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## SGroup Annual Meetings 2020

# **Sustainable Internationalisation in Higher Education (Institutional Policies)**

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Agenda Online Liaison Officers' meeting and General Assembly

**28 – 29 October 2020**

## AGENDA – Liaison Officers’ meeting (LO)

| Time              | Wednesday, 28 October 2020   |
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| 10:00 – 10:10 CET | <p><u>Welcome by:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SGroup President - Professor Jacek Witkoś</li><li>• Pro-Rector from the University of Minho - Professor Carla Martins</li></ul>  |
| 10:10 – 11:40 CET | <p><u>Workshop 1: Outward Mobility for All</u> - Supporting students from underrepresented and disadvantaged groups</p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Alex Hughes and Bárbara Costa</p> <p><u>Poster Session: Best Practices in Outward Student Mobility by member Universities</u> (it can be accessed at all times via an URL which will be available in October)</p> <p>Introduction: review of the results of the questionnaires</p> <p>Part A) Managing and supporting outward mobility for students from underrepresented and disadvantaged groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alyssa Martin, University of Westminster + Discussion</li></ul> <p>Part B) Innovative practices in outward mobility for students from disadvantaged and underrepresented groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sabine Persico, University of Grenoble Alpes + Discussion</li><li>• Adriana Suárez Corona, University of León + Discussion</li></ul> <p>Conclusion</p> <p><u>Total duration:</u> 1h30</p> |

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| 11:40 – 12:50 CET | <p><u>Workshop 2: Concepts and Realities of Digital Internationalization: mobility and services</u></p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Arnim Heinemann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of the TTA webinars on the topic: operational level - Philipp Dengel, the University of Bayreuth</li> <li>• Best-practices presentation by SGroup members: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation by Sigrid Jost, Coordinator for Erasmus+ and Mobility worldwide from Justus Liebig University Giessen on the ‘Virtual International Programme’ (VIP);</li> <li>2. Presentation by Juha Eskelinen, Director for Digitalization from Tampere University on ‘Digital teaching pilots within a 5-year development programme in continuous education and ECIU XR Campus’.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Report on the results of the DAAD panel conference/presentation on ‘The multiple impact of sustainable and balanced ‘<i>digital</i>’ transformation on responsible knowledge transfer of civic Higher Education Institutions in a ‘<i>glocal</i>’ environment’ by Arnim Heinemann with Anthony Manning, Anca Kiss, Anja Valberg, Agata Mannino</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul> <p><u>Total duration:</u> 1h10</p> |
| 12:50 – 13:20 CET | <p><u>Workshop 3: SGroup New Communication activities</u></p> <p><u>Presented and chaired by:</u> Agata Mannino</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of the testimonial video concept with example</li> <li>• Discussion with LOs about the format</li> <li>• Summary of the discussion – definitive outcome</li> <li>• Who is ready to make a video?</li> <li>• Use of Slack as a communication tool</li> </ul> <p><u>Total duration:</u> 30min</p>  |
| 13:20 – 14:00 CET | Lunch  |
| 14:00 – 15:00 CET | <p><u>Workshop 5: Prioritizing SGroup activities</u></p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Jacek Witkoś</p> <p><u>Presented by:</u> Arnim Heinemann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of proposed strategy paper and possible new activities</li> <li>• Discussion (30min)</li> </ul> <p><u>Total duration:</u> 1h00</p>   |

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| 15:00 – 17:00 CET | <p><u>Workshop 6: Interactive session with the Liaison Officers / Brainstorming on Projects</u></p> <p><u>Presented and chaired by:</u> Bárbara Costa and Mariana Sousa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short presentation on new SGroup projects – Mariana Sousa</li> <li>• Guidelines for new Projects – Bárbara Costa</li> <li>• ‘Diagnostics of Competences for the Future’ project proposal by the Silesian University of Technology – Professor Małgorzata Dobrowolska</li> <li>• 4 brainstorming groups with feedback from rapporteurs. The groups will be given specific questions to discuss:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How can SGroup work together to bid for new funding sources?</li> <li>2. How can we work together to share good practices more effectively?</li> <li>3. Brainstorming on new project ideas</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Conclusion – Bárbara Costa</li> </ul> <p><u>Total duration:</u> 2h00</p> |
| 17:00 CET         | Closing remarks by the SGroup President  |

## AGENDA –General Assembly meeting (GA)

| Time              | Thursday, 29 October 2020   |   |
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| 10:00–10:15 CET   | Welcome by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SGroup President - Professor Jacek Witkoś</li> <li>• Rector of the University of Minho - Professor Rui Vieira de Castro</li> <li>• Video presentation of the University of Minho</li> </ul>  |   |
| 10:15-11:00 CET   | External Speaker presentation on:<br><b>Responsible International Partnerships and Collaboration</b> by Professor Joybrato Mukherjee, President of DAAD and of the University of Giessen<br><u>Chaired by:</u> Alex Hughes<br><u>Total duration:</u> 45min  |   |
| 11:00–13:00 CET   | <b>Internal Business Meeting (IBM)</b>  |   |
|                   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appointment of chair</li> <li>2. Approval of minutes from the General Assembly Meeting and the extraordinary GA 2019 in Canterbury</li> <li>3. Review of activities November 2019- October 2020</li> <li>4. Financial report 2019</li> <li>5. Revised Budget 2020</li> <li>6. Budget 2021 and proposal of membership fees</li> <li>7. Change of official address and other administrative matters e.g. new version of the logo</li> <li>8. Appointment of auditors</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Election of Executive Committee Members</li> <li>10. Election of SGroup President</li> <li>11. SGroup strategy proposal for 2021-2026</li> <li>12. Action Plan 2020 and 2021</li> <li>13. Impact award 2020</li> <li>14. Presentation of proposed new members</li> <li>15. Approval of new members</li> <li>16. General Assembly 2021</li> <li>17. General Assembly 2022</li> <li>18. Questions and discussion</li> </ol> |
| 13:00 – 14:00 CET | Lunch   |   |
| 14:00 – 14:45 CET | External Speaker Presentation on:<br><b>Higher education in the new global environment: towards an internationalisation for society!</b> by Prof. Hans de Wit, Professor and Director of the Center for International Higher Education (CIHE) at Boston College<br><u>Chaired by:</u> Arnim Heinemann<br><u>Total duration:</u> 45min   |   |

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| 14:45 – 16:45 CET | <p><b><u>SGroup member presentations on ‘Limits to Digital Universities’</u></b></p> <p><u>Chaired by:</u> Hans Abelius and Agata Mannino</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Results of the Covid-19 questionnaires – Mariana Sousa</li> <li>2. Overview of TTA webinar Results– Arnim Heinemann</li> <li>3. Digital Teaching and Learning: - <b>‘UMinho challenges and strategies in COVID-19 times’</b> by Prof. Laurinda Leite, Vice-Rector for Education from the University of Minho</li> <li>4. <b>‘Digital Research Environment: Concept and Relevance During the COVID-19 Pandemic’</b> – Prof. Dr Cyrus Samimi, Vice-Dean for digitalization of the Cluster of Excellence ‘Africa Multiple’, University of Bayreuth/ Dr Sulayman Sowe, Data Curator at Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence, University of Bayreuth</li> <li>5. <b>‘Disrupted practices - Rethinking virtual communication and interaction in pandemic times’</b> – Prof. Sylvi Vigmo, Senior Lecturer, University of Gothenburg</li> <li>6. Conclusions</li> </ol> <p><u>Total duration:</u> 2h00</p> |
| 16:45 CET         | Closing remarks by President Jacek Witkoś and farewell as president   |