**Future of Higher Education – Bologna Process Researchers’ Conference**

**FOHE-BPRC 2014**

24 – 26 November 2014, National Library, Bucharest, Romania

**DRAFT DETAILED AGENDA**

**MONDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2014**

14:00 – 15:00 Registration of the participants and Welcome coffee

15:00 – 16:15 Opening Plenary – Role of research for policy making

*Remus PRICOPIE, Minister of National Education, Romania*

*Stefania GIANNINI, Minister of Education, Universities and Research, Italy / Diego BRASIOLI, Italian Ambassador to Romania (TBC)*

*Armen ASHOTYAN, Minister of Education and Science, Armenia*

*Dzulkifli Abdul RAZAK, President of the International Association of Universities*

16:15 – 16:30 Introduction to the conference

*Adrian CURAJ, General Director of the Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI); UNESCO Chair on Science and Innovation Policies, SNSPA*

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 19:00 Interactive roundtable – how can research best support higher education policy making

*Moderator: Liviu Matei; Participants: thematic coordinators of the nine parallel sessions*

19:00 Welcome cocktail and buffet (National Library)
TUESDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2013

08:30 – 10:00 Paper presentations and debates I (3 parallel sessions)

Financing and Governance (I)

Moderators: Liviu MATEI, Central European University, Budapest (Thematic coordinator)  
Cezar HĂJ, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI) (Thematic coordinator)

1. Patterns of funding the internationalization of higher education, Liviu Matei, Julia Iwinska (Central European University, Budapest)
2. Funding and restructuring the university sector in a context of global competition, Enora Pruvot, Thomas Estermann (European University Association)
3. The Evolving Landscape of South-east Asian Higher Education and the Challenges of Governance, Assoc. Prof. Sauwakon Ratanawijitrasin (Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Mahidol University, Thailand)
4. Influence of the funding models on the social dimension of higher education, Lea Meister, Asnate Kažoka (European Students’ Union)

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Internationalization (I)

Moderators: Ligia DECA, University of Luxemburg (Thematic coordinator)  
Fiona HUNTER, Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation (CHEI), Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan, Italy

1. Internationalization of Higher Education: Navigating between Contrasting Trends, Sarah Guri-Rosenblit (The Open University of Israel)
2. Internationalization Strategies and Policies in Second-Tier Higher Education Institutions, Hans de Wit (Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation (CHEI) at the Universita Cattolica Sacro Cuore, Milan, Italy), Miri Yemini (School of Education, Tel Aviv University, Ramat Aviv, Tel Aviv, Israel), Randall Martin (British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE), Canada)
3. Challenges of Student Mobility in a Cosmopolitan Europe, Janine Wulz, Florian Rainer (Austrian Students’ Union)

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Education, Research and Innovation (I)

Moderator: Marzia FORONI, Ministry of Education, University and Research, Italy (Thematic coordinator)  
Koen GEVEN, European University Institute, Florence

1. Tuning tools and insights for modern competence-based third-cycle programmes, Prof. Ann Katherine Isaacs (University of Pisa, Italy)
2. Doctoral programs: a bridge between higher education and research, Nicola Vittorio (University of Rome Tor Vergata)
3. Enhancing the quality of research in Europe: theoretical perspectives and guiding principles for researcher development, Professor Linda Evans (University of Leeds, United Kingdom)

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break

10:30 – 12:00 Paper presentations and debates I (4 parallel sessions)

Financing and Governance (II)
Moderators: Liviu MATEI, Central European University, Budapest (Thematic coordinator)
Cezar HÂJ, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI) (Thematic coordinator)

5. Funding mechanisms for current challenges in the EHEA: A comparative perspective, Mirela Vlăsceanu (National University of Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest)
6. Financing university research in post-communist EHEA countries, Ernő Keszei (Eötvös Loránd University Budapest, Hungary)
7. Policy Incentives and Research Productivity in Higher Education. An Institutional Approach, Lazăr Vlăsceanu (Department of Sociology, University of Bucharest, Romania), Marian-Gabriel Hâncean (Department of Sociology, University of Bucharest, Romania)

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Internationalization (II)
Moderators: Ligia DECA, University of Luxemburg (Thematic coordinator)
Fiona HUNTER, Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation (CHEI), Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan, Italy

4. Redefining internationalization at home, Jos Beelen (Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences School of Economics and Management), Elspeth Jones (Centre for Internationalisation of HE - CHEI, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan)
5. Does an International University’s Environment increase the Intercultural Competence in First Year Master Students?, Jeanine Gregersen – Hermans (University of Hull, UK)

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Education, Research and Innovation (II)
Moderators: Marzia FORONI, Ministry of Education, University and Research, Italy (Thematic coordinator)
Koen GEVEN, European University Institute, Florence
4. The problems of doctoral education in Armenia within the framework of Bologna reforms, *Lusine Fljyan* (Yerevan “Brusov” State University of Languages and Social Sciences, Armenia)

5. Education through research at CERN, *Dr. Alexandru Nicolin* (Horia Hulubei National Institute for Physics and Nuclear Engineering, Romania), *Dr. Florin Buzatu* (Institute for Atomic Physics, Romania)


7. Research and Innovation for Education and Education for Research and Innovation, *Gabriela Florescu* (National Institute for Research and Development in Informatics, Romania)

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Quality Assurance (I)

Moderator: *Hanne SMIDT*, European University Association (Thematic coordinator)

1. Negotiating liminality in higher education: formal and informal dimensions of the student experience as facilitators of quality, *Dr. Vanessa Rutherford & Dr. Ian Pickup* (University College, Cork, Ireland)

2. Students as Stakeholders in the policy context of the European Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in Higher Education Institutions, *Frauke Logermann* (Centre for Higher Education Policy Studies, University of Twente, Netherlands), *Prof. Dr. Liudvika Leisyte* (Zentrum für HochschulBildung, TU Dortmund, Germany)

3. Defining Quality of Higher Education from the Students’ perspective, *Fernando Miguel Galán-Palomares, Blazhe Todorovski, Henni Saarela* (European Students’ Union)

12:00 – 13:00 Buffet lunch (in front of the Aula)

13:00 – 14:30 Paper presentations and debates III (3 parallel sessions)

Internationalization (III)

Moderators: *Ligia DECA*, University of Luxemburg (Thematic coordinator)

*Fiona HUNTER*, Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation (CHEI), Università Cattolica del Sacramento, Milan, Italy

7. Internationalisation as a lever for change, *Dr. Fiona Hunter* (Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation (CHEI), Università Cattolica del Sacramento, Milan, Italy)

8. Becoming Bologna capable: Strategic cooperation and capacity building in International Offices in Kazakhstani HEIs, *Jason Sparks, Zakir Jumakulov* (Nazarbayev University Graduate School of Education, Kazakhstan)
9. **Internationalisation in Romania – challenges at the institutional and national level**, Ligia Deca, Eva Egron-Polak, Cristina Fit (project case study)

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**Quality Assurance (II)**

Moderator: Hanne SMIDT, European University Association (Thematic coordinator)


5. **Forms in Search of Substance: Quality and Evaluation in Romanian Universities**, Koen Geven (European University Institute, Florence), Adina Maricut (Central European University, Budapest)

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**Evidence-based policies in HE: data analytics, impact assessment and reporting (I)**

Moderators: Jamil SALMI, Higher Education Consultant (Thematic coordinator)  
Adrian CURAJ, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCEDI) (Scientific Committee member)

1. **A comparative study on cost-sharing in higher education – Using the case study approach to contribute to evidence-based policy**, Dr. Dominic Orr (Deutsches Zentrum für Hochschul- und Wissenschaftsforschung, Hannover, Germany)

2. **Higher Education Research in Europe**, Ulrich Teichler (International Centre for Higher Education Research, University of Kassel, Germany)

3. **Does research influence educational policy? The perspective of researchers and policy-makers in Romania**, Georgeta Ion (Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona / Universiy of Bucharest, Romania), Romita Iucu (Universiy of Bucharest, Romania)

14:30 – 15:00 Coffee break

15:00 – 16:30 Paper presentations and debates IV (3 parallel sessions)

**Quality Assurance (III)**

Moderator: Hanne SMIDT, European University Association (Thematic coordinator)

6. **Quality games in higher education; the cases of Romania and Switzerland**, Gorga Adriana (University of Lausanne, Switzerland)

7. **Implementing internal quality assurance in doctoral education**, Thomas Jorgensen (Council for Doctoral Education, European University Association), Chiara Lauritano (Doctoral School, Politecnico di Torino, Italy), prof. Flavio Canavero (Doctoral School, Politecnico di Torino, Italy), Martina van de Sand (Dahlem Research School, Free University Berlin, Germany)
8. In search of balancing quality assurance, autonomy, accountability and trust, Noël Vercruysse  
(Department of Education and Training)

Evidence-based policies in HE: data analytics, impact assessment and reporting (II)

Moderators: Jamil SALMI, Higher Education Consultant (Thematic coordinator)  
Adrian CURAJ, Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI) (Scientific Committee member)

9. Using evidences and impact evaluation in optimizing the higher education reform in the Republic of Moldova, Ana-Maria Stăvaru, Nicolae Toderaș (National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania)

10. Changed Academic Relationship between Professors and Students at Uni Potsdam: Impact of Bologna 2011-12, Christen Cullum Hairston (Educational Enhancement Department, American University of Antigua)

The impacts of the Bologna Process on the EHEA and beyond

Moderators: Sjur BERGAN, Council of Europe (Thematic coordinator)  
Emil CONSTANTINESCU, President of Romania 1996-2000, member of the World Academy of Art & Science Board of Trustees, President of Academy for Cultural Diplomacy Berlin (Scientific Committee member)

1. Europe at the Global edge, articulating the global dimension of EHEA through recognition, Fernando Miguel Galán-Palomares (European Students Union)  
2. Current and Future Prospects for Bologna Process in Turkish Higher Education System, Dr. Armagan Erdogan (Social Sciences University of Ankara, Turkey)  
3. The Bologna Process goes East: from ‘Third Countries’ Jargon to Prioritising Inter-regional Cooperation between the EU and ASEAN, Que Anh Dang (University of Bristol)  

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 18:30 Paper presentations and debates V (3 parallel sessions)

Teaching, learning and student engagement (I)

Moderators: Manja KLEMENCIC, Harvard University (Thematic coordinator)  
Paul ASHWIN, University of Lancaster (Thematic coordinator)
1. **Teaching and learning: a journey from the margins to the core**, Cristina Sin (Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES) - Portugal)

2. **The meanings of student engagement: implications for policies and practices**, Paul Ashwin (University of Lancaster - UK) and Debbie McVitty (NUS UK - UK)

3. **How do we know the effects of higher education on students? On the use of student surveys**, Manja Klemenčič (University of Harvard – US and University of Ljubljana – Slovenia) and Igor Chirikov (National Research University - Higher School of Economics - Russia)

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Excellence and diversification of higher education institutions’ missions (I)

Moderators: Jan SADLAK, IREG Observatory on Academic Ranking and Excellence (Thematic coordinator)

Ziauddin SARDAR, School of Arts, the City University, London (Scientific Committee member)

1. **An overview of excellence-driven policies and initiatives: rationale, design, implementation and outcomes**, Prof. Isak D. Froumin, Mikhail Lisyutkin (Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia)

2. **The Knowledge Society and Diversification of Higher Education: From the Social Contract to the Mission of Universities**, Attila Pausits (Danube University Krems, Krems, Austria)

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Social dimension/ Equity (I)

Moderators: Alex USHER, Higher Education Strategy Associates (Thematic coordinator)

Roberta BASSETT, World Bank representative (Scientific Committee member)

1. **Underrepresented groups in European Higher Education**, Martin Unger, Petra Wejwar (Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna, Austria)

2. **A comprehensive approach to investigating the social dimension in European higher education systems – The PL4SD Country Reviews**, Dr. Dominic Orr (Deutsches Zentrum für Hochschul- und Wissenschaftsforschung, Hannover, Germany), Martin Unger (Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna, Austria)

3. **No Future for the Social Dimension?**, Florian Kaiser, Elisabeth Gehrke, Liva Vikmane

19:30 Dinner (Restaurant – Hotel Royal)

WEDNESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2014

09:00 – 10:30 Paper presentations and debates VI (3 parallel sessions)

Teaching, learning and student engagement (II)

Moderators: Manja KLEMENCIC, Harvard University (Thematic coordinator)

Paul ASHWIN, University of Lancaster (Thematic coordinator)
4. **Understanding the quality of learning in digital learning environments: state of the art and research needed**, Bernadette Charlier (University of Fribourg, Switzerland); Laurent Cosnefroy (Ecole Normale Supérieure Lyon, France); Annie Jézégou (University of Lille 1 science and technology, France); Geneviève Lameul (University of Rennes 2, France)

5. **Assessment of learning outcomes**, Hamish Coates (University of Melbourne, Australia)

6. **Giving voice to nontraditional students “walking” the narrative mediation path - a tool for developing reflexive function. An interpretative phenomenological analysis**, Dan Florin Stănescu, Elena-Mădălina Iorga (National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania); José González Monteagudo (University of Sevilla, Faculty of Education Sciences, Sevilla, Spain)

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**Excellence and diversification of higher education institutions’ missions (II)**

Moderators: Jan SADLAK, IREG Observatory on Academic Ranking and Excellence (Thematic coordinator) Ziauddin SARDAR, School of Arts, the City University, London (Scientific Committee member)

3. **New rankings on the scene: Are they really new?**, Gergely Ferenc Kováts (Institute of Management and the Center for International Higher Education Studies, Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary)

4. **Excellence and diversification of higher education institutions’ missions**, Marco Porzionato, Federica De Marco (Ca’ Foscari University of Venice, Venice, Italy)

5. **From highschool to university. Coping with students’ indecision in choosing their studies**, Simona Sava, Mădălina Bunoiu, Laura Malita, Adriana Isvoran (West University of Timisoara)

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**Social dimension/ Equity (II)**

Moderators: Alex USHER, Higher Education Strategy Associates (Thematic coordinator) Roberta BASSETT, World Bank representative (Scientific Committee member)

4. **Enrolment and inequality in the new English Market for Higher Education**, Koen Geven (European University Institute, Florence, Italy)

5. **Struggling with social polarization. Financial student support in Romania in the framework of the Bologna Process**, Bogdan Murgescu (National Council for Higher Education Funding, Romania), Cezar Hâj (Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding, Romania), Daniela Alexe (Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding, Romania)

6. **Enhancing the social dimension of Polish higher education through diversification of lifelong learning opportunities: A national and institutional perspective**, Andrzej Krasniewski (Warsaw University of Technology, Poland)

7. **Premises of inclusive access and success of Roma people in Higher Education in Romania**, Diana Cismaru (National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Romania), Delia Gologan (Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding, Romania)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30 The Future of the European Higher Education Area: between national priorities and global developments

Moderator: Liviu Matei, CEU

Speakers:
Emil Constantinescu, President of Romania 1996-2000, member of the World Academy of Art & Science Board of Trustees, President of Academy for Cultural Diplomacy Berlin
Pavel Zgaga, Director of Centre for Educational Policy Studies, University of Ljubljana
Marvin Lazerson, Head of Public Policy Department, Central European University

Discussion with the audience

12:30 – 12:45 Coffee break

12:45 – 14:00 Final Concluding Panel

Moderator: Adrian Curaj, General Director UEFISCDI

Conclusions of the conference, Liviu Matei (General Rapporteur) – 20 min
Response from Italian Presidency (speaker TBC) – 10 min
Response from Frank Petrikowski, European Commission – 5 min
Response from Erin Nordal, Vice-Chairperson, European Students’ Union (ESU) – 5 min
Response from Koen Geven, Education International – 5 min
Final debates on the conference report – 30 min

14:00 Buffet Lunch