

#### **DRC Newsletter December 2012**

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### Ad I a) Changes in the statutes / logo / presidency and secretariat

In order to allow the DRC to apply for projects independent of its member universities, it is necessary to create a legal entity for the network. During the last DRC General Assembly (GA), the required changes to the statutes were adopted, a new logo (see above) was accepted by the GA, and currently the last steps for implementing the DRC as International Non-Profit-Association under Belgium Law are taken.

All DRC members will receive a more detailed information when the last questions have been solved with our Belgium lawyers.

During the last GA, also a new president was elected: Rector Jiri Balik from CULS Prague is the new DRC President; and Rector Doru Pamfil from USAMV Cluj-Napoca is the incoming vice-president.

In order to increase the continuity within the DRC; it was also decided at the last GA that a permanent DRC secretariat should be established at the Institute for the Danube and Central Europe (IDM) in Vienna. From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 onwards, this permanent secretariat will focus on the day-to-day activities (membership database, newsletters, budget issues), while the new presidential secretariat at CULS Prague, will focus on organization of meetings of the presidency, permanent committee and annual conferences.

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# Ad I.b) EUSDR Newsletter December 2012

The Newsletter is available on the website

http://files.groupspaces.com/EUStrategyfortheDanubeRegion/files/614039/HNAfNTP4WSkllf RKMqHw/EUSDR news winter 12-13 e-version+final.pdf

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**Ad II a) Intercultural Training** for university teachers & international officers, 14 – 18. January 2013, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary

The one-week training programme focusing on interculturality has been designed for international officers and teachers, who work with international students and staff. The programme contains intercultural social activities, as well. The working language of the programme is English.

Further information:  $\underline{\text{szekely.agnes@rekthiv.elte.hu}} \text{ or } \underline{\text{erasmus@elte.hu}}.$ 

## Ad III a) Follow-Up on the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Forum on the EUSDR, November 2012

See website:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/conferences/danube\_forum2012/index\_en.cfm

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## Ad III b) ESMU-CEU Executive Program for Senior University Leaders, 20-23 Feb. 2013

A joint initiative of the European Centre for Strategic Management of Universities (ESMU) and Central European University (CEU) under the MODERN European Platform on Higher Education Modernisation, the ESMU-CEU program aims to provide a place for interactive peer learning and exchange on matters relevant for leaders of higher education institutions. It is an opportunity to meet experts and engage in a dynamic conversation on global challenges for higher education institutions.

The course is organized as an interactive executive program, allowing participants to discuss pressing issues in their universities, taking into account national, regional, and global trends and developments, with input from international experts. The focus is on discussing real challenges, as well as on learning about practical ways to address them.

We are inviting you to join us in Budapest and look forward to receiving your **application** for the program **by 11th January 2013**.

For further information, please see <a href="http://spp.ceu.hu/events/2013-02-20/university-leaders-responding-to-funding-challenges">http://spp.ceu.hu/events/2013-02-20/university-leaders-responding-to-funding-challenges</a> and <a href="http://www.highereducationmanagement.eu">http://www.highereducationmanagement.eu</a>

This ESMU-CEU Executive Program is designed for senior university leaders from the extended Central and Eastern European region from Rectors to Vice-Rectors or equivalent positions. The program will be particularly valuable for those senior university leaders eager to gain an in-depth understanding of key issues critical to modern university governance, leadership and management in increasingly competitive global environments.

The fee of 1450 Euro includes all documentation, accommodation, meals, transfers to activities and a Budapest sightseeing trip.

With further queries about this new programme, please contact Julia Iwinska at CEU: Highered\_programs@ceu.hu or Nadine Burquel at ESMU: nadine.burquel@esmu.be.

Above all please send in your application no later than 11th January 2013.

Ad III c) ESMU-CEU Conference: Strategic Management of Universities: Rankings and Classifications (17 – 20 April 2013, Budapest)

Further Information: www.esmu.be and www.highereducationmanagement.eu

To apply, please download the application form from <a href="http://highereducationmanagement.eu/">http://highereducationmanagement.eu/</a> or <a href="http://www.ceu.hu/">http://www.ceu.hu/</a> and send your application form to ESMU: <a href="mailto:administration@esmu.be">administration@esmu.be</a>

The DRC presidency and Secretariat 2012 thus thank all members for their activities in this interesting year for the DRC and the EUSDR, and wish you merry Christmas and a happy new year!