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One vision

*The 4EU+ European University Alliance has **one vision**: to create a **new quality of cooperation** in teaching, education, research and administration. The cooperation is based on a **common understanding of the idea of the European university** that builds on academic freedom and autonomy and ensures fair access and participation in education.*

What is 4EU+?

- European alliance of **six** comprehensive, research-intensive, public European universities.
- **Similar yet different:** in terms of international visibility, research impact, level of internationalisation, lifelong learning, entrepreneurship initiatives, digitalisation of education, streamlining of administrative procedures
- **Geographically balanced:** Member States where our institutions are situated stretch from the Mediterranean to the North and Baltic Seas, covering **39%** of the EU territory
- Partnership based on previous bilateral and multilateral collaborations
- Founded on a **shared vision** of a European university and **shared responsibility** for Europe

Why 4EU+?

- **To do together what is beyond the capacity of each individual university**
  - To create a cross-institutional and flexible environment for academic leadership, students and staff
  - To open up novel possibilities for learning, teaching, research, innovation, staff capacity building and societal outreach
- **To ensure sustainability and efficiency by establishing a true governance and monitoring system which is not only project-based**

Three challenges

To build this new kind of integrated European university system, we will focus on three challenges:

- ***Boost Meaningful Mobility*** *– Better integrating our curricula and making mobility seamless for students in terms of education and employment prospects, while accommodating diverse needs and preferences.*
- ***Increase inclusiveness and balance at a European level*** *- Redressing inequalities in university capabilities to attract funding, gain international visibility and fully develop their potential in education, research, innovation and employment opportunities.*
- ***Develop a common challenge-based framework for education*** *– Designing flexible learning paths and ensuring graduates have 21st-century skills that combine research-based education, diverse language skills and a strong global and European outlook.*

Key activities planned for the „European Universities" pilot: Education

Creation of a 4EU+ framework for educational activities	•Definition of 4EU+ Student Portfolio of Skills, Competences and Values •Design of a 4EU+ Mobility Charter
Development of a 4EU+ learning pathway	•Specification of courses supporting the key Skills, Competences and Values •Introducing 4EU+ general courses on European citizenship and Data literacy •Designing a shared pool of „soft skills" courses with Associated Partners
Preparation for an Augmented 4EU+ campus	• Training for students and staff on collaborative online learning / Virtual Mobility • Creating a catalogue of online courses and courses with 4EU+ online collaborative learning modules

Key activities planned for the „European Universities" pilot: Societal outreach

Open Science & Society

- Collaborative citizen science projects
- Joint working group on implementation of Open Science and FAIR principles

Lifelong learning

- Co-created and co-driven lifelong learning activities and concepts

Challenge-based Education and research partnerships under 4 Flagships

F1: Health and demographic change in an urban environment

Coordinated by Charles University

F2: Europe in a changing world: Understanding and engaging societies, economies, cultures and languages

Coordinated by University of Warsaw

F3: Transforming science and society by advancing information, computation and communication

Coordinated by Heidelberg University

F4: Biodiversity and sustainable development

Coordinated by Sorbonne Université

Support of more than 20 Associated Partners!

Including:

- 3 municipalities (Copenhagen, Milan and Warsaw) and the Rhine-Neckar Metropolitan region
- Chambers of commerce
- NGOs
- leading enterprises

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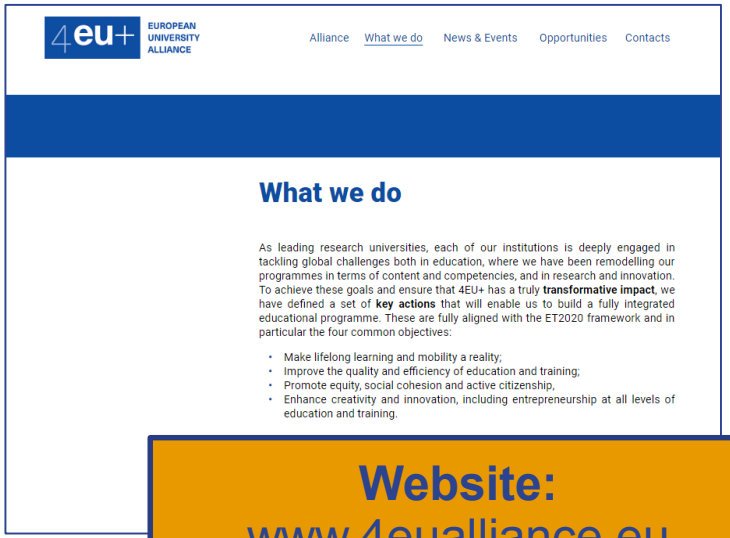

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