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Shaping a European society in transition

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EPICUR Alliance

Framework

EPICUR belongs to the first generation of European university alliances, co-funded by the European Commission in November 2019

Organisation

Epicur is composed of 8 higher education institutions from 6 different European countries.

Committment

EPICUR is committed to developing new pedagogies, strengthening the role of research, increasing mobility, interaction with Society and language learning through distance travel and exchanges.

Targets

Epicur is addressed to students, teachers and researchers as well as administrative staff.



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The 8 Universities



University of Amsterdam,
Amsterdam

Adam Mickiewicz University,
Poznan

University of Strasbourg,
Strasbourg

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology,
Karlsruhe

Albert Ludwig
University of Freiburg,
Freiburg

University of Haute-Alsace,
Colmar/Mulhouse

University of Natural Resources
and Life Sciences,
Vienna

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki,
Thessaloniki

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The alliance in numbers



307 000

Students



40 000

staff including 21
000 academic
staff



118

faculties



156

Research groups

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EPICUR work packages

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Work packages

EPiCUR Education

- WP1: **Project management**
- WP2: **Multilingualism & Inclusive** Governance
- WP3: **Innovative learning & teaching** formats for European citizens of the future
- WP4: **Inter-university campus**, based on student and staff centred approach
- WP5: Strengthening and connecting **Regions** through a European University
- WP6: **Dissemination** and **sustainability**

EPiCUR Research

- WP1: Developing a **common research & innovation agenda**
- WP2: **EPiCommunity** as basis for strengthening human capital
- WP3: Testing **EPiClusters** as a new format of collaboration with other sectors, and sharing research infrastructures and respective resources
- WP4: **EPiConnect**: Exploring Joint Structures with other alliances
- WP5: **Management** of the project
- WP6: Institutional **Sustainability and Communication**

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EPICUR micro-credentials

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Discussions around MC

- EPiCUR mission statement:

“Our European University for the future is a place where all our **boundlessly mobile students, doctoral candidates and staff** irrespective of their nationality, mother tongue, cultural or socio-economic background, acquire a **broad, interdisciplinary, academic perspective** strongly rooted in our European traditions”

- MC have not been planned for the pilot phase
- MC increasingly at the centre of our strategical discussions to certify our learning offers in multilingualism & LAS, based on the blockchain technology

➡ Certification of a “European study experience” done on various campuses with a digital certificate (platform)

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European standard of MC would bring some solutions to existing issues

- More flexibility in the innovative EPiCUR pedagogical offer:
 - Modular learning pathways: modules according to competencies
 - Flexibility in re to ECTS: from a couple of courses up to 30 ects
 - Flexibility in re to the mobility formats: F2F, hybrid, virtual
 - Quality assurance: common pedagogical contract with learners with transparent criteria, comparable across borders
 - Attractiveness of joining a coherent study programme aiming at a certificate once completed, instead of "just" 1 & 2 semesters abroad
- ➡ Increase the number of people in mobility & more inclusive

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Building the university of the future



A new educational approach based on the concept of inclusive excellence, multilingualism and interculturality



Innovative teaching and learning models accessible thanks to physical or/and virtual mobilities through the connected campuses.



Development of a research programme to improve and strengthen the interaction between science and society (SwafS programme)



A network of European universities and regions for a boundless mobility of students, teachers and staff





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