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Enhancing the learning experience: How can EHESO support student-centred higher education?

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Venue European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)
North Light building, 13th floor
Bd Simon Bolivar 34, Brussels, Belgium

08:45-09:15 **Registration and welcome coffee**

PART 1 — Welcome and keynotes

Hybrid format, online participation available

09:15-09:25 **Welcome by EACEA**
Frédéric FIMEYER | *Head of Department - Erasmus+, EU Solidarity Corps | European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)*

09:25-09:35 **Keynote by the European Commission**
Diana JABLONSKA | *Director - Erasmus+, Education and Skills | European Commission, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (DG EAC)*

09:35-09:50 **Keynote by CoSup**
Victoria RÄDLER | *President | CoSup - Conseil Supérieur des Élèves*

09:50-10:05 **Keynote by the EHESO consortium – Launch of the Study in Europe tool**
Donatas JODAUGA | *Senior Researcher | PPMI, part of the Verian Group* and Gero FEDERKEIL | *Head of International Projects | CHE Centre for Higher Education*

10:05-10:20 **Q&A with Keynote Speakers**

Mantas PUPINIS | *EHESO Deputy Project Manager | PPMI, part of the Verian Group*

10:20-10:40 *Coffee break*

PART 2 — Thematic sessions

Hybrid format, online participation available

10:40-12:00 **Session 1: Key skills and pedagogical innovation in higher education**
Chaired by Florence MONDIN | *Head of Unit – Communities and Platforms, Policy Analysis | European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)*
Omar ABOZEID | *Principal Investigator | PPMI, part of the Verian Group*
Manja KLEMENCIC | *Senior Researcher | University of Ljubljana*
Dana REIGNIER | *EUC Voices*
Karen TRINQUET | *Education Development and Senior Central Monitoring & Evaluation Officer for EUTOPIA | Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)*

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12:00-13:00 *Lunch break*

13:00-14:20 **Session 2: Joint programmes and degrees in European higher education**
Chair: *To be confirmed*
Karla RICAURTE | *Researcher | PPMI, part of the Verian Group*
Alexandru CARTIS | *Head of the Education Unit | CIVIS European University Alliance*
Shahin S EITY | *Vice President | Erasmus Mundus Association (EMA)*
Aleksandar ŠUŠNJAR | *Director | European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR)*

PART 3 Breakout sessions

Only available for in-person participants

14:20-14:30 **Introduction to the breakout sessions**
Mantas PUPINIS | *EHESO Deputy Project Manager*

14:30-15:20 **Parallel breakout sessions**

Skills in higher education: Connecting evidence and identifying data gaps
Co-moderated by Ilias LIVANOS | *Expert at the Department for VET and Skills | European Centre for the Development of Vocational Education and Training (CEDEFOP)*

Joint programmes and degrees
Co-moderated by Jonathan GREGGAIN-MOHR | *Senior EU Education Policy Advisor | ENLIGHT*

What matters after graduation? A student-centred discussion on graduate outcomes
Co-moderated by Matteo SGARZI | *Head of International Relations | Centre for Studies and Research on Qualifications (Céreq)*

15:20-15:40 *Coffee break*

PART 4 Wrapping up

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15:40-15:55 **Reporting from the breakout sessions**

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15:55-16:40	**Concluding panel discussion: How can EHESO best contribute to a more student-centred higher education?** Moderated by Philippe CATTOIR | *Head of Unit EAC.A.3 - Evidence-Based Policy and Evaluation | European Commission, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (DG EAC)* Febe PICCINI | *Liaison Officer for Higher Education Cooperation | Erasmus Student Network* Benedetto LEPORI | *EHESO Scientific Director | AIT Austrian Institute of Technology* Katrīna SPROĢE | *Policy and Research Officer | European University Foundation (EUF)*
16:40	End of the conference

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