



# EU-CONEXUS

## Research for Society

# Project data

<b>Project title:</b>	EU-CONEXUS Research for Society
<b>Acronym:</b>	EU-CONEXUS RFS
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<b>Duration:</b>	36 months
<b>Total budget:</b>	1 992 960 EUR
<b>EU grant:</b>	1 992 960 EUR



## Aims of institutional transformation of European University Alliance

1. Developing an integrated and long-term strategy and agenda on research and innovation
2. Implementing actions and strategies to strengthen human capital, enabling balanced brain circulation and promoting gender balance
3. Creating best practices and conditions for sharing infrastructures and other resources
4. Strengthening relationships between universities and industrial sectors
5. Strengthening links with society, private companies and stakeholders
6. Sharing knowledge with citizens living in coastal areas



## Research for Society Opens Up Opportunities:

### TOWARDS BUILDING INNOVATIVE EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ALLIANCE

- to create an internationally competitive research and innovation structure
- to train researchers who follow a career path
- to implement innovative partnerships with industries
- to act globally and involve the society
- to promote a gender equality



# The project relies on six main expectations

1. Interconnection of transformations will **complete already employed long-term vision for the European University.**
2. Facilitating researchers' mobility and access to multiple work environments will bring a **new profile of European researchers focusing on environmental issues.**
3. Enabling public and intra-alliance access to information will **increase exchanges, enable cooperation and co-creation, and develop inter-partner projects.**
4. Sharing resources will mean **lower costs, offer the opportunity to achieve an ecological impact** on multiple purchases and investments in new resources.
5. Training and exchanges with actors of the social and economic innovation system will enable to **reduce challenges that coastal areas and cities are facing.**
6. Understanding the specific **challenges each university will harmonise practices and working conditions, making them fairer, more sustainable and more environmentally friendly.**



# Gender dimension

## PROMOTING EQUALITARIAN CAREERS

- Comparing women/men working conditions and for promoting equalitarian careers
- Developing a knowledge transfer and innovation management system for representing both genders equally
- Bringing a specific focus of an innovative mentorship programme
- Promoting gendered innovations



# EU-CONEXUS RFS FOR



# Governance structure

## GOVERNING BOARD (GB)

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Takes strategic decisions for both projects;  
composed of Rectors/Presidents of each university.

## RESEARCH COUNCIL (RC)

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Takes over the responsibilities of the Joint Research Steering Committee (Erasmus+) and supervises the RFS actions and the Erasmus+ WP4 actions, activities of WGs of both projects composed by Vice-rectors for Research.

## ACADEMIC COUNCIL (AC)

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Makes proposals on academic offers (also in relations with Research activities (PhD....) to the GB, is responsible for the implementation of Erasmus+ WP 2 actions; composed by Vice-rectors for Academic Affairs.

## STUDENT BOARD (SB)

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Makes proposals to RC, AC, GB and other units of the project; composed by student representatives from all partners.

## MANAGEMENT BOARD (MB)

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For operational actions of both projects, composed by ED and representatives from all partners.

## COORDINATION TEAM

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ED-3PM (2 LRUniv + 1 KU: special RFS responsibility)

Advisory boards of  
EU-CONEXUS

## EXTERNAL ADVISORY BOARD (EAB)

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Ensures evaluation and quality control,  
gives advices on governance of both  
projects.

## FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL (FINADMIN)

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Advices and supports on financial  
and administrative issues,  
extended missions for the RFS  
project.



# List of work packages (WP)

WP-number	WP-name	Lead partner
WP1	Management of the project	LRUniv
WP2	Science and Innovation Agenda and positioning in the ERA	LRUniv UTCB
WP3	Strengthening socially responsible management and development of human resources	UCV
WP4	Research infrastructures and resources	AUA
WP5	Knowledge transfer & innovation	KU
WP6	Open Science and citizenship involvement (OSCI)	UNIZD
WP7	Communication, dissemination and exploitation	KU



# Where do we want to be?

In 3 years our research approach will deliver an innovative, multi-disciplinary university service, equally covering education, research, and societal needs



MANAGEMENT



GENDER  
EQUALITY



JOINT RESEARCH



EXTERNAL  
SERVICES FOR  
STAKEHOLDERS



RESEARCHERS'  
CAREER



RESEARCH  
INFRASTRUCTURE



SCIENCE FOR SOCIETY



KNOWLEDGE  
TRANSFER AND  
EXPERTISE INTO  
SERVICES



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