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UNICA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

& SEMINAR
“UNIVERSITIES IN THE CAPITALS
AND THE GRAND CHALLENGES”

UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW • 16-19 NOVEMBER 2016



GENERAL ASSEMBLY PROGRAMME



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WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2016

14:00-17:30 **Meeting of the UNICA Steering Committee**
*Venue: Room 15, Kazimierzowski Palace, University of Warsaw
 Main Campus, Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28*

THURSDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2016

8:00-9:00 **Registration, morning coffee and tea**
Venue: Foyer of the Senate Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace

9:00-11:00 **Administrative General Assembly of UNICA - part 1**
 Welcome by Rector of the University of Warsaw Marcin Pałys
 Welcome by UNICA President Luciano Saso
Venue: Senate Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace

11:00-11:30 **Coffee break**
Venue: Golden Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace

11:30-13:00 **Administrative General Assembly of UNICA - part 2**
Venue: Senate Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace

12:50-13:00 **Time for a group picture**
Venue: Kazimierzowski Palace

13:00-14:00 Lunch	University, Culture and the City
<i>Venue: Golden Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace</i>	<i>Venue: Room 15, Kazimierzowski Palace</i>

14:00-16:00 **Programme for accompanying persons**
 Guided visit of the Royal Castle

14:00-15:30 CP/IRO meeting	Rectors' meeting
<i>Venue: Room 308, Old Library</i>	<i>Venue: Senate Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace</i>

15:30-16:00 **Coffee break**
Venue: Golden Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace

16:00-19:00 **Study tour of academic Warsaw for GA and Rectors Seminar participants**

19:30-21:00 **Welcome reception**
Venue: Golden Hall, Kazimierzowski Palace

FRIDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2016 - UNICA SEMINAR:

**“UNIVERSITIES IN THE CAPITALS
 AND THE GRAND CHALLENGES”**
 Chair of the Seminar: Luciano Saso, UNICA President
Venue: Old Library Aula, University of Warsaw - Main Campus

8:30-9:00 **Registration for the Seminar**
 Morning coffee & tea
Venue: Foyer of the Old Library

- 9:00-9:30 Welcome**
- Hanna Gronkiwicz-Waltz, Mayor of Warsaw *or* Michał Olszewski, Deputy Mayor of Warsaw
 - Marcin Pałys, Rector of the University of Warsaw
 - Luciano Saso, UNICA President
- 9:30-11:00 Session I: UNICA Universities and Urban Challenges**
How has the position of Universities in European Capital Cities changed due to recent political developments? ♦ Universities and their role in creating favourable conditions for urban development ♦ City-University relations: peaceful coexistence or win-win relations?
 Chair: Anna Giza-Poleszczuk, Vice-Rector for Development at the University of Warsaw
- *Science as a factor of regional and urban development* - Andrés Rodriguez Pose, Professor of Economic Geography, London School of Economics, President of the Regional Science Association International (RSAI)
 - *Research potential of Warsaw in international scientific networks* - Agnieszka Olechnicka, Adam Płoszaj, Centre for European Regional and Local Studies (EUROREG), University of Warsaw
 - *Warsaw in global metropolitan networks* - Peter J. Taylor, Professor of Human Geography, Northumbria University
 - *Title TBC* - Miguel De Castro Neto, Expert in Smart Cities, Universidade NOVA de Lisboa
- Questions & Answers
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break**
Venue: Foyer of the Old Library
- 11:30-13:00 Session II: Panel discussion “University–City cooperation: What can universities do for the cities and vice-versa?”**
What are the most effective ways to strengthen the collaboration between the University and the City authorities? ♦ How can we involve Students in a more effective collaboration with the City? ♦ How to demonstrate the added value of a University in a Capital City? ♦ Why and how shall we promote the City interest in our Universities? ♦ How can Universities contribute to a better understanding of the City dynamics?
 Chair: Franck Leprevost, University of Luxembourg, Member of the UNICA Steering Committee
- Panel speakers:
- Andrzej Koźmiński, President of Koźmiński University, Warsaw
 - Deborah Philippe, Vice-Rector for University-City Relations at the University of Lausanne
 - Manuel Veiga, Municipal Director of Culture, Municipality of Lisbon
 - Sjoerd Arlman, Head of Department, City of Amsterdam
 - Jaak Aaviksoo, Rector, Tallinn University of Technology
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch**
Venue: Foyer of the Old Library
- 14:00-16:00 Session III: Panel discussion “Universities from the Capitals facing the Grand Challenges together”**
What is the role of Universities in the refugee crisis? ♦ How did Universities

react to the terrorist attacks? ♦ What kind of crisis management actions did they put in place? ♦ What is the impact of the recent events on international mobility? ♦ New role of Higher Education in Civic Education

Chair: Antonio Rendas, Rector of Universidade NOVA de Lisboa

Panel speakers:

- Didier Viviers, former Rector, Université Libre de Bruxelles
- Anna Buerud, Project leader for the Academic Dugnad programme, University of Oslo
- João Saagua, Vice-Rector, Universidade NOVA de Lisboa
- Jesús Escrivá Muñoz, Liaison Officer, Erasmus Student Network

16:00-16:30 Closing

16:30-19:00 Free time

19:00 University of Warsaw's Jubilee Dinner

Venue: Wilhelm Landau's Bank, Senatorska street 38

SATURDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2016

9:00-10:00 UNICA Steering Committee „breakfast” meeting

Venue: Bristol Hotel, Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28, Warsaw

19:00 Jubilee Concert

Venue: Warsaw Philharmony, Jasna street 5



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