate with researchers, where students teach stuff to policy makers, where associations bring joy and knowledge to the 50 universities in the program. German people speak in Polish with Spanish and Finnish people speaks Portugese

-24/7 online campus where students can interact, chit-chat, share their tips, experiences, fears, advice, stress
-European sports events among the universities' teams
– like a championship
-A course on stereotypes + myths regarding each nationality

-Have a study buddy from

another university

people speaks Portugese with French.

Network with a german Le

Hard work, ambitious people, never giving up helped us creating the most influential and unitary campus, helping students receive jobs and also lifeskills. Combining travelling and learning EC2U became the biggest educational centre in Europe

Network with a german student association and an international foundation with other universities & students Letting students and nonteaching academic staff having real and concrete responsibilities and implications within EC2U functioning and decisionmaking process



















-A mix of students and searchers to learn even more -More actions to learn languages of the Alliance in a simple way Generosity to share research opportunities (live open science to the core) -l can try to disseminate the goals of EC2U "between the university members-students-teachers-staff"
-Reinforce the links between culture departments and cultural students association and citizens' cultural

associations

PROPOSALS FROM EC2U ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

The coordinator of EC2U becomes president of European Union

To have a lot of EC2U couples and babies

To have airports with direct fly in each city or teleportation

- Everybody riding a bicycle
- -Children and elderly playing in the parks
- -Some products of agriculture
- -Sustainable and easier ways to travel between the EC2U cities
- -Citizens on board, city partnerships
- -Not only a project for some years: make EC2U be sustainable, long-term funds, permanent contracts
- -No more poverty
- -Enough money and energy/electricity for heating/cooking to avoid health problems/infections

Decision makers meet once a week with researchers and follow their advices

Satisfaction for a big EC2U family

The first EC2U couples and kids

Friendly Horizontal Team work Real European approach for Joint degrees

No legal obstacles among universities

We have a theatre group and an orchestra with actors and musicians from all our cities and a private TV All participants determination to succeed

Permanent scientific and administrative positions See value: Job stability



















Being a multidisciplinary
Alliance to reach all staff and
students and involve them

- -Airships (dirigible balloons) to link all the cities
- -Automatic translation in the 7 languages
- -A truly joint planning
- -Actions against inequality

The EC2U universities will have the same rules / function / constraints / the same documents

Transnational degrees of EC2U

All other universities in european alliances decided to join EC2U

Applied Quality Education

To organize Joint EC2U Sport Leagues

The capacity of searching together

EC2U working plans applied to the other continents

Very clear joint understanding of main future challenges and values The achievement of the real European Spirit

Personal relations and individual exchange of students, researchers, citizens etc.

To launch Joint call for ideas, to organize festivals, fairs, cultural events involving all the EC2U citizens

-Student focused
-Centered on their val

-Centered on their values, missions, desires!

All governments supported (FULLY!) EC2U

No national borders

Equity in participating universities and countries

TRANSPARENCY
Be honest, down to earth and believe in each-other
RESPECT

An horizontal governance board, where ideas are at the heart of decisions and not "people" A joint performance group between universities; theatre, music and share the new way of creation

We have been able to solve differences in national legislations in establishing new degree programs

- -Create places of getting-together that are close to home and
- -Shared EC2U gardens
- -Associating cafés -Invent an EC2U beer
- -Functional campus
- -Shared services
- -Common courses
- -Blended EC2U curriculum

Create actions / associations that go beyond the Alliance

To support associations, non-academic actors,

-Relations between science and society



















and allows students, teachers to act according to their values E.g. Help underprivileged children and provide quality education associate partners to actively participate in international projects, for example by helping them in submitting Erasmus + projects -Link with younger people and pupils
-Use of videogames in the whole Alliance to connect people from different

countries

Each university has hundreds of active company-partners that collaborate with all the Alliance

My imagination!
A never-ending list of dreams (that I believe can be made possible with collaboration, however crazy they may be)

Staff week:
To understand how our
partners work, communicate,
cultural features, academic
offers, organization (city,
university etc)

-Possibility to move from one place to another

-Equality between people, so all feel this is for them

Setting new, future-proof standards and methods in research; stability, innovation, fairness Much more resources: To have massive amount of initiatives, cooperation and possibilities

We had/have the best universities in the world

Openess and flexibility for all structures: government, university in order to cooperate without administrative obstacles
Our children/our grandkids can have the nationalities of all our countries

Dream: director "a multicultural play"

New profession: EC2U Adviser Imprint the EC2U logo on the moon for marketing reasons

-We achieved the climate goal of reducing CO2 emissions because of innovative projects in EC2U supporting this -We invented new methods of transport (teleportation) to support mobility

-Good communication is essential

-Good at finishing the right target groups internally and externally -Still will cause transparency and openness of EC2U -Everybody sharing knowledge: old people and children in the Plaza Mayor -Abolishment of hunger and acute diseases in the world because of science -New EC2U on the moon

Families can exchange their lifes (house, cars, work) for some months or years

-All alumni of our universities are deeply engaged to EC2U -Everyone in companies etc. know EC2U and want to be along EC2U began a new friendly city program and citizens started travelling to the cities in several different hobby groups and created new point groups







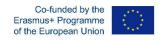












- -Close the gap between academic & real world (e.g. forum with science ted talks open for all citizens, focused on real world problems)
- -Design Thinking Approach
- -Road show around
 Europe presenting
 different patrimony and
 countries inventions
 -Development of a
 sustainable system to live
 and travel along the

various campus

in many fields

- -Joint bachelor, master and doctoral studies
- -Remove the distance barrier via an online community

Set up a customary codesign project to animate the 1/3 EC2U locations

- -Common research initiative in all fields of science -Quality meetings between local authorities and universities -Fully comptable curricula
- -Intellectual property
 expertise
 -Network of cultural and
 associative actors & partners
 at a city level but also at a
 national level

Organise a festival of students projects (cinema, digital art, performing arts) with all the universities with a research dimension ++ on inclusiveness and DDRS valuing the time meeting

Make audio podcasts on research projects to create shared and intercultural archives

Make the link between EC2U and a "Europe Creative" project in order to enhance professional integration in the cultural sector.

















D. Annex 3: Presentation of the EC2U Alliance and RI4C2 project

1. Presentation of the EC2U Alliance





The European Campus of City-Universities – EC2U

A pan-European multi-cultural and multi-lingual Alliance

Selected by the European Commission in the pilot phase of European Universities initiative (2020-2023)

under Erasmus+ Programme







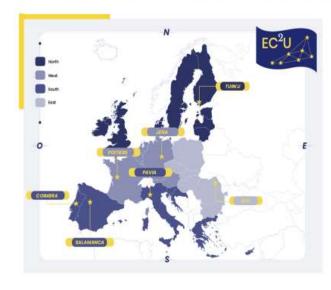








The European Campus of City-Universities - EC2U



7 Universities

- Coimbra (PT)
- Alexandru Ioan Cuza, Iasi (RO)
- Friedrich Schiller, Jena (GE)
- Pavia (IT)
- Poitiers (FR, Coordinator)
- Salamanca (SP)
- Turku (FI)

30 Associated Partners

- Cities
- Regional Govs & Agencies
- Students Associations
- Science parks & socio-economic actors











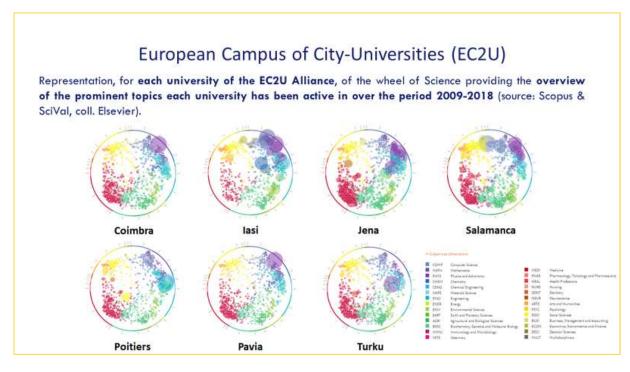




















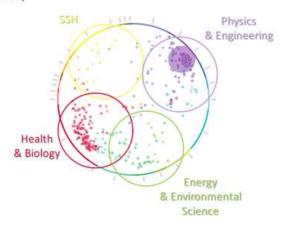






European Campus of City-Universities (EC2U)

Representation of the 1221 Research articles (and their prominent topics) jointly published by researchers from at least two (and up to five) EC2U universities over the period 2009-2018 (source: Scopus & SciVal, coll. Elsevier).





European Campus of City-Universities (EC2U)

THE GLOBAL GOALS

For Sustainable Development











































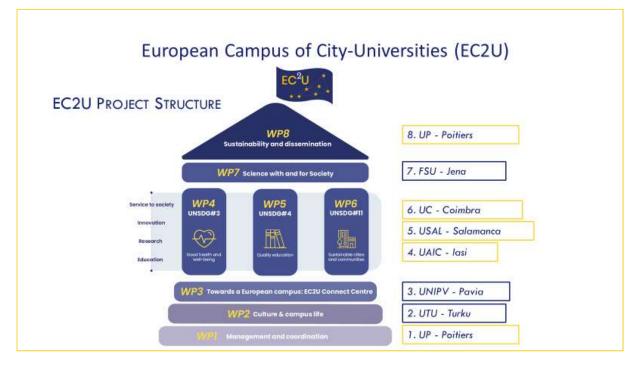


















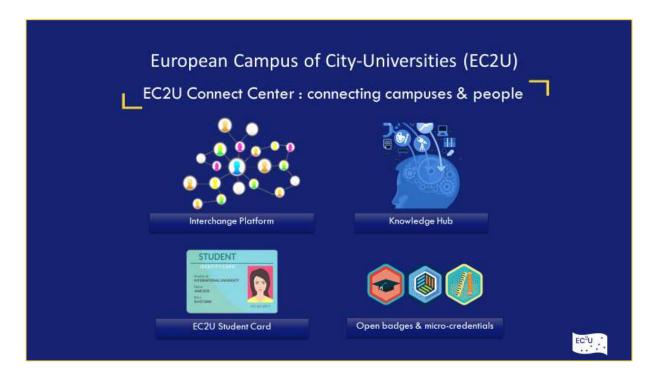






























European Campus of City-Universities (EC2U)

Addressing all missions of the Knowledge Square

3 Virtual Institutes (WP4-5-6)

- Education
- Research
- Innovation
- · Service to society
- Interdisciplinarity

3 EC2U Joint Master Programmes

- "Health & well-being": prevention, ageing, imaging, cancer
- "Quality education": multilingualisme, interculturality
- "Sustainable cities & communities": quality of air and water, energy, public policies





























2. Presentation of the RI4C2 project





The "Research & Innovation For Cities & Citizens – RI4C2" project:

- submitted by the EC2U Alliance in 2020
- awarded funding in the Horizon 2020 "Science with & for Society" call for Alliances of European Universities
 - Started on 01 Sept. 2021 (3 years)



















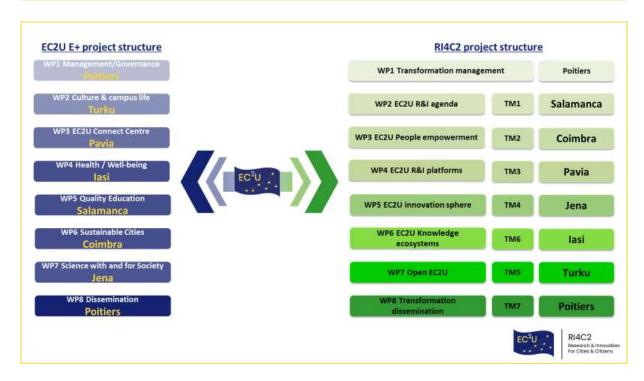




The "Research & Innovation For Cities & Citizens – RI4C2" project:

- extends the activities of the EC2U
 Alliance to the Research and
 Innovation fields
- is based on "Transformation Modules"























WP1: Transformation Management

(Leader: University of Poitiers)

- Project Management
- Roadmap for joint R&I activities
- Dialogue with EC2U Alliance governance
- creation of a Pan-European Knowledge Ecosystem





WP2: EC2U R&I Agenda (Leader: University of Salamanca)

Challenges:

- Research is widely internationalised, but the cooperation in innovation involves usually more local/national partners
- · Each university has its own and distinctive roadmap and strategy for R&I.

Main goals:

- To gradually align their R&I strategies
- To converge towards a common R&I agenda that will be more than the single sum of individual strategies

Impact:

- · Significant extension of the R&I capacity and impact of the EC2U Alliance
- · Important boost of R&I activities in the already existing 3 Virtual Institutes
- · Creation of additional new Virtual Institutes























WP3: EC2U People Empowerment (Leader: University of Coimbra)

Objectives

- To support researchers in the development of their career paths
- Ensuring balanced mobility (physical, virtual, blended) across the EC2U pan-European campus
- Guaranteeing equal oportunities for all

How?

- Definition of a reference framework aligned with the Human Resources Strategy for Researchers HRS4R label
- Development of a Researcher Career Development
 Scheme
- Empowering gender-underrepresented researchers and innovators





WP4: EC2U R&I Platforms (Leader: University of Pavia)

- Aims to offer digital support and digital coordination to the other WPs
- Expands the EC2U Knowledge Hub
- Provides dedicated technical facilities for populating and publishing dedicated databases using machine-readable tools that will generate content aggregations
- Performs a mapping of research infrastructures (incl. libraries and specific competencies) available within the EC2U Alliance to study the feasibility of shared R&I platforms.
- Collaborates in researching and collecting the existing gray litterature on policies within the seven universities, including topics like ethics of research, gender gap and researchers careers.













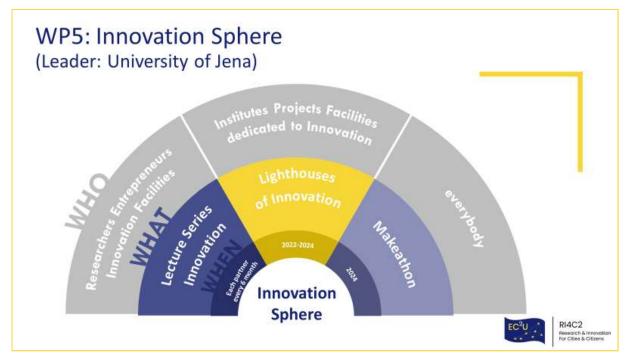










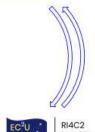


WP6: EC2U Knowledge Ecosystem

(Leader: University of lasi)

- Developing a Framework for 7 local knowledge ecosystems
- Identifying Champions and relevant topics in Citizen Science
- \Rightarrow Action plan for Citizen Science in the three EC2U Virtual Institutes
- Pilot living labs for Citizen Science



























WP7: Open EC2U

(Leader: University of Turku)

THE AIM IS TO:

- Uncover existing Open Science practices
- Construct comprehensive understanding of the Open Science practices
- Create and disseminate new Open Science practices

PRODUCED GUIDELINES AND TOOLS ARE:

- · Guidebook for Open Science champions
- Masterclasses on Open Science
- Open Science extension of EC2U Connect Centre





WP8: Transformation Dissemination (Leader: University of Poitiers)

R&I sessions at EC2U Forum (every 6 months at one EC2U university)



Coordination of the group of 24 Alliances selected in 2020 (FOREU2)

























E. Annex 4: Presentations on the relevant themes from WP4-6

1. Presentation of WP4 Virtual Institute











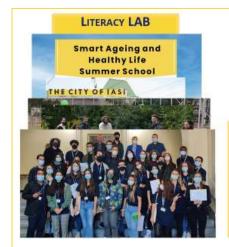












MANAGEMENT SERVICE FOR A HEALTHY CAMPUS

- peer tutor, peer buddy or peer mentor
- administrative support
- peer individual support
- online peer support group

VIRTUAL INSTITUTE FOR GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING: GLADE

2020-2021



Studies on lifelong wellbeing and healthy ageing

(October 2021)



VIRTUAL INSTITUTE FOR GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING: GLADE

2021-2022

LITERACY LAB

7 Itinerant conferences

wite (white systs)

1 Summer Schools

7 short trainings (video)

M18 (Amil 2022)

TRANSFORMATIVE RESEARCH HUB

1 Study on lifelong wellbeing and healthy ageing

October 2022)

1 Guideline for Local Authorities

Policy papers

MANAGEMENT SERVICE FOR A HEALTHY CAMPUS

Guidelines for campus management

(April 2022

ONLINE PEER COUNSELLING LAB FOR STUDENTS

Questionnaire on EC2U website

- peer tutor, peer buddy or peer men
- administrative support
 peer individual support
 online peer support group

MASTER PROGRAM LIFELINE

Promotional materials for the UFEUNE Master Programme

Personalised curriculum sets for the selected students



















2. Presentation of WP5 Virtual Institute





EC2U Virtual Institute for Quality Education

(VIQE)















Presentation of the virtual institute



VIQE combines education, research and innovation for advanced studies on quality education (pilot project profile: Language, Cultural and Societal Diversity in Europe)



Activities:

2021 Submission of a joint multilateral master's degree to the respective national o regional accreditation agency.

2021-2022 Research Seed Mobility Programme on Language and Cultural Diversity for researchers

2021-2023 Common research project "Language Policy and Multilingualism in European Universities"

2022-2023 Joint PhD training activities for existing PhD programmes





















Next activities

RESEARCH SEED MOBILITY PROGRAMME ON LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY

- Main aim: promotion of in-depth research collaboration among EC2U researchers.
- 294 mobilities (Nov. 2021-April 2023).
- Mobility grants will cover the attendance of researchers to working sessions aimed at preparing national and European R&D project applications.

RESEARCH PROJECT "LANGUAGE POLICY AND MULTILINGUALISM IN EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES"

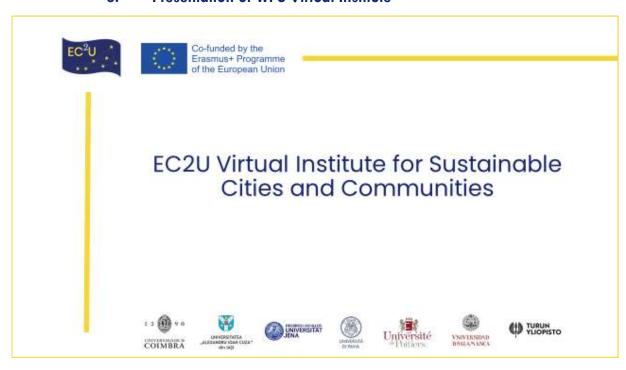
- Main aim: to study the current language policies of European Universities
- More than 15 researchers from the seven universities.
- Comparative and multidisciplinary approach to study language policy practices.

JOINT PHD TRAINING ACTIVITIES

- Two workshops for future university staff: "New multilingual learning and teaching spaces for European Campuses".
- Two PhD intensive courses on Machine Learning techniques and text processing tools applied to the study of linguistic diversity and cultural perception.



3. Presentation of WP6 Virtual Institute























Research Seed Project A

Increasing the resilience of sensible groups to the effect of heat waves in European cities, in a Climate Change scenario

Research Seed Project B

Preservation and retrofitting of historical university buildings with relevant cultural heritage

Gantt Chart

	M13-M15	M16-M18	M19-M21	M22-M24	M25-M27	M28-M30	M31-M33	M34-M36
Task 1								
Task 2			- 5					
Task 3								
Task 4								
Task 5								

FORESEEN INDICATORS

Indicators	
Presentations in conferences	3
Master Dissertations	1
Scientific papers	2
Seminars / workshops	1
Free mobility among the universities (physical, virtual, blended)	5

Workplan

Task 1 - Literature review

Task 2 - Installation of Monitoring Pilot

Task 3 - Collection of physical and subjective data

Task 4 - Data processing and analysis

Task 5 - Writing of Guidelines and Report





Increasing the resilience of sensible groups to the effect of heat waves in European cities, in a Climate Change scenario

TEAM EXPERTISES / RESEARCH AREAS

Expertise	University of Colmbra	University of last	University of Jens	University of Turks
Indoor environmental quality. Sustainable built environment, Energy markets and policies.	×			
Urban Planning, Spottal Analysis, Suntainable Tourisin, Water Quality		х		
Spatial Analysis, Geomorphology, Geography, Regional Innovation, Human Geography, Physical Geography			×	
Geography, Global Information Systems				×



Preservation and retrofitting of historical university buildings with relevant cultural heritage

TEAM EXPERTISES / RESEARCH AREAS

Expertise	University of Selamence	University of Pavis	University of Poitiers	University of Coimbre
Law and political science: Sustainability, urban planning, urban security and public government	×			
Architecture Technology. Sustainable reuse of historical buildings, within a multidisciplinary approach		×		
Science & Tech of the built environment. Transient heat transfer simulations of builtings (Conde Pleiades software)			×	
Indoor environmental quality. Energy efficiency of buildings and Univ. Campus				X



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