

ERACON 2026 & CAREER-EU 2026 PROGRAMME

Monday, 22 June 2026

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| All day | Arrivals |
| 16:00 – 19:30 | REGISTRATIONS ARION BAR FOYER (Address of hotel venue: 3 Poseidonos Avenue, Yeroskipou, 8204, Paphos, Cyprus) Venue of Congress: Aphrodite Events Hall, ALIATHON RESORT |

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| 8:30 – 18:00 | Registrations Location: ARION BAR FOYER Aphrodite Events Hall, ALIATHON RESORT (Address of hotel venue: 3 Poseidonos Avenue, Yeroskipou, 8204, Paphos, Cyprus) | MEETING POINT Throughout the Congress Location: Foyer, ARION BAR | |
| Place | Aphrodite Stage Hall (Ground Floor) | ADONIS ROOM (1st floor) | Artemis A&B (Ground Floor) |
| Coordinators | | Ch. Kontogoulidou | G. Duda |
| 09:40 – 10:00 | | EP1 THE DIGITISATION OF ERASMUS+ PROCEDURES IN HIGHER MUSIC EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS <u>Sara Primiterra</u> , Association Européenne des Conservatoires, Académies de Musique et Musikhochschulen (AEC), Brussels, Belgium | EP5 INCLUSION IS EVERYONE’S BUSINESS: A WHOLE - SYSTEM APPROACH TO CO-CREATING AN INNOVATIVE INTERNSHIP SUPPORT MODEL FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES. <u>Olga Mitchell</u> , Munster Technological University (MTU), Rossa Avenue, Bishopstown, Cork, Ireland. |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | | EP2 FROM MOBILITY TO LOYALTY: A CRM PLAYBOOK FOR ERASMUS+ PARTICIPANT EXPERIENCE AND PARTNER ENGAGEMENT Prof. Dr. Duda Gheorghe <u>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hab. Daniel Adrian Gârdan</u> Spiru Haret University, Bucharest, Romania | EP16 EVERY SIGN COUNTS: BUILDING INCLUSIVE FUTURES IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION Nuno Escudeiro Paula Escudeiro <u>João Rebhan</u> Polytechnic Institute of Porto, School of Engineering, Porto, Portugal |

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| 10:20 – 10:40 | | EP3 INTERNATIONALIZATION AT HOME - UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR <u>Alenka Marušič</u> , University of Maribor, Slovenia | EP19 IMPROVING MOBILITY EQUITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION: DEVELOPMENT OF AN INCLUSIVE INDOOR NAVIGATION SYSTEM FOR WHEELCHAIR USERS Paula Escudeiro , GILT – Games Interaction and Learning Technologies, School of Engineering, Technical University of Porto, Portugal Sofia Resende , GILT – Games Interaction and Learning Technologies, School of Engineering, Technical University of Porto, Portugal Francisca Escudeiro , ICBAS – Instituto de Ciência Biomédicas Abel Salazar, University of Porto, Portugal |
| 10:40 – 11:00 | | EP4 STRATEGIC STAFF MOBILITY IN ERASMUS+ DELIVERING IMPACT, ACCOUNTABILITY AND INTERNATIONALISATION <u>Mr Paul Finnerty</u> , Atlas Language School, Dublin, Ireland, (member of Erasmus Courses Ireland) | EP8 AI INTEGRATION WITHIN ERASMUS + MOBILITIES MANAGEMENT - PARTICIPANTS' PERCEPTIONS REGARDING LIMITS AND ADVANTAGES Prof. Dr. Duda Gheorghe <u>Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hab. Daniel Adrian Gârdan</u> Spiru Haret University, Bucharest, Romania |
| 11:00 – 11:20 | | EP20 BEYOND ERASMUS: CREATING FLEXIBLE INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY PATHWAYS THROUGH EUROPEAN AND GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS <u>Iván Rosell Fernández</u> UDIT International mobility, Madrid, Spain | CP1 FROM COMPETENCE TO CURRENCY: RETHINKING EP18WORKFORCE READINESS IN THE AGE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND GREEN TRANSITION <u>Evgenia Pavlakou</u> , New York College, Greece |
| 11:20 – 11:40 | | | CP2 UNLOCKING CAREER CHANGE: SUPPORTING STUDENTS AND PROFESSIONALS THROUGH UNCERTAINTY, MOBILITY AND CAREER TRANSITIONS <u>Elvira Muborakshina</u> , Career Management School, Poland |

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| 11:40 - 12:00 | Coffee Break at the Arion Bar (use your coupon) |
| Tuesday, 23 June 2026 | |
| 12:00 – 13:15 | ERACON and CAREER-EU 2026 OPENING CEREMONY Place: Aphrodite Stage Hall (Ground Floor) |
| | <p><u>Master of Ceremony</u> Emma Zeniou, VP of EAEC</p> <p><u>Welcoming Address</u> Prof. Gregory Makrides President EAEC & EACG</p> <p><u>Greetings</u> Dr Stelios Mavromoustakos Director of the ERASMUS+ National Agency of Cyprus *** Simone Lepore President of the ERASMUS Student Network (ESN)</p> <p><u>Opening</u> Dr Athena Michaelidou Minister of Education, Youth and Sport of the Republic of Cyprus</p> <p><u>Plenary Presentation</u> CURRENT ACHIEVEMENTS OF ERASMUS+ AND OUTLOOK TO THE NEXT ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME GENERATION Johannes Gehringer European Commission – Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, Unit B1 - Higher education, Erasmus+ programme</p> <p><u>ERASMUS Awards</u></p> |
| 13:30 – 14:30 | Lunch Break, Place: Ionian Restaurant |

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| Coordinators | L. Makrides, A. Charalambous | D. Pinnacchio | A. Lokshyna |
| 14:40 – 15:00 | | | |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | U2U University to University Meetings | EP9 EU-GANOM: IMPROVING SKILLS AND RECOGNITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF IN ERASMUS+ AND HORIZON EUROPE PROJECTS <u>Claire Dutertre</u> , Nantes Université, Nantes, France | CRT1 FROM MOBILITY COORDINATOR TO CAREER ARCHITECT: WHY INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION IS THE NEW GOLD STANDART FOR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH <u>Anzhela Lokshyna</u> , Director of the Academy of career development “ALPHA+” Ukraine |
| 15:20 – 15:40 | U2U | EP10 SMILE – SUPPORTING MOBILITY AND INTERNATIONALIZATION FOR LEARNING AND ENGAGEMENT IN SOMALI HEIS <u>Dr. Christina Kontogoulidou</u> , Adjunct Lecturer, Head of the International Relations Office, University of Piraeus, Athens, Greece <u>Dr. Gregory Makrides</u> , Professor – Pedagogical University of Krakow, Poland CEO Prognosis, President-THALES Foundation, Cyprus | FROM MOBILITY COORDINATOR TO CAREER ARCHITECT: WHY INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION IS THE NEW GOLD STANDART FOR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH |
| 15:40 – 16:00 | U2U | EP11 GREEN TOUR GREEN SKILLS FOR SUSTAINABLE TOURISM’ <u>Dr. Christina Kontogoulidou</u> , Adjunct Lecturer, Head of the International Relations Office, University of Piraeus, Athens, Greece <u>Zoi Katsiri</u> , Univerity of Piraeus, Greece <u>Andreas Papp</u> , Unversity of Piraeus, Greece | FROM MOBILITY COORDINATOR TO CAREER ARCHITECT: WHY INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION IS THE NEW GOLD STANDART FOR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH |

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| 16:00 – 16:20 | U2U | | |
| 16:00 – 16:30 | Coffee Break at the Arion Bar (use your coupon) | | |
| 16:20 – 16:40 | ERASMUS GO-Exchange Education Fair | | |
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| 21:00 – 01:00 | ERASMUS DINNER DANCE 2026 Place: BALL Room (Level -1), Aphrodite Events Building | | |

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Wednesday, 24 June 2026

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| 9:30 – 18:00 | Registration Desk Open | | |
| Place | Aphrodite Stage Hall (Ground Floor) | ADONIS ROOM (1 st floor) | Artemis A&B (Ground Floor) |
| Coordinators | | D. Pinnacchio | E. Zeniou |
| 09:40 – 10:00 | | | |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | | TS1.1 EUROPEAN YOUTH CARD: A TOOL FOR EMPOWERMENT AND MOBILITY <u>Glykeria Kalamata</u> , Youth Officer, Youth Board of Cyprus | RT2 THE ERASMUS+ MOBILITY BAROMETER: WHAT WE LEARNT SO FAR THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE FUTURE <u>Emma Zeniou</u> , Vice-President, European Association of Erasmus Coordinators – EAEC, Cyprus |
| 10:20 – 10:40 | | TS1.1 EUROPEAN YOUTH CARD: A TOOL FOR EMPOWERMENT AND MOBILITY | RT2 THE ERASMUS+ MOBILITY BAROMETER: WHAT WE LEARNT SO FAR THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE FUTURE |
| 10:40 – 11:00 | | TS1.1 EUROPEAN YOUTH CARD: A TOOL FOR EMPOWERMENT AND MOBILITY | RT1 QUALITY STANDARDS FOR ERASMUS+: HOW TO IMPROVE THEM AND HOW BETTER GUIDE INSTITUTIONS AND PARTICIPANTS <u>Johannes Gehringer</u> , European Commission – Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, Unit B1 - Higher education, Erasmus+ programme |

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| 11:40 – 12:00 | Coffee Break at the Arion Bar (use your coupon) | | |
| 12:00 – 12:20 | | TS1.2 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND MOBILITY – YOUTH <u>Natalia Kouhartsiouk</u> , Programme Officer, Foundation for the Management of European Lifelong Learning Programmes | EP12 OCEAN – OPENING COLLABORATION FOR EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC NETWORKS IN THE MALDIVES AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA <u>Dr. Christina Kontogoulidou</u> , Adjunct Lecturer, Head of the International Relations Office, University of Piraeus, Athens, Greece <u>Zoi Katsiri</u> , University of Piraeus, Greece <u>Andreas Papp</u> , University of Piraeus, Greece |

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| Coordinators | | D. Pinnacchio | T. Economou |
| 12:20 – 12:40 | | TS1.2 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND MOBILITY – YOUTH | EP14 WRITING WINNING EU PROJECT PROPOSALS WITH AI: A PRACTICAL METHODOLOGY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, VET, AND ADULT EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS <u>Jörg Zell</u> , Interaktiv GmbH, Germany |
| 12:40 – 13:00 | | TS1.2 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND MOBILITY – YOUTH | EP15 D.E.F.: BUILDING MORE INCLUSIVE LABOUR MARKETS THROUGH COLLABORATION, DIGITAL TOOLS AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT Thomas Economou Gregory Makrides <u>Elpiniki Margariti</u> European Association of Erasmus Coordinators, EAEC, Cyprus |
| 13:00 – 13:20 | | TS1.2 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND MOBILITY – YOUTH | EP13 SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES IN THE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION <u>Dr. Christina Kontogoulidou</u> , Adjunct Lecturer, Head of the International Relations Office, University of Piraeus, Athens, Greece |
| 13:30 – 14:30 | Lunch Break, Place: Ionian Restaurant Additional coupons for sale available at the registration desk | | |

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| 14:40 – 15:00 | | TS1.3 EUROPEAN STUDENT CARD INITIATIVE (ESCI) <u>Ildiko Hegedus</u> , Programme manager at European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) – European Student Card Initiative <u>Nuria Moyes Pallezo</u> , Project Manager at NTT DATA | |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | | TS1.3 EUROPEAN STUDENT CARD INITIATIVE (ESCI) | |
| 15:20 – 15:40 | | TS1.3 EUROPEAN STUDENT CARD INITIATIVE (ESCI) | EWS3 CREATIVE IN GREEN WORKSHOP <u>Elpi Margariti</u> , European Association of Career Guidance – EACG, Cyprus |

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| 16:00 – 16:20 | | TS1.3 EUROPEAN STUDENT CARD INITIATIVE (ESCI) | EWS4 BEYOND MOBILITY- BUILDING INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY THROUGH THEMATIC STAFF WEEKS AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT <u>Fatima Weininger-Hollósi</u> , Head of International Mobility Program at Budapest Metropolitan University, Hungary |
| 16:20 – 16:40 | | TS1.3 EUROPEAN STUDENT CARD INITIATIVE (ESCI) | EWS4 BEYOND MOBILITY- BUILDING INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY THROUGH THEMATIC STAFF WEEKS AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT |
| 16:40 | Coffee Break at the Arion Bar (use your coupon) | | |
| Coordinator | | G. Duda | T. Economou ,E. Margariti |
| 16:40 – 17:00 | | EP6 BEYOND MOBILITY: THE ROLE OF COVEs IN STRENGTHENING SKILLS THROUGH INTERNATIONALISATION <u>Concetta Fonzo</u> , Istituto Nazionale per l'Analisi delle Politiche Pubbliche – INAPP, National Deputy <u>Laura Evangelista</u> , Istituto Nazionale per l'Analisi delle Politiche Pubbliche – INAPP, National Coordinator EQAVET National Reference Point, Corso d'Italia, 33 – Rome, Italy | EWS5 EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES ALLIANCES, EUONAIR EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ON AI IN CURRICULA, SMART UNIVERCITY AND (RETURN) MOBILITY - IMPACT, INSIGHTS, PROBLEMS AND THE ROAD AHEAD <u>Dr. Christina Kontogoulidou</u> , Adjunct Lecturer, Head of the International Relations Office, University of Piraeus, Athens, Greece |

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| 17:00 – 17:20 | | <p>EP7 FROM FORMAL REPRESENTATION TO PARTICIPATORY IMPROVEMENT: STUDENT VOICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION <u>Concetta Fonzo</u>, Istituto Nazionale per l'Analisi delle Politiche Pubbliche – INAPP, National Deputy Laura Evangelista, Istituto Nazionale per l'Analisi delle Politiche Pubbliche – INAPP, National Coordinator EQAVET National Reference Point, Corso d'Italia, 33 – Rome, Italy</p> | <p>EWS5 EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES ALLIANCES, EUONAIR EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ON AI IN CURRICULA, SMART UNIVERCITY AND (RETURN) MOBILITY - IMPACT, INSIGHTS, PROBLEMS AND THE ROAD AHEAD</p> |
| 17:20 – 17:40 | | <p>EP17 OLS COMMUNITIES, IMMERSIVE 360° CONTENT AND GAMIFICATION: THREE KEYS TO FACILITATE ERASMUS+ MOBILITY <u>Christophe Debarge</u>, CLL, Belgium</p> | <p>EWS6 SignVET: ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES FOR EDUCATION <u>Thomas Economou</u>, European Association of Career Guidance – EACG, Cyprus Elpiniki Margariti, European Association of Career Guidance – EACG, Cyprus</p> |
| 17:40 – 18.00 | | <p>EP21 MEMOIRS OF DINOSAUR <u>Dr. Sabine Habermalz</u>, Ulm University, Germany</p> | <p>EWS6 SignVET: ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES FOR EDUCATION</p> |
| 18:00 – 18:30 | | <p>Presenting Medical University of Plovdiv, BG Prof. Elena Firkova, PhD, DDS</p> | |

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Thursday, 25 June 2026

| Place | Aphrodite Stage Hall (Ground Floor) | ADONIS ROOM (1 st floor) | Artemis A&B (Ground Floor) |
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| Coordinators | | E. Zeniou | Gr. Makrides |
| 9:40 – 10:00 | | ERASMUS STAFF WEEK Participants meeting | EWS1 HOW TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL STEAME-TEACHER FACILITATORS ACADEMY AT YOUR UNIVERSITY <u>Gregory Makrides</u> , President, European Association of Erasmus Coordinators – EAEC and European Association of Career Guidance - EACG, Cyprus |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | | ERASMUS STAFF WEEK Participants meeting | EWS1 HOW TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL STEAME-TEACHER FACILITATORS ACADEMY AT YOUR UNIVERSITY |
| 10:20 – 10:40 | | | EWS2 NETWORKING WORKSHOP FOR ERASMUS+ FUNDING PROGRAMMES 2026-2027 <u>Gregory Makrides</u> , President, European Association of Erasmus Coordinators – EAEC and European Association of Career Guidance - EACG, Cyprus <u>Thomas Economou</u> , European Association of Career Guidance – EACG, Cyprus |
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| 11:20 – 11:40 | Coffee Break at the Arion Bar (use your coupon) | | |
| | Afternoon Social Activities or Departures | | |
| Friday, 26 June 2026 | | | |
| All day | Departures | | |