

Webinaire : Horizon Europe and Health

We are pleased to invite you to the Horizon Europe webinar dedicated to Health. The webinar is organized on **March 16 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.** by the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region, Rising Sud, Université Côte d'Azur, Aix-Marseille Université, Avignon Université, INSERM, AP-HM, Eurobiomed, CNRS, CHU Nice and INRIA.



The webinar will begin with the presentation of the Health calls for the 2021-2022 program by Mrs. Virginie SIVAN, Coordinator of the Health NCP and will continue with the opportunities for health in the other pillars of the Horizon Europe program as well as with testimonials from project leaders. A time for discussion with the participants is also planned. SUBSCRIBE (before March 12).

[INSCRIVEZ-VOUS](#) (avant le 12 mars)

Official launch of the OPTIMA project (Erasmus+)



The 23 – 25 February, Université Côte d'Azur (UCA) participated [in the kick-off meeting of the new EU OPTIMA project](#) granted 938 664 EUR.

OPTIMA (*Open Practices, Transparency and Integrity for Modern Academia*) is a 3-year project (2021-2024) funded by the Erasmus+ programme, through the scheme of Capacity Building in the Field of Higher Education.

The main goal is implementing Open Science practices in Ukraine to improve the quality of National higher education services. As a full partner in this project, Université Côte d'Azur will be in charge of training future trainers in active and innovative pedagogical practices related to Open Science, Open Access, Open/FAIR data and data management. To this end, we will organize a one-week training in the spring of 2021 and a one-week training in the spring of 2022 at UCA. In addition, UCA will bring its expertise and advice through its active participation in the different missions and events of OPTIMA and for the development of a training program in Open Science for doctoral candidates.

The project is coordinated by LVIV Polytechnic national university (Ukraine). Apart from Ukraine, it involves European partners from Austria, Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Poland.

The MEP&M projet (Erasmus+) has kicked off

From 22nd to 23rd February 2021, a two-day meeting (Kick-off meeting) of partners on the Erasmus + project entitled: *Development of Regional Joint Master Program in Maritime Environmental Protection and Management* (MEP&M) was held. This project, led by The Faculty of Maritime Studies Kotor of the University of Montenegro will last three years. It is funded by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) under the key action KA2 - Cooperation for innovation and exchange of good practice - Capacity Building in the field of Higher education.



The MEP&M project will address the following specific objectives:

- 1. To develop regional joint interdisciplinary MSc program on English language for students and professionals to address the long-term needs in specific issues of coastal and marine environmental protection and management in South Adriatic and Ionian Seas.
- 2. To build up human and technical capacities of PC HEIs to support new MSc program in MEP&M.
- 3. To enhance networking among PC HEIs, governmental institutions, Blue economy sector enterprises and NGOs in order to act regionally in order to prevent and cope with consequences of global climate change and local/regional marine pollution.

E-students and tutors of the MOVIDIS project meet online!

A few weeks after the start of the virtual mobility semester, the students and tutors registered in the MOVIDIS program met online for the first time. On the program of this first meeting: presentation, first reaction to the start of their VM, exchange of feelings, and a fun quiz on general knowledge! Looking forward to the next international virtual meeting scheduled for May 2021, where fun activities will be organized... stay tuned!



As a reminder, the project aims to organize virtual mobility between students from 6 partner universities (Turin, Genoa, Madrid, Seville, Bielefeld and UCA). VMs are for one semester and students must take economics and a language course. They are followed by tutors to help and encourage them. More information on the [Movidis project website](#).

Kick-off meeting of the TRIGGER project (Erasmus+)



On the 2nd of February, Université Côte d'Azur participated in the 3rd day of the kick-off meeting of the new EU project, called TRIGGER, granted 999 573 EUR.

TRIGGER (Triggering innovative approaches and entrepreneurial skills for students through creating conditions for graduate's employability in Central Asia) is a project funded by the ERASMUS+ programme through the scheme of Capacity Building in the Field of Higher Education. It will last 3 years (January 2021 - January 2024).

As part of the TRIGGER project, Université Côte d'Azur will share its knowledge and best practices in the fields of entrepreneurship and improving the professional integration of graduates with our partners from Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan.

The project is coordinated by the Technical University of Kosice (Slovakia). Apart from Slovakia, it involves European partners from Greece, France and Austria and partners from Central Asia - Tajikistan, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Focus on researchers' mobility: The Fundit.fr portal

[Fundit.fr](#) is the first French portal which brings together on a single site all funding and mobility calls for French and foreign researchers in the human and social sciences. This blog publishes testimonials from researchers in residences, project leaders, actors in the funding and mobility of research and institutions that finance or host research.



It is aimed at confirmed researchers, postdocs and at the end of their thesis abroad who want to come to France and to confirmed researchers, postdocs and at the end of their thesis in France who want to go abroad or find funding.

Fundit.fr guarantees:

- it will publish only calls for tenders that are actually open at present;
- for mobility, full funding and stays of at least 6 months;
- updated and verified information;
- calls that do not include fees to be paid by applicants.



In brief

- ♦ Université Côte d'Azur is recruiting two doctoral students as part of the MSCA Cofund-BoostUrCareer doctoral program. An additional call for applications has been launched for the doctoral projects:
1. « *RV-model: Electromechanical Modelling of the Right Ventricle: the Forgotten Chamber* »
2. « *MitoIntegrOMICS: an integrated multi-OMICS approach to increase the diagnostic power for mitochondrial diseases* ».
Deadline: **22/03/2021**.
[More information](#)

- ♦ **Digital Softskills** (Erasmus+ Strategic partnerships) has been selected for funding by the agency and is coordinated by Université Côte d'Azur. The **D2S@UlyssEUs** project aims to modernise education, adapt pedagogies and upgrade educators' digital competencies by harnessing digital technologies for learning. It seeks also to equip all learners with digital transversal skills to live, work, learn and thrive in a world increasingly mediated by digital technologies, and it uses digital technology for the recognition and validation of these skills thanks to Open Badges. More soon!

- ♦ Launch of the Call for projects **Doyen Lépine 2021 of the City of Nice**, which funds actions aimed at promoting the intellectual, scientific and cultural reach of the City of Nice.
Deadline for sending your file to the City of Nice's grants office: **03/05/2021**

- ♦ Launch of the ERC Booster Call by the PACA Region. Submission deadlines:
- Starting Grant and Consolidator Grant projects: **05/03/2021**
- Advanced Grant projects: **02/07/2021**
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