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UPDATES WELCOME DEVICES AND INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

Welcome Party

On Friday, September 27, the Mobility and Welcome Department organized an exceptional Welcome Party, bringing together partners and students in a festive and friendly atmosphere. This event, aimed at warmly welcoming incoming students, gathered over 150 participants from around the world.

Various international mobility partners were also present, strengthening connections between students and the local community. Information booths, musical performances, and quizzes with prizes added vibrancy to the evening, fostering intercultural exchanges.

The event was a resounding success. Students, faculty, and partners alike praised the initiative by the Pôle Mobilité et Accueil, which facilitated the integration of new arrivals while celebrating diversity and mutual support. This bi-annual event has become a must-attend occasion at the start of each semester!

MoveON - EWP

Université Côte d'Azur is actively engaged in innovating international student mobility management. In collaboration with the European University Foundation (EUF), our university participated in the beta testing of the EWP (Erasmus Without Paper) network for managing student nominations via our MoveON software. This project aims to simplify and modernize mobility processes by facilitating the digital exchange of data between European universities. Our involvement in this initiative demonstrates our commitment to adopting cutting-edge technological solutions to enhance student mobility. The EUF commended our dedication, along with that of other partner universities, recognizing us as "EWP Champions" for our active contribution to the project's development.

Student Fair "Salon de l'Étudiant"



The **Pôle Mobilité et Accueil** renewed its annual participation in the **Student Fair** "Salon de l'Étudiant", held on November 23 at the Palais des Expositions in Nice. Throughout this vibrant day of exchanges, the team took turns providing high school and university students with valuable information about the numerous mobility opportunities available to them, including studies, internships, and cultural exchanges. Simultaneously, the **DDIE** hosted a much-anticipated conference on **international mobility**, drawing a large audience eager to learn about the procedures and benefits of experiences abroad. This combined effort highlighted

the importance of mobility in young people's educational journeys and addressed many of their questions.

UPDATES REGIONAL, EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



OPEN CALLS FOR PROJECTS

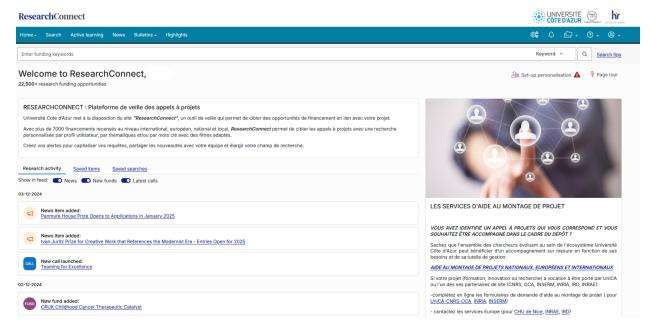
- Programme Horizon Europe:
- o Actions Marie S.-Curie: Staff Exchanges 05/02/2025
- o European Inovation Council: <u>EIC Accelerator</u>: 24/12/2024
- o Clusters: Cluster 3 Securité: 20/11/2024; Cluster 5 Climate Energie: 04/02/2025
- o Missions: Smart cities: 11/02/2025
- Programme INTERREG: <u>Interreg Alcotra</u>: 30/01/2025
- **Programme** Fullbright USA : 20/12/2024 pour les candidats aux programmes Doctorants et chercheurs



For projects to be carried out by UniCA, CNRS and OCA

RESEARCH CONNECT: the new monitoring and research funding database!

In collaboration with the Cellule Europe Mutualisée, Université Côte d'Azur and its site partners (CNRS, Inria, OCA, IRD, INRAE and INSERM) make available to the entire scientific community, ResearchConnect, a research fundin database, funded by the ANR within the ASDESR 'UCAccelerator' project.



The platform, which lists more than 7,000 funding opportunities at international, European, national and local level, enables researchers on the site to identify or monitor calls for projects to fund their research and innovation projects.

Researchers will be able to search by profile, theme and/or keyword, with appropriate filters and save searches and create alerts.

To access *ResearchConnect*, **log on to the** <u>Welcome | ResearchConnect</u> site, or go to the <u>UniCA web page - RESEARCH & INNOVATION - Services for researchers -> CALL FOR PROJECTS</u>, and create your profile using your 'prenom.nom@univcotedazur.fr' . Check here the <u>User guide</u> (in French).

Research Connect can also be launched via the intranet - My Tools



Second call for expressions of interest to "Doctoral expertise mission to support European projects in Research Units" launched

Do you want to become a "doctoral student expert" in European research project-writing? Submit your application to the call for expressions of interest to "Doctoral expertise mission to support European projects in Research Units"!

Launched within the framework of the ASDESR-UCAccelerator project, the call aims to support the submission of European research projects, and will fund 12 doctoral expert missions (32 hours annually) during the 2024-2025 academic year. Selected doctoral students will undergo training in European research project-writing, and will also become Horizon Europe ambassadors in their respective research laboratories, accompanying researchers in both the development and submission of

Application files – including the candidate's detailed CV (maximum 2 pages), a letter of motivation and a letter of support signed by the thesis director, and also counter-signed by the research unit/laboratory director – should be sent by email **before January** 5th, 2024 at 12pm to: cellule-europe-mutualisee@univ-cotedazur.fr

This mission is open to people with disabilities.

For further information, please contact: cellule-europe-mutualisee@univ-cotedazur.fr

• Text of the call

European research projects.

• Letter of support template

Ready, Immerse and Go!"- Working on the VR scenarios through the Sphere software



The "Ready, Immerse and Go!" Erasmus+ project, coordinated by the Université Côte d'Azur, which is working on the creation of an online platform of virtual scenarios that recreate particularly difficult situations for students who decide to go abroad for international mobility, is entering a new phase in its development.

The technicians of the partner universities responsible for the creation of these scenarios have been trained in the use of the "Sphere" software that will serve as the basis for these scenarios. The universities have been trained in the development of scripts and in the use of the technical tools of the Sphere platform. They are currently working on a crucial phase of our project.

Once this phase is completed, the scenarios will be evaluated by students and other stakeholders, who will be able to contribute to their improvement before the launch of the platform.

On the other hand, the results of the co-creation exercise gathered in the RIGO Compendium Summary and Lessons Learned are now available here.

UNICATION project: Finalisation of training courses on 'New Approaches and Tools for Internationalisation' led by Université Côte d'Azur in Lisbon

As part of the UNICATION project co-funded by the European Commission, UniCA delivered six hours of practical training during the week of 25th November to partner academic representatives from Cambodia and the Philippines to build capacity in internationalisation. More specifically, each of the European universities involved in the project led on one of the following themes:

- Practical Approaches to Inclusivity and Global Collaboration, led by host university Instituto Tecnico Lisboa (Portugal);
- Engaging Industry stakeholders and enhancing research capacity, led by Obuda University (Hungary);
- Practical approaches to building academic, administrative and managerial development for global-ready institutions, led by UniCA (France).

These workshops end a series of 21 hours of training courses tailored to the needs identified by the South-East Asian partners during the first needs assessment phase at the start of the project. These courses will help to build institutional capacity, transfer skills, and prepare universities in Cambodia and the Philippines to organise the National Multiplier Event in April 2025.

BeGlobal Capacity Building Project: Participation of UniCA to inclusive Training week on global citizenship



Université Côte d'Azur, represented by two of its experts in International Learning Experiences and game-based learning have participated to animate an intensive training from 12th to 15th of November, hosted by Haaga-Helia partner University in Helsinki (Finland). The trainings have taken place in the context of an Erasmus+ project supporting the capacity building of Colombian and Chilean HEIs to act as the motor of internationalisation at the local and regional levels, as well as to prepare local citizens to become active international citizens, socially responsible, and globally integrated.

For the occasion, various south-American participants from the participating Universities, as well as students, participated inperson and virtually to various training sessions related to innovative internationalisation at home experiences, equity and inclusion and challenge-based learning. Université Côte d'Azur' experts Mrs Natalia Timus and Mr Jonathan Reyes, led 5 hours training on learning design and gamification, as well as experiencing challenge-based learning.

UniCA representative Mrs Timus also participated in a hybrid panel discussion on the topic "Global issues and citizenship", with various experts from different universities, and both physical and virtual attendees.

Thanks to these trainings, participants will in the next step of this project, led by UniCA, contribute to co-create a Serious Game expected to put the players into real-life situations related to global citizenship, inclusivity and social responsibility.





Final Conference of LMQS Project held in Almaty from 13th to 16th November 2024

After 4 years of challenging implementation throughout the Covid crisis and the impact of Russian-Ukrainian conflict, the consortium of Kazakh, Azeris, Greek, Romanian and French universities finally succeeded into the completion of the final activities of the project, and the holding of its final conference in Kazakhstan. This conference was the opportunity to review the main achievements of the EU cofounded project that supported the creation and enhancement of Bachelor's degree, and open and distance learning professional master's degree in strategic quality management and healthcare risk management in Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan.

Among the main achievements are the reinforcement of technical and managerial capacities in healthcare and risk management of academics, the strengthening of bachelor and master's programs in healthcare risk management, the development of institution's-industry collaboration, and the creation of various specific collaborations between the European and Central Asia universities for further partnerships in healthcare and other sectors.

UPDATES ULYSSEUS

Ulysseus Summit 2024 in Nice: a gathering of European innovation and collaboration



On November 13-14, 2024, university leaders, researchers, and experts from across Europe gathered at Université Côte d'Azur's Valrose campus in Nice for the Ulysseus Summit, the flagship annual event of the Ulysseus European University Alliance. This in-person meeting reinforced the alliance's commitment to creating a European university model that fosters cooperation, research, and innovation while emphasizing social inclusion and public engagement. Among the participants were representatives from eight European universities collaborating to advance Ulysseus' mission: building a resilient and interconnected European academic community.

On the second day of the Summit,

students from the European University Alliance officially launched the Ulysseus Student Association (UlySA). This presentation marked the debut of the first official student-led association within Ulysseus. This pioneering initiative aims to encourage active student participation in Ulysseus projects and decision-making processes. Developed as part of a new student-centered approach, UlySA symbolizes the beginning of a closer collaboration between Ulysseus and its student community.



Ulysseus Webinar for Researchers

Ulysseus is organizing a webinar for researchers, dedicated to the different grant and funding modalities for European collaborative projects.

This virtual event will take place on **Thursday, December 12, from 2:00 p.m.** to **3:30 p.m.** You can now register via the following link: https://bit.ly/4fGokBC.

To find out more, you can consult the information available on the following sites:

- https://ulysseus.eu/events/webinar-for-researchers-europeangrants-funding-and-collaborative-projects/
- https://newsroom.univ-cotedazur.fr/actualitesevenements/webinaire-pour-chercheurs-subventionsfinancements-et-projets-collaboratifs-europeens



Teachers: Create Online Learning Opportunities with the Ulysseus Seed Funding



The Ulysseus European Alliance invites teaching staff to create online learning opportunities. The Ulysseus Seed Funding is designed to provide financial support for innovative, co-creative, and collaborative ideas in teaching and learning across the Ulysseus European University. It supports the development of two different types of learning opportunities/educational offerings:

- 1. Collaborative Online International Learning (COILs)
- Ulysseus Joint Virtual Courses

You have until **January 31, 2025**, at 11:59 PM CEST to <u>submit your application</u> to benefit from this funding. **How to apply?**

- For COILs: You must complete the application form.
- For Ulysseus Joint Virtual Courses: Contact mobility-ulysseus@univ-cotedazur.fr

Watch the online information session organised in April 2024, on Collaborative Online International Learning (COILS) : https://ulysseus.eu/events/online-info-session-on-coil/

UPDATES ATTRACTIVITY AND VISIBILITY

Representation of Université Côte d'Azur to Ukrainian Open Science Forum 2024

The Ukrainian Open Science Forum 2024 edition, a two-days forum dedicated to advancing Open Science in Ukraine and around the world has gathered researchers and academics from various European universities, as well as official Ukrainian ministries representatives to bring outputs, share insights and sensitize the communities about the trends and challenges in open science, transparency and integrity in research and academia.

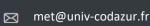
Université Côte d'Azur, represented by Mrs Natalia Timus participated online on 21st of November to share insights about open educational resources.



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