

NEXT EUROPE NETWORK

1st MEETING PROGRAMME

25th – 26th June 2015

UET, Tirana, Albania

FIRST DAY - Thursday, 25th June 2014

18:00 – 19.30 – Plenary Session at European University of Tirana, UET Aula Magna

18:00 – 18:15 – *Welcome note*

Prof. Dr. Adrian Civici, President of the European University of Tirana

18:15 – 18:30 – *EU Observatory: Connecting worlds to promote European education among universities, schools and civil society organisations*

Prof. Umberto Triulzi, Chancellor's Delegate for Cooperation - Head of the European Observatory, Sapienza University of Rome

18:30 – 18:45 - *Democratic transition and European integration in the Western Balkan*

Prof. Dr. Jacques Rupnik, Senior Research Fellow, Sciences Po

18:45 – 19:00 – *The dilemmas of building civil society outside of the West*

Prof. Jan Kubik, Director, UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies

19:00 – 19:15 – *The establishment of the Next Europe Network*

Henri Çili, PhD, Director General, UET

19:15 – 19:30 - *Bridging research with policy in the Western Balkans: limits and possibilities*

Odeta Barbullushi, PhD, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

19:30 – 19:45 – *Towards European Political Union: A challenge for Universities*

Prof. Francesco Gui, Coordinator of University for Europe, La Sapienza University

19.45 – 20.30 – Dinner/Reception, UET

SECOND DAY – Friday, 26th June 2014

*Next Europe Network: Reformation and Democratization of the Western Balkans
The Albanian path towards Europe: Civil Society Participation*

09:30 – 10:00 – Registration, Aula Magna, UET

10:00 – 11:30 - *Next Europe Network: Reformation and Democratization of the Western Balkans*

“Cooperation for research: South East European Studies”

Prof. Florian Bieber, Professor in South East European Studies and Director of the Center for South East European Studies at the University of Graz

“Democratization via Enlargement - EU Conditionality, Formal Compliance, and State Capture”

Dr. Arolda Elbasani, *Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies*

“Taking European Integration seriously. Albania's actual challenges”

Erjona Canaj, PhD, Head of the Department of Private Law, UET

Moderator: Blerjana Bino, PhD (c), Research and Development, UET

11:30 – 12:00 – Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:30 – *Europeanisation and the role of civil society*

“The role of Civil Society in EU migration policies”

Prof. Katia Scannavini, La Sapienza University

“The participation of Civil Society: process and condition. A socio-anthropological reading”

Prof. Emanuela Ferreri, La Sapienza University

“The Self-Regulatory Role of the Albanian Electronic Media as Civil Society Actors”

Dr. Belina Budini, Head of the Department of Communication and Public Relations, UET

Moderator: Prof. Umberto Triulzi, Chancellor's Delegate for Cooperation - Head of the European Observatory, Sapienza University of Rome



13:30 – 14:30 – Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 – *Next Europe Network and Future Plans*

“Erasmus+ instruments for cooperation”

Dr Franz Kok, University of Salzburg

“EU Observatory: a way to connect European students”

Valentina Gullo, Sapienza University of Rome

Europeanisation of the Western Balkans: Action Plan of the Network

Blerjana Bino, PhD (c), Research and Development, UET

Moderator: Nita Luçi, PhD, Head of University Program for Gender Studies and Research, University of Prishtina

16:00 – 16:30 – Coffee Break

16:30 – 17:00 – Concluding remarks