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UNIMED GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Rome, 21-22 October 2015

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Prospects in the Mediterranean region: The role of University

First day - October 21 , 2015 - Conference in Plenary session

Faculty of Architecture – Sapienza University of Rome – Valle Giulia – Via Antonio Gramsci, 53

09:00 – 09:30 AM

Opening session/Welcome

- Domenico Laforgia, UNIMED President
- Eugenio Gaudio, Rector of Sapienza University of Rome
- Nicola Zingaretti, Regione Lazio President (TBC)
- Antonio Panzeri, President of Delegation for public relations and Maghreb countries, European Parliament

09:30 – 10:00 AM

UNIMED – 25 years of activity

- Franco Rizzi, UNIMED Secretary General

10:00 – 11:30 AM

Speakers from EU, International and National institutions

- Federica Mogherini, EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (TBC)
- Stefania Giannini, Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research (TBC)
- Ilan Chet, Deputy Secretary General of UfM - Union for the Mediterranean
- Michel Vauzelle, President of the Region Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur, President of the Inter-Mediterranean Commission of the Conference of Peripheral and Maritime Regions of Europe (CRPM)
- Sultan Abu-Orabi, Secretary General of AArU, Association of Arab Universities
- Representative from EUA, European University Association
- Cristina Russo, Director for International Cooperation, DG Research & Innovation – European Commission
- Michele Emiliano, President of Apulia Region (TBC)
- Antonello Cabras, President of Fondazione Banco di Sardegna (TBC)

Coffee break and networking

11:30 – 12:00 PM

12:00 – 02:00 PM

Speakers from UNIMED Associated Universities

02:00 – 03.00 PM

Lunch and Networking

03:00 – 03.30 PM

UNIMED PROJECTS by UNIMED staff

03:30 – 5:00 PM

Parallel Sessions

**WS1 – Erasmus+ (Mobility, Capacity Building, Joint Master Degree) –
Chaired by Marcello Scalisi, UNIMED Executive Director**

- Claire Herrmann, DG Education And Culture – European Commission, "Results and lessons from the first call and next opportunities for EU-South Med cooperation"
- Representative from AUB – American University of Beirut, Coordinator of Progreen Tempus project (TBD)
- Representative from Sassari University (TBD)
- Katuscia Cipri - Sapienza University of Rome, *“Master Program on Renewable Energies in the MENA Countries: Goals and results in numbers”*

**WS2 – Research and Innovation: H2020 and cooperation with
Mediterranean Partner countries –**

Chaired by Raniero Chelli, UNIMED EU Project Manager

- Claudio Bogliotti, Coordinator of MEDSPRING FP7 Project, IAMB
- Gregory Makrides, Director of Research and International Relations, University of Cyprus, President of EAEC - *Research and Innovations Indicators and their relation to internationalization: mapping and profiling*
- Alberto Soraci, Head of Technology Transfer Department Innova BIC, Messina *“The R2I experiences as starting point for Research and Innovation meta cluster development”*
- Representative from Institut Agronomique et Vétérinaire Hassan II, Morocco (TBD)

5:00 – 5:30 PM

Coffee break and networking

5:30 – 7:00 PM

**UNIMED General Assembly – (reserved to the members – one
representative for each member)**

- Opening speech of UNIMED President, prof. Domenico Laforgia
- Vote on the proposal of the new UNIMED Statute
- Election of members of statutory bodies : President, Vice-President, Secretary General, members of the Board of Directors.
- Work Plan 2016 to 2018
- Convocation of the next General Assembly in 2016
- Miscellaneous

Second day - 22 October 2015

Rectorate of Sapienza University of Rome – Piazzale Aldo Moro 5

9:00 – 9:30 PM

Results from Assembly and BoD election

09:30 – 11.00 AM

Parallel sessions

WS3 – Regional Cross-Border Cooperation -

Chaired by Marcello Scalisi, UNIMED Executive Director

- Representative from the Joint Managing Authority – ENI Programme, European Neighbourhood Instrument (TBD)
- Bernardo Notarangelo, Apulia Region (TBC)
- Representative from UCAS, Palestine (TBD)

WS4 – New Topics for the Euro Mediterranean cooperation:

- **Doctoral Education**
- **Employability and Entrepreneurship**

Chaired by Nicolas Patrici, University of Barcelona/AECHE

- Lisette Schmidt, Center for Doctoral Studies, Research Services and Career Development, University of Vienna, "Professional Management in Doctoral Education. Insights into an Evolving Occupational Field"
- Kiran G.R - Deputy Dean Middle East College (Oman) – *The Linking Med Gulf experience*
- Representative from USEK Kaslik University
- Lassaad El Asmi, President of Carthage University "For the Win-win Euro-Mediterranean cooperation in the doctoral education"

11:00 – 11:30 PM

Coffee break and networking

11:30 – 1:00 PM

Parallel Sessions

WS5 – Sustainable Tourism Development - *Chaired by Antonio Magliulo, Dean of Faculty of Economics of UNINT University and member of NECSTOUR Academic Committee*

- Fabio Pollice, Italian Geographical Society (TBC)
- Representative from Girona University (TBD)
- Irene Hazou, Vice-President for Academic Affairs , Bethlehem University (TBC)

WS6 – Cultural Heritage - *Chaired by Lorenzo Nigro, Sapienza University of Rome*

- Laura Baratin, Coordinator of INFOBC Tempus Project, University of

- Urbino (TBC)
- Representative from Southern Mediterranean University (TBD)

1:00 – 2:30 PM

Lunch and networking

2:30 – 03:30 PM

WS7 The University in the Digital era – Chaired and organized by Pegaso University

3:30 – 4:30 PM

WS8 – New Members and UNIMED enlargement: which opportunities?

Chaired by Ramon Torrent, Coordinator of AECHE Secretariat

- Mohammad Rafat, Deputy Secretary General of AArU, Association of Arab Universities
- Mousa Mousa Mohammed, President of Sirte University, Libya (TBC)
- Ali Al Araimi, Deputy Manager Director, Middle East College, Oman
- Moadeen Thumbay, President of Gulf Medical University, UAE
- Mustafa Aydin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Istanbul Aydin University and President of EURAS – Eurasian University Union, Turkey

4:30 – 5:00 PM

Coffee break and networking

5:00 – 6:00 PM

Closing Remarks

- Résumé by UNIMED Executive Director, Marcello Scalisi
- Enrico Granara, Ministro plenipotenziario, Direzione Generale per gli Affari Politici e di Sicurezza, Ministero Affari Esteri e per la Cooperazione internazionale
- Closing Remarks by UNIMED Secretary General, Franco Rizzi and by the new UNIMED President to be elected