ABS EU: Paving the way for an ABS recycling revolution in the EU

Led by ICHN, the phenol-based ABS EU has been selected for EU funding under Horizon Europe programme. The aim of this ambitious international project is to accelerate the transition to a circular economy for ABS plastics. ABS EU will develop innovative systematic solutions to pave the way to circularity for the ubiquitous plastic ABS found in durable products from toys and other consumer goods to automotive components.

The project is implemented by a strong consortia that spans the entire ABS value chain. The project is co-led by Thure Bolinder (GESE) and Invole’s project partner (global brand and owners) JPTOL, an ABS producing company, a recycler, a traceability solutions company, a standardisation institute and a company specialised in stakeholder engagement. With ABS EU, the consortium is seeking to lay the first brick of a sustainable future for ABS plastics.

MobsAll project: European mobility for students with special needs

Last 26th January, partners of the MobsAll project met together online in order to exchange the progress of the ongoing works. The five HEIs involved in this project are part of Ursus European Universities Alliance, which relies on an innovative strategy that includes improved access to disabled students. In the field of education and training the Eramus+ programme aims to facilitate the access to participants with disadvantaged backgrounds and fewer opportunities, thus supporting the European Commission’s objective of making learning mobility a reality for all.

Nevertheless, only a small percentage of mobility beneficiaries reported at least one type of disadvantaged situations (10%). Of these, the ones mostly disabled (defined as mental, physical, sensory or other disabilities), which reinforces their low participation in mobility opportunities (Eramus+ Higher Education Impact Study 2018).

In this context, MobsAll aims to promote the transnational mobility of students with special needs. Through capacity building of the different actors supporting these students (Professors, staff members from International Relations Offices, Mobility of offices, staff members from other specialized units and tutors students), this project actions will contribute to improve the participants’ HEIs environments reducing the inequality of access to resources and opportunities in Higher Education.

Project actions will address and benefit different types of special needs: physical (limited physical/motor function), sensorial (impaired vision or hearing) or communicative (Asperger’s syndrome) disabilities.

MOVODIS: launch of the 3rd and final students cohort

It’s now time to say goodbye to the students of the 2nd cohort of the MOVODIS project and wish them the best for their future! Our students and the tutors who have accompanied them, have acquired some new competences thanks to their experience in the field of food sustainability and mobility. These competences will be recognised through the OPEN BAGGAGE that the project will award them.

At the same time, we welcome the new and last cohort of students for the spring semester 2021-2022. In this occasion, 30 students from the Universidad de Sevilla, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Universidad de Girona, Universidad de A Coruña, Fachhochschule der Mittelrhein (FHM) and Université Côte d’Azur will be the protagonists of this innovative virtual mobility experience.

Good luck to everyone!

To learn more about the MOVODIS project, we invite you to visit the project website: www.movodis.eu

OPTIMA - Bootcamp on Open Science, 16-18 November 2021

The 2nd part of the Bootcamp on Open Science hosted by Université Côte d’Azur, as part of the OPTIMA project, was held on November 17 and 18. Gabriel Guallar and Alejandro Hernández (University of Malaga) presented the Artificial Intelligence Unit for training in Scientific and Technical Information, a training organization designed to develop the use and mastery of digital scientific information as higher education. The LiFSt Mediterranean team also shared its experience in two European projects: OPTIMA (digital learning on research data) and Thedeus (Open badge ecosystem for the recognition of skills in research data management and sharing).

The day after, Thomas Guillaume (Pier Community Inc.) shared his expertise in the implementation and development of online peer review platforms. It was also an opportunity to review the workflow models proposed in the OPTIMA project. During the same week, our Polish and Austrian partners also held workshops on OA and OA practices.

OPTIMA (Open Practices, Transparency and Integrity for Modern Academia) is a 3 years project (2021-2024) funded by the Erasmus programme, though the scheme of Capacity Building in Field of Higher Education.

Are you interested in finding out more? Check our information on Twitter, YouTube, Facebook and official website of OPTIMA leading institution.

Participation of UCA at the Forum of universities for the future of Europe

The Forum of Universities for the Future of Europe was held on January 25 and 26, 2022 in Brussels. UCA is one of the participants of the Steering Committee of European Universities Alliance, and it was invited to this event. The Forum of Universities for the Future of Europe is an event that brings together representatives of European higher education institutions, the EU Commission and European universities associations, and it is a space for debate and reflection on the role of universities in the future of Europe, with a view to contributing to the European strategy for universities and the next steps.

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In brief

MET: Next stop…Oslo!
We are pleased to inform you that the MET, the Mobility and Education Transformation will be taking place on 6th and 7th May in Oslo, Norway, as organized by the European Association of Research Managers and Administrators (EARM) and aims to share ideas, information and good practices in management, administration and research support in Oslo.

I AM EUROPE Launch of a citizens’ survey on Europe

The I AM EURO (September 2021 to April 2022) aims at raising awareness among the citizens of Alpes Maritimes (France), the region of Dutch Antilles (Curaçao) and the region of Greek Islands (Greece) of the European Union in France. Apart from the territorial component, the project launched a questionnaire for all citizens of the Alpes Maritimes. We thank you for taking 5 minutes to complete this questionnaire in order to collect your opinion on the representation that you have of the citizens of the Alpes Maritimes.

Please take part in the I AM EURO survey.

Selection of ongoing Call for projects:

- Jean-Jacques Dumas Institute-CR Librairie, submission deadline 20-01-2022
- IDEMO Programme d’Investissement d’Avenir (PIA), call “Brest 07”
- Librairie Europe Call
- Staff Exchanges Actions Marie S-Curie, call “Brest 07”
- Cluster S+C5, call “Brest 07”
- Chile-U.S. Environment, call 2020/2021

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2022 Calls for projects have been published as well as the Programme Guide.

-Mobility projects: 29/03/2022
-Corporate partner ships: 23/03/2022

The MET supports you to set up and submit these projects. Don’t hesitate to contact us!