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European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability

# One of the 17 first 'Universities of the Future'

It is a transnational European higher education and research institution that covers the smart urban sustainable coastal development from a global point of view.

The EU-CONEXUS teaching, research and innovation programmes include the totality of social, econmic, and environmental problems and opportunities that coastlines are facing today.





## EU-CONEXUS RESEARCH FOR SOCIETY

# Towards Building The Future European University Aliance

Aims at a institutional transformation in all partner universities for creating a multidisciplinary, challenge-driven, internationally competitive research and innovation structure, relying on researchers who follows a career path, and who is open to qualitative new, participatory and innovative partnerships with industries and the civil society.



## Expectations



 Interconnection of transformations will complete already engaged long-term vision for the European University.



4. Sharing resources will bring lower costs, offer the opportunity to reach the ecological impact of multiple purchases and investments in new resources.



2. Facilitating researchers' mobility and access to multiple work environments will bring a new profile of European researchers to have more attitude on environmental issues.



 Training and exchanges with actors of the social and economic innovation system will enable to reduce challenges that coastal areas and cities are facing.



3. Enabling public and intra-alliance access to information will increase exchanges, enable cooperation and cocreation, build inter-partner projects.



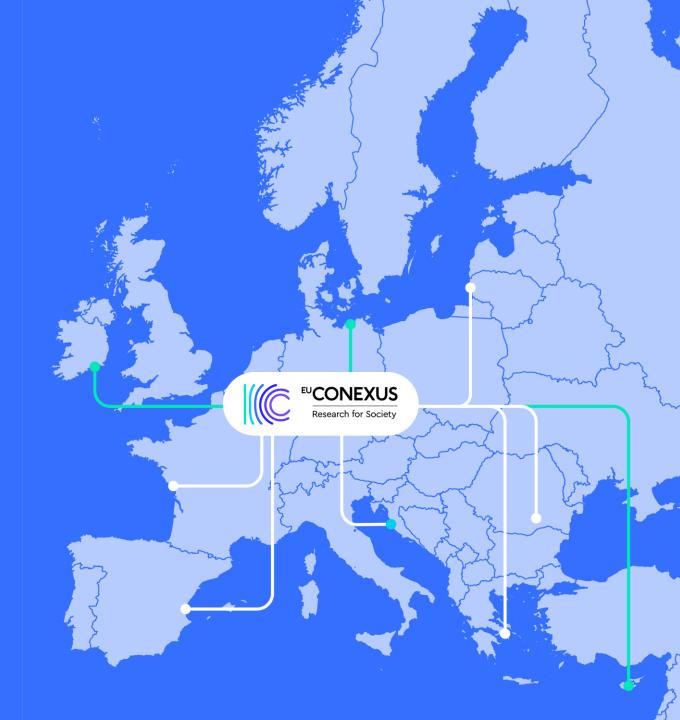
6. Understanding the specific challenges each university will harmonise practices and working conditions, making them fairer, more sustainable and more environmentally friendly.

# A Hub of Excellence in Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability

5,600 ACADEMIC STAFF

65 RESEARCH INSTITUTES

98 RESEARCH GROUPS



#### La Rochelle Université, France

A human-sized university specialising in Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability issues.

Technical University of Civil Engineering of Bucharest, Romania

We build education in engineering

#### Catholic University of Valencia, Spain

Professional and personal growth of students, staff and society.

Agricultural University of Athens, Greece

> Provides a high level of Education and Research since 1920.

# Croatia

A space of creativity and transfer of new knowledge and technologies.

Klaipeda University,

A national and Baltic Region leader in the field of marine sciences.

## Lithuania

The University of Rostock

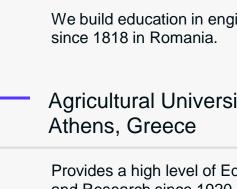
#### Frederick university

Assists students achieve the maximum of their potential and empowers them to have a positive impact to society.

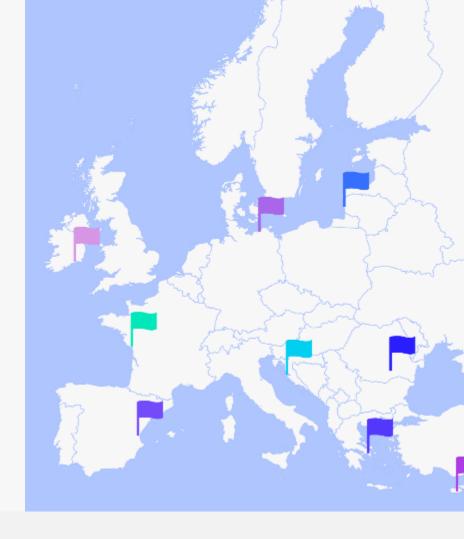


Waterford Institute of Technology

Education-focussed collaborative, inclusive, ethical and innovative community



University's motto "Traditio und Innovatio"



## Project data

Project title: EU-CONEXUS Research For Society

Acronym: EU-CONEXUS RFS

Funding Programme: HORIZON 2020 Programme –

"Science with and for Society"

Start: 1st March, 2021

End: 29th February, 2024

**Duration: 36 months** 

Total budget: 1 992 960 EUR

EU grant: 1 992 960 EUR







## **EU-CONEXUS**



**MOBILITY** 



JOINT STUDY PROGRAMMES



**SMART CAMPUS** 



**CAMPUS LIFE** 



**MANAGEMENT** 



GENDER EQUALITY & NON DISCRIMINATION



**INFRASTRUCTURE** 



EXTERNAL AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

## RESEARCH FOR SOCIETY



RESEARCHERS' CAREER



JOINT RESEARCH



**KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER** 

#### Institutional transformation at Alliance level

Innovative structure

RESEARCH

European Research Area

Joint science

Innovation agenda



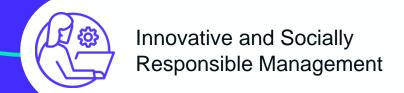


Open Science



# RESEARCH FOR SOCIETY





# Developing Joint Science



# BY SHARING RESOURCES AND INFRASTRUCUTRES

- A Joint Research Area in:
  - Life Sciences and Biotechnology
  - Environmental Sciences and Biodiversity
  - Coastal Engineering
  - Social Sciences, Culture and Human Sciences
- Development of joint research projects
- Wider training opportunities
- Access to 9 times more research infrastructures
- Reduce ecological impact, be more sustainable



# Gender Equality & non-discrimination



# PROMOTING EQUAL CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Comparing women/men working conditions 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
- Ensuring non-discrimination culture



# Science & Business Cooperation



#### INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT IN RESEARCH

- Engaging innovation ecosystem
- Expertise services to stakeholders
- Science commercialisation
- Knowledge transfer
- Innovation hub:

  advertising innovative solutions



# Open Science



#### **OPENING SCIENCE FOR SOCIETY**

- Increasing citizenship involvement
- Developing practices for society inclusivness
- Increasing society's knowledge on research results
- reuse of knowledge and making it more reliable, effective and reasonable
- Creating an EU-CONEXUS Open Science platform



# Innovative and Socially Responsible Management



# CONTROL & RELY ON SUSTAINABLE RESEARCH COOPERATION

- Innovative practices in strategic development
- Socially responsible financial and administrative coordination
- Harmonized quality assurance and monitoring
- Coherence within European Research Area



RESEARCHERS / FUTURE RESEARCHERS

**STUDENTS / PERSPECTIVE STUDENTS** 

**SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS** 

**OTHER EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES** 

LOCAL, NATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL POLICY MAKERS

**PUBLIC AUTHORITIES** 

**EU BODIES** 

INDUSTRIES AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC PARTNERS

**CITIZENS & GENERAL PUBLIC** 

#### EU-CONEXUS RFS FOR



#### Governance Structure

#### **GOVERNING BOARD (GB)**

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

#### RESEARCH COUNCIL (RC)

Takes over the responsabilities of the Joint Research Steering Commitee (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)

Makes proposals on academic offers (also in relations with Research activities PhD to the GB is responsable for Erasmus+ WP2 actions; composed by Vice-rectors in Academic Affairs.

#### RFS- MANAGEMENT BOARD (MB)

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

#### Coordination Team

La Rochelle University team + Klaipeda University Project Manager

#### RFS- WORKING GROUPS (WG)

WP1 RFS Management Board (wg)
Data Management and GDPR Issues
(wg)
Research Integrity Committee (wg)
Gender Equality Plan (wg)

WP2 European Research Area (WG)

WP3 Joint Human Resources Unit (WP)

WP4 Research Infrastructure and Resources (WG)

WP5 Public and Corporate Relations
Unit (WG)

WP6 Open and Participatory Science (WG)

WP7 Joint Communication Unit (WG)



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