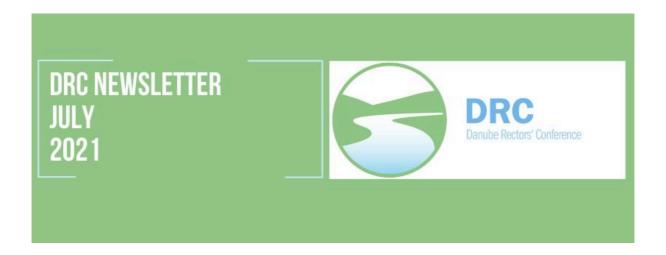
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Dear subscribers of the DRC Newsletter,

The July edition of our newsletter is here! We hope you are enjoying the warm weather out there! Even during this well-deserved summer rest, the DRC is coming up with the exciting activities and information for the months to come.

Most importantly, more information about the **2021 DRC Annual Meeting in Uzhhorod** are included in this edition of the DRC Newsletter.

You could also take a look at the events organised within the framework of the **OeAD Summer Schools**. The **EUA** is also regularly throwing **webinars and workshops on education in Europe**. You will find more information below!

We would also like to remind you that the **Global Young Academy** has launched its **2022 GYA membership call**. If you are or you know a young researcher willing to promote science, check the call out!

We encourage you to get involved in any of the initiatives that caught your eyes! And remember, feedback and comments are always welcome!

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1. Save the Date: DRC Annual Meeting



We kindly invite you to our next **Annual Meeting** to be held at the **Uzhhorod National University, Ukraine, on 11-12 November 2021**.

This year's edition of the DRC Annual Meeting will have as a leading theme `The role of University and its Resilience in the Age of Global Challenges'.

A detailed programme including the registration form as well as further information will be published on the <u>DRC website</u> in the upcoming months closer to the date of the Annual Meeting.

We look forward to seeing you in Uzhhorod!

2. JRC Open Access



The European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) is the science and knowledge service of the European Commission. It gives leading researchers from across Europe and beyond access to its world-class facilities and laboratories, enabling state-of-the-art experimental research, collaboration and capacity building with a European dimension. It does so through the programme for open access to JRC research infrastructures.

EC DG Joint Research Centre has issued **4 open access calls** for their EUFRAT research infrastructures for outstanding researchers to apply to:

- 1. MONNET, Tandem accelerator based fast neutron source (EUFRAT)
- 2. <u>RADMET</u>, Radionuclide Metrology laboratories (EUFRAT)
- 3. GELINA, the JRC Neutron Time-of-Flight Facility (EUFRAT)
- 4. <u>HADES</u>, Underground laboratory for ultra-low level gamma-ray spectrometry (EUFRAT)

Scientists granted access calls see their **scientific needs fulfilled** by having access to JRC exceptionnal research infrastructures, and to get in touch with other **talents**, thus disseminating **knowledge**, stimulating **innovation** and **competitiveness**, improving methods and skills, and fostering **collaboration at European level**.

The call is open **until the 15th of September 2021**. To find more information on **eligibility and the selection process**, visit this <u>page</u>!

3. OeAD Summer School 2021



Both <u>AEMS</u> and <u>GBS</u> **OeAD Summer schools** were opened during an **hybrid kick off event** on **Monday, July, 19th**!

As both summer schools were dealing with sustainability, in architecture for the "Green.Building.Solutions" (GBS) summer school and economics for the "Alternative Economic and Monetary Systems" (AEMS) one, it was natural to launch them with a Grand Opening Event entitled "Climate Change - is there a new dynamic?". This event featured climatologist Helga Kromp-Kolb, Fridays for Future-activist Anika Dafert and architect & urban planner Gabu Heindl! The hybrid event took place online and at the Vienna University of Technology (TU Wien).

Around the globe, climate change drives crowds onto the streets to protest, calling for a change of mindset and more responsibility to be taken. **Does this point towards a new dynamic in the environment and climate change debate?** Speakers tried to answer the question during this session.

You have more information on the Grand Opening Event here!

The following weeks will be dedicated to both summer schools. The **AEMS** summer school will welcome **50 participants from 26 countries** and 11 different time zones and the **GBS** summer university will be attended by **51 participants from 31 nations!** Both groups of students and professionals involved in the programs will get to **expand their knowledge on sustainability in their field of studies**, during a unique experience enriched by different perspectives and cultures.

This year again, the **DRC financed the participation of four international students to participate** to one OEAD Summer School. We hope that all of them will learn about how to green our society.

To get more information and follow the latest news of AEMS, click <u>here</u>. You can find more about GBS <u>here</u>.



4. Upcoming "Sharing Future" Artist Residence



The "Sharing Future" artist in residence grant from the International Elias Canetti Society, financially supported by the Danube Rectors' Conference, is now entering its third round this year. Young artist Thomas Perle will take residence in Ruse, Bulgaira on the 20th of September, 2021.

Thomas Perle, a German-Romanian author and playwright, will use his time at the historic Canetti villa to work on a piece about the Danube, a river immersed in

history, and collect voices from people who live near and with the Danube.

He will then realize his **multilingual project "donauwellen"**. In addition, **his book will also be translated into Bulgarian** and he will be participating to this year's literature festival. The Canetti House will be made available to him as an undisturbed place of work with various possibilities for artistic expression. He will have the opportunity to **discover the local cultural scene in Ruse and Bulgaria** and to artistically implement the resulting synergies. Following the residency period, Thomas Perle will present the results of his creativity as part of a cultural event in the Canetti House.

We look forward to discover Thomas Perle's journey in Russe as well as his project! We are glad to support - for the third time - a young artist from the Danube Region with our "Sharing Future" Artist in Residence Scholarship, which aims at promoting international dialogue, artistic exchange. All kind of artists are welcomed to take part in the project as long as they work for the guiding principle of the scholarship: cooperation for a common Europe and a common future.

Information on the "Sharing Future Scholarship" can be found here and here.





5. Launch of MCU 2020 & 32nd Anniversary of the Magna Charta Universitatum



On June 16 and 17, 2021 the new Magna Charta (MCU 2020) was signed during a virtual event. All signatories of the 1988 MCU had been invited to sign the 2020 version.

During the signature event, that hosted both the **32nd Anniversary of the Magna Charta Universitatum** and **launch of the MCU 2020**, global perspectives from international speakers about the current and anticipated **future environments facing universities** were discussed. Furthermore, participants talked about how the MCU 2020 to strengthen the **role of universities in the preservation of the planet and promoting health, prosperity and enlightenment** around the world.

The revised version of the Magna Charta was prepared to reflect the perspectives of both leadership and the whole academic community and explicitly includes concepts such as diversity, inclusion, social responsibility and university citizenship. The sessions during the signature event were valuable and timely in discussing the values of academic freedom, university autonomy and the need for universities to serve society.

You can go through the slides and videos used by the signatories of the MCU and watch the online event that was recorded on this page.

Furthermore, two articles on the new Magna Carta were published following the event. We encourage you to read them:

- Universities as agents of human and societal well-being, written by the new President of the Magna Charta Observatory Governing Council, Patrick Deane, that appeared in University World News
- A New Magna Charta, written by Elizabeth Redden, and published by Inside

Higher Ed.

If you want to know more about the Magna Charta, click here.

6. Global Young Academy 2022 membership call



Global Young Academy is looking for new young and talented scholars!

GYA is an international society of young scientists across the globe, aiming to give them a voice. It was founded in 2010, as an independent science academy of early- to mid-career successful and committed researchers.

To reach more outstanding young scientists around the globe, GYA has launched its 2022 GYA membership call. It is open until 15 September 2021 (18.00 UTC).

GYA is looking for scholars of any research discipline (such as the natural, physical and social sciences, as well as arts and humanities). Applicants must be **PhD** holders – or equivalent, in the **early to middle years of their careers**, with a **high level of excellence** in their discipline, and **willing to promote science**, engage in policy debate, and foster international collaboration.

Each member is **expected to participate** in the next **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** of the GYA, held from **13 June – 17 June 2022** in Japan and to actively **contribute the organization's programs**: participation in policy development, promotion of the National Young Academies, or promotion of science and education at the international level..

More **information on how to apply and the online application form** can be found <u>here</u>. If you are a young scholar willing to promote your field of expertise, don't hesitate to apply!

7. Upcoming EUA events on higher education



We would like to share with you the upcoming webinars, training sessions, and discussion organised or co-organised by the **European University Association**!

As part of the <u>FAIRsFAIR</u> project, EUA and the <u>University of Göttingen</u> are organising two workshops:

- "Training the trainers: Data management and FAIR data principles in university curricula", taking place online on **15 September** at 10:00 CEST.
- "Practical implementation of FAIR-related content in university curricula and teaching", held online on 12 October at 10.00 CEST.

To get more information about registration and participation, visit this page.

The EUA will also hold a conference to discuss developments in learning and teaching at European universities: the <u>European Learning & Teaching Forum: On site</u>, online, on point?, held on **17 - 18 February 2022** at the **University of Deusto**, in Bilbao, Spain. It will address questions related to new technologies and learning and teaching, digitalisation in a university's culture, and digitalisation and equity of access to learning.

To know more about this fascinating event, click here!

8. DRC Facebook Page



We are trying to improve the circulation of information within our network. We kindly ask you to also connect with us via <u>Facebook</u> and visit the <u>DRC webpage</u>.

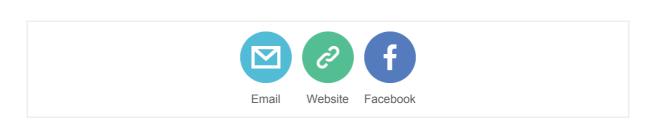
Thank you very much and best regards from Vienna



9. EUA Affiliate Status and EUA Newsletter

We are continuously strengthening and expanding our network. Since November 2015, the DRC is affiliate member of the <u>European University Association</u>.

If you are interested in their news and activities, please follow the link.



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