Throwback on the Digital Week organised by Université Côte d’Azur

120 participants from 26 universities around the world. 18 plenary conferences, 15 workshops, 1 multiplier event and 1 Round Table over 4 intense days held on the ST Campus. Jean d’Angely and IMREDD.

The Digital Week organized by Université Côte d’Azur (International Development and Europe Department) on June 12-16 was a real success. This event brought together professionals from the academic world, entrepreneurs and practitioners on topics related to digital, tourism, health, research, cultural and creative industries (more info).

Throwback on our InfoDay dedicated to young researchers

Europe Joint Office of the IDEX UCAJEDI has joined forces with the Maison des Etudes Doctorales, in charge of welcoming and supporting doctoral students at Université Côte d’Azur, to invite you to an Infoday dedicated to career development of young researchers. This day, organized at the Centre Universitaire Méditerranéen, on June 20, was dedicated to the opportunities offered in Europe and France to researchers who are starting their careers. 140 participants, mostly doctoral and post-doctoral students, came to meet the site’s specialists in terms of career opportunities at European level, in particular representatives of the IdEx international program, European project engineers from the Cellule Europe Mutualisée, evaluators projects and former Horizon Europe and ANR winners.

End of the QUADIC project: The successful achievement of internationalization capacities of Balkan HEI’s

After three and a half years of fruitful project implementation, QUADIC has finally come to an end!

The QUADIC project, cofounded by the European Union, has since its beginning on 15th November 2019, achieved all the funded and expected activities to reach the goal of establishing and making fully functional internationalization offices in all thirteen Kosovar and Albanian consortium universities. More particularly, the project has contributed to the training and transfer of best practices in submitting and managing projects, creating and monitoring international collaborations and networking, as well as increasing, and implementing mobilities for students and staffs.

The final meeting held on 5th and 6th of June in Pristina (Kosovo), has therefore permitted to gather all the staff and representatives from the various institutions to present the achieved results and fruitful impacts on their respective institutions. The meeting has also been the occasion to discuss about future collaborations, and the opportunity to further develop the strengthening of capacities of the consortium institutions, through developing a second part of the project.
OPTIMA Project: Ukrainian researchers visit Nice to strengthen Open Science and Open Educational Resources Practices

On June 12th, and throughout the week, Université Côte d’Azur welcomed the project consortium partners, for a series of conferences and workshops on best practices in Open Science. The twenty or so researchers, many of whom came from Ukraine, but also from Austria and Poland, took advantage of the Côte d’Azur setting to discover the best practices implemented within the institution, and to share some of their research in this field. With the contribution of Université Côte d’Azur’s Centre d’Innovation Pédagogique, the researchers were also invited to record podcasts and dissemination videos on the premises, which will be used to implement the project.

The presence of a number of renowned speakers during the Digital Week Event organized simultaneously at UCA, also provided an ideal setting for networking and the creation of future collaborations.

2nd Transnational Erasmus + Project Meeting at Nice: SIMUCARE 360°

Simucare - Immersion, an Erasmus + project with the participation of Université Côte d’Azur, works with 360° immersion technologies in order to mobilize the concepts of communicative competence in pediatrics in initial training in the medical and paramedical field.

As the main result of this project, a digital learning platform offering scenarios with the 360° tool and the partner patient: Future professionals immerse themselves in a 360° environment and work on their communication skills thanks to scenarios co-constructed with the expert partner patient. These scenarios will all be implemented on a digital learning platform specific to the partner country and in the partner’s official language. The hallmark of this course is its active teaching approach, which incorporates new technologies such as 360° immersion, the possibility of autonomous learning and putting students to work in a way that is particularly conducive to adult education.

On 11 and 12 May, the project partners were welcomed at the Université Côte d’Azur for the second meeting of the project. The aim of this meeting was to discuss and propose a fixed working methodology for the A2 (construction of modules).

Kick-Off Meeting in Ulaanbaatar for the Digital Move project’ consortium from 23rd to 25th of May 2023

Digital Move project is a European co-funded project, aiming at implementing Digital transformation within Mongolian and Vietnamese universities, through innovative teaching and learning methods, and an active engagement with external stakeholders. 12 other universities from Slovakia, Mongolia and Vietnam are part of this project.

On the end of May, the project has launched its first meeting, in the capital of Mongolia, in the presence of the president of some universities, directors of IC/PM offices of the participant universities, and some staff involved in the project management, research institutes, and professors. French ambassador of Mongolia, and it’s first counselor have been also invited to attend the Kick-Off Meeting of this ambitious project for Mongolian and Vietnamese universities and societies.

In this context, Université Côte d’Azur sent its two project manager delegation, and, together with the other delegations, spoke to present each consortium’s university, and discuss about the further implementation of the project. By today, the project is finally ongoing, and the university members from all four countries are gathering their efforts to put in place the expected activities, and reach the digital divide reduction objective of the project.

Erasmus + project TEST: Learning, Teaching and Training activity in Madrid and Multiplier Event at Nice

Within the framework of its participation in the Erasmus + T.E.S.T. project, Université Côte d’Azur has participated in the Learning Teaching Training Activity (LTTA), part of the third result of Project T.E.S.T. that took place in the Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED), Madrid from 17 to 22 April 2023.

This learning activity was aimed at training selected HE Teachers from STEAM disciplines and testing the tools that have been developed so far by the partners. During the mobility, all the Project T.E.S.T. Result were tested by the cohort of participants. The Teachers in the coming months will be directly involved in a fine-tuning testing, in which they themselves will have to train other lecturers from their universities on the practices and methodologies for the adaptive teaching learned during the LTTA.

On the other hand, the Multiplier Event of the project was held at Nice during the Digital Week. Foreign participants were able to learn first-hand about the objectives and expected results of this project in a presentation given by Jean-Christophe Boisse at Campus Saint Jean d’Angély.
Launch of the learning platform for the Erasmus + project MOB4ALL

MOB4ALL is a project funded under the Erasmus+ programme which aims to promote the transnational mobility of students with special needs by building the capacity of the various actors who can support these students in the context of international mobility for educational purposes. Professors, staff from international relations offices/mobility officers, staff from other specialised units and student tutors/buddies are involved in this ongoing project.

Université Côte d’Azur is the partner responsible for implementing a Moodle training course for staff involved in partner universities to give them the opportunity to acquire the knowledge, skills and competences to guide, welcome, support and integrate mobility students with special needs.

This course is now open and accessible to all members of the universities who wish to learn more about the possible disability situations of students who wish to go on mobility and how to help them achieve their objectives.

>> https://ulysseus.eu/learn/course/view.php?id=88 <<

UPDATES ULYSSEUS

BREAKING NEWS: Ulysseus sails to new port

Today, July 3rd 2023, the European Commission announced that Ulysseus is one the European University Alliances selected for another 4 years of funding with a grant of 12.8 million euro. This news confirms that, from now onwards, Ulysseus has now 8 members universities and strengthens its 10-year plan. This new funding ensures the consolidation of programmes and structures designed during the first phase of the project. Ulysseus European University enters phase two in which it will be more diverse and complementary, more plurilingual and multicultural and richer in Education, Science, and Innovation. Ulysseus Alliance vision for 2030 is to develop an excellency-recognized and internationally attractive open to the world, persons-centred and entrepreneurial European University for the citizens of the future.

Ulysseus summit in Genova

After the "Ulysseus Summit" organized by Université Côte d’Azur (UCA) last March, it was up to "Università degli studi di Genova" (UNIGE) to welcome delegations from Ulysseus partner universities on June 13 and 14, 2023.

The meeting, attended by the presidents of the ULYSSEUS alliance partner universities, provided an opportunity to introduce the new team at the University of Seville (USE), which coordinates ULYSSEUS, and to take stock of all current and future projects; from the tangible achievements of the 1st phase of the Erasmus+-supported ULYSSEUS project, to the new steps to be taken to ensure the full development of the ULYSSEUS alliance in its 2nd phase, due to start next September.

Topics discussed included the development of the Ulysseus Digital Platform, for which UCA is responsible, the "research" dimension, which will be the subject of a Ulysseus Research Summit organized by UCA on October 18 and 19, and the issue of joint training programs, in particular the launch of the first joint "Cities" Master’s degree following the positive evaluation by the Spanish agency ACCUA.

In Genoa, the 8 presidents of the European partner universities of the ULYSSEUS alliance - including the 2 new universities of Münster and Montenegro for the 2nd phase of ULYSSEUS - signed an international cooperation agreement with, respectively, Dan Hang University (Vietnam) and Laval University in Quebec (Canada).

Ulysseus lance UlysseusCitiesMD, son premier diplôme conjoint qui fait le lien entre les domaines de l’énergie, du transport, de la mobilité et des villes intelligentes

At the Ulysseus Summit in Genoa, the University of Seville and the University of Genoa took another step forward by approving and signing a forthcoming double degree.

Representatives of the six partner universities (Miguel Angel Castro, Rector of the University of Seville; Federico Delfino, Rector of the University of Genoa; Jeanick Briswalter, President of the Université Coté D’Azur; Stanislav Kmeť, Rector of the Technical University of Kosice ; representatives of MCI | The Entrepreneurial School, and Minna Hilios, President of Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences) today celebrated in Genoa the approval of Ulysseus CitiesMD - the first Ulysseus double degree in Energy, Mobility, Transport and Smart Cities.

Representatives of the new Ulysseus members for the next Erasmus + call, the University of Münster and the University of Montenegro, also attended the event in Genoa.

UlysseusCities® aims to offer a joint and fully transnational challenge-based program that links the fields of energy, transport, mobility and smart cities in an interdisciplinary way, in order to address the key challenges of energy transition and decarbonized systems, which are key priorities of European policy. The curriculum is also designed to attract the best students from inside and outside the EU, and is aligned with the latest needs of the labor market and research and innovation, including a just transition to renewable energies and the development of smart cities and urban areas.

Ulysseus launches UlysseusCitiesMD, its first joint degree - Ulysseus
Nearly 40 students participate in the Ulysseus Entre Camp in Helsinki

Ulysseus European University has materialized its commitment to provide students with an excellent academic offer by organising different kinds of training activities to its students varying from semester exchanges and virtual courses to blended intensive programs. On Monday 05/06/2023, 38 students and 13 coaches from the six partner universities (University of Seville, Spain; University of Genoa, Italy; University of Côte d'Azur, France; Technical University of Kosice, Slovakia; MCI | Management Center Innsbruck, Austria and Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences, Finland) gathered in Haaga-Helia for the intensive week of Entre Camp Helsinki.

The students started their learning journey already in May by participating in the virtual kick-off camp and continued with the first learning assignment which prepared the students for the intensive week in Helsinki.

In line with Ulysseus values, this Blended Intensive Programme will contribute to the development of regions and society. Also, it will help to reduce the competence gap, one of Ulysseus' key goal.

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Conference: Towards Innovations in Ageing and Well-Being

As part of the Ulysseus European University, Université Côte d'Azur is organizing a research conference on October 18 and 19 on the theme of innovation in ageing and wellbeing. Researchers from all over the world will be presenting their work and meeting other specialists in the field.

Find out more about this event on our page: Ulysseus Research Summit: Towards innovations in ageing and well-being - Ulysseus

To register, please use the following link: http://bit.ly/UlyAwb

The deadline to register as a speaker is 06/30/2023, and the deadline to participate in the conference is 09/30/2023.

The universities of Da-Nang (Vietnam) and Laval (Canada) join the Ulysseus alliance

Ulysseus European University, comprising the University of Seville (Spain), the University of Genoa (Italy), Université Côte d'Azur (France), Košice Technical University (Slovakia), MCI | The Entrepreneurial School® (Austria), Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences (Finland), the University of Münster (Germany) and the University of Montenegro (Montenegro) reinforce their international strategy by signing two Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with the University of Đà Nẵng (Vietnam) and Laval University (Quebec, Canada).

With the signing of these agreements, the partners confirm their desire to develop cooperation in the fields of education, research and innovation within the context of the European Alliance and, more specifically, the Innovation Hubs. The Innovation Hubs, which address six research and development challenges shared with regions and cities, act as hubs for all collaborative and cooperative activities originating from the Ulysseus community and its partners.

By joining Ulysseus, Université de Đà Nẵng and Université Laval will actively contribute to the Alliance’s international influence, while gaining privileged access to a community that now represents 225,475 students and over 15,000 researchers. Université Côte d'Azur is delighted with this association, especially as the Université de Đà Nẵng and Université Laval are both universities with which Université Côte d'Azur has had strong, privileged links for many years. This association is a concrete example of how Ulysseus can nurture and strengthen the internationalization strategy of Université Côte d'Azur.

Ulysseus develops its internationalization strategy beyond EU borders - Ulysseus

Webconférence Orientation and skills in the transition era - Participation of the project Digital Soft Skills

The DDIE responded to the call from the Erasmus+ Agency to participate in the Webinar on Orientation and Skills in the Era of Transitions on June 6th. Marion Polack, Project Assistant of Ulysseus, presented the D2S@Ulysseus project, developed by the Ulysseus European University Alliance. The project aims to enhance the digital soft skills of students and teachers through a range of courses and resources available on a dedicated website. The webinar was live-streamed and watched by 450 people, and it remains available online, providing information on Europass, Euroguidance, the European Qualifications Framework, Onisep, and France Compétences, among other topics.