Erasmus+ European Universities – Call 2020

Following last year's launch of the European Universities initiative, the first call for proposals has resulted in applications from 54 alliances, involving more than 300 higher education institutions from 31 European countries, including all EU Member States.

Eventually, 17 alliances have been selected, including 114 higher education institutions from 25 Programme Countries. Austria is excellently represented by the University of Graz within the 'ARQUS' alliance and the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences within the alliance 'EPICUR'.

Today shall take account of the lessons learned from the first call and prepare potential applicants for the second call on the European Universities initiative.

This event is organised by the Austrian National Agency Erasmus+ Education (OeAD-GmbH).

Date and Place

23rd October 2019

13.30 – 17.00

mdw – University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna

Anton-von-Webern-Platz 1, 1030 Vienna

Fanny Hensel Saal, ground floor

Programme

13.00   **Registration**

13.30   **Welcome and introduction of the speakers**

Johannes Meissl, Vice Rector for International Affairs and Art, University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna (tbc)

Gerhard Volz, Head Erasmus+ Higher Education, National Agency Erasmus+ Education (OeAD-GmbH)

13.50   **Behind the scenes**

Elena Tegovska, Policy Officer „Higher Education", European Commission

Miklós Hoffmann, Head of Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science, Eszterházy Károly University, Eger, Hungary

Since today`s overarching topic is 'The European Universities Initiative - Lessons Learned' we will start this afternoon with a look behind the scenes and will get valuable insights from the European Commission about Dos and Don`ts when planning to establish a European University.

We will further have the exceptional opportunity to learn about an external expert`s view who will share his experiences about potential strength and weakness of proposals and will discuss pros and cons of the programme-specific layers.

Q & A session included.

15.10   **Coffee Break**

15.40   **Views from inside**

Diana Afrashteh, Member of Steering Committee ARQUS, University of Graz

Ulf Thalhammer, Head of Rector`s Office, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna

In this session we will learn about the two successful Austrian Universities and their respective European University project. They will give first-hand insight and advice with regard to challenges and rewards of launching a European University: From strategic considerations and finding the right consortium, to structuring and organizing the road to the mission statement, to essential requirements needed to finally achieve a competitive and successful application.

Q & A session included.

17.00   **End of event**