

#### **EUA-CDE ANNUAL MEETING, BRESCIA**

## Pre-meeting Workshop II: New to doctoral education

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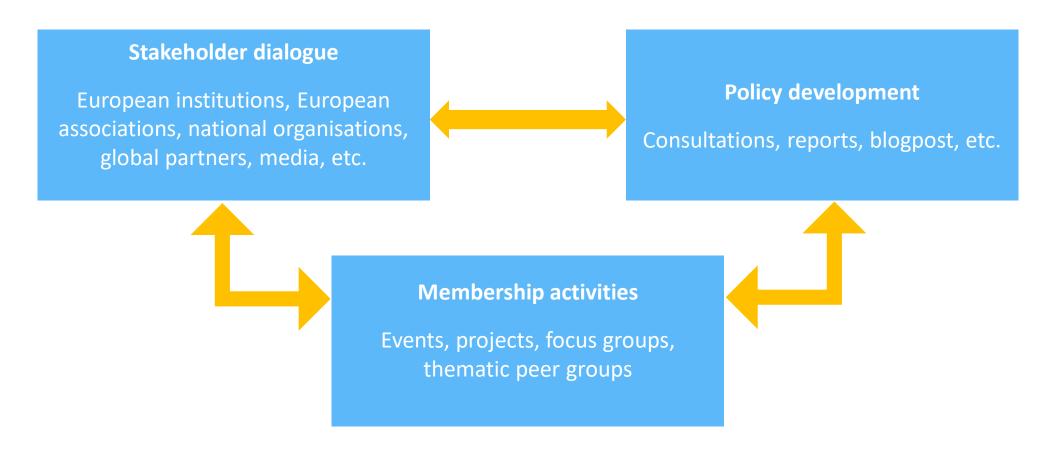
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#### **EUA-CDE**

Initiative of the European University Association (EUA), launched in 2008 with the aim to contribute to the development, advancement and improvement of doctoral education and research training in Europe

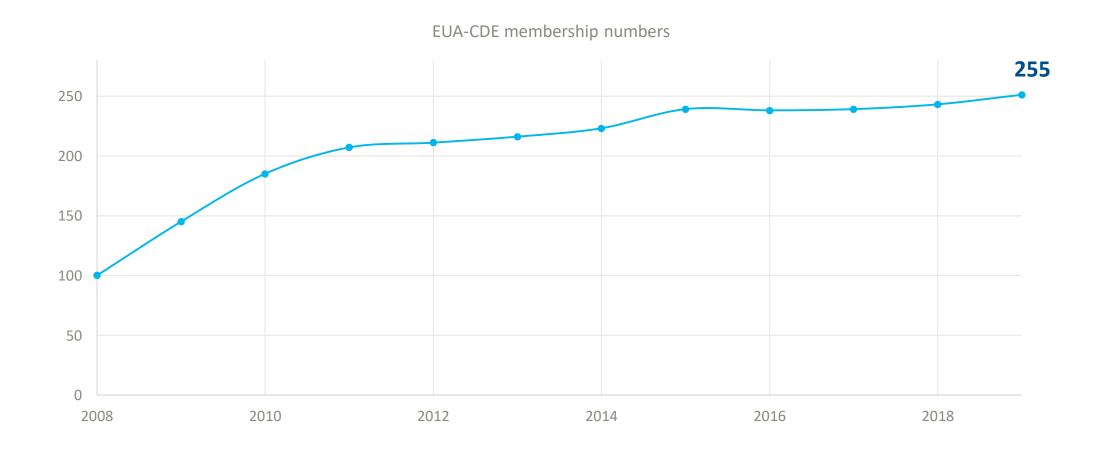
- Membership service of the European University Association
- The largest European Doctoral Education Network
- *Gathers* a community of academic leaders and professionals from 255 universities in 36 European countries
- Drives doctoral education policies and promotes cooperation and exchange of good practices on issues of common interest
- *Organises* regular conferences, workshops, focus groups, webinars and thematic peer groups, addressing fundamental and emerging topics of doctoral education
- *Identifies* and monitors the trends in doctoral education, inside and outside Europe
- Participates in policy dialogues on the European and global level
- Contributes to strengthening the international dimension of doctoral education and enhancing the visibility of doctoral schools and programmes at the European and international levels
- **Provides** policy advice to the EUA Board and Council.



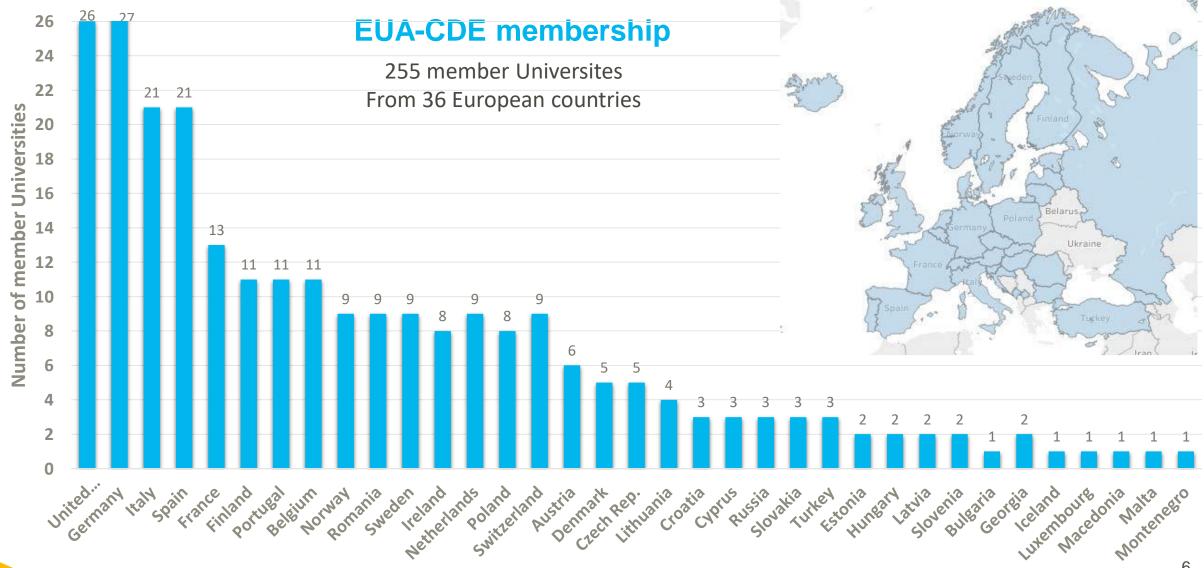




#### **Evolution of the EUA-CDE membership**







#### **EUA-CDE ANNUAL MEETING**

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Year	Thematic Workshop (January) ~ 90 participants	Place	Annual Meeting (June) ~ 230 participants	Place
2008	Enhancing of Supervision	London	Launch Conference	Lausanne
2009	Structuring Doctoral Education	Zagreb	Second Annual Meeting	Lausanne
2010	Researchers' Careers Support and Development	Ghent	Third Annual Meeting	Berlin
2011	Mobility – international and inter-sectoral	Budapest	Promoting Creativity	Madrid
2012	Supporting Individual Paths of Doctoral Candidates	Dublin	Funding Doctoral Education	Stockholm
2013	Interdisciplinary Doctoral Programmes	Turin	From Student to Researcher: are we on the right track?	Warsaw
2014	Education – Mindset, Research, Innovation	Izmir	Doctoral Education: Thinking globally, acting locally	Liverpool
2015	Regional Engagement and Doctoral Education	Marseille	Education – where do we go from here?	Munich
2016	Doctoral Supervision	Delft	Doctoral Education: a dilemma of quality and quantity?	Tarragona
2017	Ethics and Integrity in Doctoral Education and Research Training	Lisbon	Digitization: A game changer for doctoral education?	Tallin
2018	The Impact and Outcomes of Doctoral Education Reform in Europe	Malta	Excellence through diversity: doctoral education in a globalized world	Ljubljana
2019	Inter-institutional collaboration in doctoral education	Amsterdam	The societal dimension of doctoral education	Brescia



## Upcoming 13th Thematic workshop and Annual meeting in 2020

#### **13th EUA-CDE Thematic workshop**

23-24 January 2020

The focus of the next EUA-CDE Thematic Workshop is on how Universities can prepare doctoral candidates for academic careers and what challenges are attached to it.

Hosted by Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia

#### 13th EUA-CDE Annual meeting

24-26 June 2020

Hosted by the University of Manchester, UK



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# Evolution of Doctoral Education in Europe

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#### Pre-meeting Workshop II: New to doctoral education **EU contribution to the reform of doctoral education in** Europe

#### **TODAY**

#### June 2016

Taking Salzburg

**Forward** 

#### Principles for Innovative **Doctoral Training**

June 2011

#### October 2010

#### Salzburg Recommendations

**Doctoral education** is widely recognised as a key contributor to

the knowledge society. 255(-l) = growtn

239 universities in 36 countries.

After surveying 200 universities from 39 countries, EUA publishes "Taking Salzburg nappensilying new challenges for doctoral education.

The European Commission issues a set of "Principles for Innovative Doctoral Training" based on and including key elements of the "Salzburg Principles".

**EUA** publishes the "Salzburg Recommendations", an updated set of common guidelines on doctoral education for universities.

#### September 2003

#### Berlin Communiqué

#### February 2005

#### Salzburg Principles

#### May 2005 and 2007

#### Bergen and London Communiqués

June 2008

**FUA-CDE** 

The Bologna Process refers to doctoral education as a potential meeting place between the European Higher Education and Research Areas.

After surveying 48 universities from 22 countries, EUA establishes the "Salzburg Principles" for doctoral education reform.

The Bologna Process welcomes progress made and encourages EUA to further support the sharing of best practices in doctoral education.

**EUA-CDE** is launched with academic leaders and doctoral education professionals from more than 100 universities in over 30 countries.



## Conclusions and Recommendations from the Bologna Seminar on

"Doctoral Programmes for the European Knowledge Society"

Salzburg, 3-5 Feb 2005

#### **Salzburg Principles**

- 1. The core component of doctoral training is the advancement of knowledge through original research
- 2. Embedding in institutional strategies and policies
- 3. The importance of diversity
- 4. Doctoral candidates as early stage researchers
- 5. The crucial role of supervision and assessment
- 6. Achieving critical mass
- 7. Duration: 3 et 4 years full-time as a rule
- 8. The promotion of innovative structures
- 9. Increasing mobility
- 10. Ensuring appropriate funding



#### 1. RESEARCH AS THE BASIS AND THE DIFFERENCE

In line with the first Salzburg Principle, the goal of doctoral education is to cultivate the research mindset, to nurture flexibility of thought, creativity and intellectual autonomy through an original, concrete research project. It is the practice of research that creates this mindset.

#### 2.CLUES FOR SUCCESS

#### 2.1. Critical mass and critical diversity

Institutions must develop a critical mass and diversity of research in order to offer high quality doctoral education.

#### 2.2. Recruitment, admission and status

Doctoral programmes should develop recruitment strategies that correspond to their particular mission and profile.



#### 2.3. Supervision

Supervision must be a collective effort with clearly defined and written responsibilities of the main supervisor, supervisory team, doctoral candidate, doctoral school, research group and the institution, leaving room for the individual development of the doctoral candidate.

#### 2.4. Outcomes

The main outcome of doctoral education are the early stage researchers and their contribution to society through knowledge, competences and skills learnt by undertaking research, as well as awareness and openness towards other disciplines. The outcome of their research must testify to the originality of the research and be suitable for dissemination within the scientific community.



#### **CLUES FOR SUCCESS**

#### 2.5. Career development

Career support for doctoral candidates must take into account individual goals and motivations and acknowledge the wide range of careers for doctorate holders.

#### 2.6. Credits

The credit system developed for cohorts of students in the first and second cycles is not a necessary precondition for establishing successful doctoral programmes... High quality doctoral education needs a stimulating research environment driven by research enthusiasm, curiosity and creativity, not motivated by the collection of credits.



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#### Salzburg II (2010)

#### **CLUES FOR SUCCESS**

#### 2.7. Quality and accountability

are necessary to develop specific systems for quality assurance in doctoral education based on the diverse institutional missions and, crucially, linked to the institutional research strategy.

#### 2.8. Internationalisation

Internationalisation strategies should be a tool in increasing the quality in doctoral education and in developing institutional research capacity.

Friday, June 14, 2019



#### 3. CLEARING THE OBSTACLES

#### 3.1. Funding

High quality doctoral education requires adequate, sustainable and doctoratespecific funding opportunities.

#### 3.2. Autonomy

Institutions need autonomy to be able to establish, and be accountable for, diverse structures with different research strategies and strengths.

#### 3.3. Legal framework

The national and European legal frameworks must give institutions the possibility to engage in innovative doctoral programmes and take the necessary institutional responsibilities.

#### 3.4. Intersectoral collaboration

All stakeholders should engage in measures to facilitate co-operation between providers of doctoral education and the non-academic sectors to the mutual benefit of all partners.



## EU Commission Principles for Innovative Doctoral training

**Brussels** 

28-29 Nov 2011

#### **Innovative Doctoral Training**

- 1. Research Excellence
- 2. Attractive Institutional Environment
- 3. Interdisciplinary Research Options
- 4. Exposure to Industry and other Relevant Employment Sectors
- 5. International Networking
- 6. Transferable Skills Training
- 7. Quality Assurance



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## Membership activities



#### **EUA-CDE** Annual Meeting, 12-14 June 2019, Brescia, Italy







2019 EUA-CDE Annual Meeting

The societal dimension of doctoral education

O University of Brescia, Italy

(1) 12-14 June 2019





**EUA-CDE Thematic Workshop Tbilisi, Georgia January 23 & 24, 2020** 

**Topic: Academic Career Development** 



## **Thematic Peer Groups**

2019:

**Career tracking** and developement





#### **Linked-In Group**



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#### **Newsletter**





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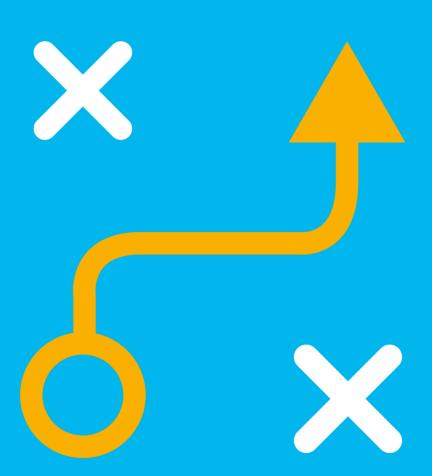


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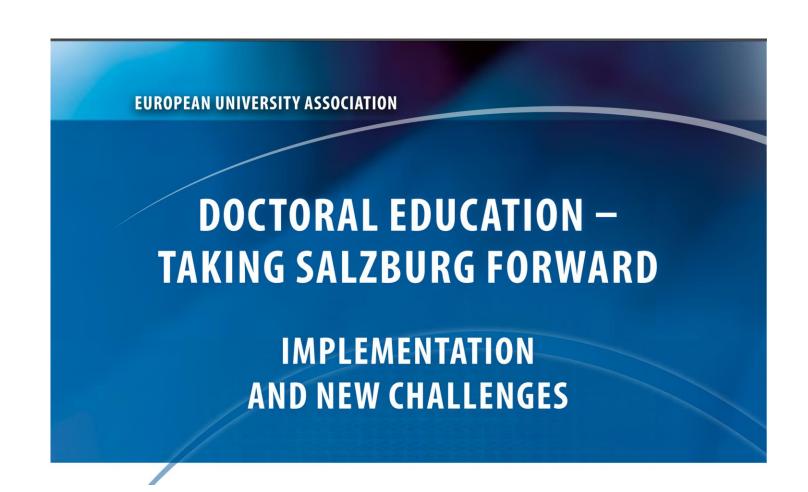


## **Priorities**





**2015: Taking Salzburg forward** 





## Developing an ethos of research integrity

- Constantly increasing competition.
  - → Pressure to show innovative results as early as possible
- Increasing awareness of the public on ethical questions
- Difference between research ethics and research integrity?
- New technologies include new challenges
- **Disciplinary specificities** should be taken into account



### Tackling the digital challenge

- Open research, open education (MOOCs), social media, big data etc.
- Universities need an appropriate research environment and coherent procedures covering the technical, legal and ethical aspects of digitalisation
- Supervisors are to be trained
- What does it mean for doctoral thesis?
- Opportunities that offer digitalisation are indisputable, however there is a need of risk awareness



## Embracing the globalisation of research

- Research is becoming increasingly global
- New technologies enable international exchange
- Internationalisation as part of the institutional strategies
- Institutions have the responsibility towards doctoral candidates with an international background
- Co-tutelles
- International capacity building



### **Engaging with the knowledge society**

- Doctoral education build bridges between Universities and societies
- Dialogue between Universities and other stakeholders can be supported through doctoral education
- There is a need for supporting of intersectorial mobility
- Professional development of doctoral candidates
- Regional anchoring



### **Emerging topics in doctoral education**

#### Mental Health / Mental wellbeing

- Increasing public attention to the topic
- Institutional responsability to provide support to the doctoral candidate
- Need for further research and the development of best practices

#### Postdocs

- Exploring the issue
- What are the specific needs of postdocs?
- What can doctoral education provide to postdocs



### **Emerging topics in doctoral education**

#### Research Assessment

- The career of early career researcher are strongly dependent on assessment systems
- Open science needs ending with the focus on only a few quantity-oriented indicators
- Doctoral candidates need to be able to do the "right" decision

#### Sustainable development goals

- Addressing the big societal challenges
- New skills needed
- Opportunities for global collaboration



## SAVE THE DATE!





### THE END ... Thank you for your attention







