

# GUNiNewsletter

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## GUNiHighlights

About our activities

***GUNi Seminar on "Regional competitiveness and universities. The role of universities in regional strategies for smart specialization in Europe"***



GUNi, together with the Catalan Association of Public Universities (ACUP) and the Smart Specialisation Platform (S3Platform) of the European Commission organizes a seminar on Research and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialization (RIS3) in European regions (RIS3), next June 3 in Barcelona.

***GUNi Agreement Signed Between UNESCO, UNU and the Catalan Association of Public Universities (ACUP)***



Last February, the new partnership renewed the agreement concerning the GUNi network for four years in the framework of UNESCO's UNITWIN Programme, as a result of the assumption of the GUNi Secretariat by ACUP as a new partner of GUNi.

***Enric Fossas, new GUNi President***

The rector of the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya - BarcelonaTech (UPC), Enric Fossas was appointed President of the Catalan Association of Public Universities (ACUP) and is, therefore, the new GUNi President for 2015.



***Agreement signed with the UNESCO Chair in Community-Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education***

GUNi and the UNESCO Chair in Community Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education



## GUNiTalks

Interviews

***Jaume Pagès, Universia CEO***

In this interview the Chief Executive Officer of Universia talks about the challenges of the Ibero-American universities, the Universia Declaration Rio 2014, the creation of an Ibero-American space of knowledge and the collaboration between Universia and GUNi.



## GUNiHedNews

News on Higher Education

***IAU launches a new professional development programme addressed to higher education leaders.***

Leading Globally Engaged Universities (LGEU) is a leadership development programme addressed to senior leaders of Higher Education Institutions from different regions.

***UVIECON 2015 discussed on global universities and their regional impact***

On March 13 the 650th University of Vienna International Anniversary Conference gathered higher education experts from around the world to discuss ways for being a global university and to secure positive impact to society.

***Africa needs a sharp increase in spending on Higher Education, say the experts gathered at the African Higher Education Summit***

Between 10 and 12 March, politicians, higher education leaders, civil society and scholars discussed the keys for transforming the African higher education sector. Among the 500 attendees, there were heads of State and other dignitaries such as Kofi Annan, the presidents of Rwanda, Kenya and Senegal, and former presidents of other African countries.

## GUNiHedAgenda

International Higher Education Agenda

***Nurturing University Community Engagement: Integration, Innovation and***

(UCCBR-SR), hosted by the University of Victoria, Canada, have agreed to establish a strategic partnership to foster future common activities and projects.

## GUNiMembersNews

Institutional Members' News

### ***The UNESCO Chair in Higher Education Management finishes the ISMU TEMPUS project with a final conference***

The UNESCO Chair in Higher Education Management has been leading for four years the ISMU TEMPUS project in partnership with European and Asian partners.

### ***The UNESCO Chair in CBR-SR launches a survey on "Building the Next Generation of Community-Based Researchers".***

The UNESCO Chair in Community-Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education invites the international higher education community to take part of an online survey on "Building the Next Generation of Community-Based Researchers".

### ***Jimma University organizes a Social Accountability Training Programme***

The Programme is led by the Social Accountability Programme in Ethiopia, which selected Jimma University for its commitment to Community-Based Education.

### ***Strathmore University summarizes in a video the outreach programmes developed***

The Community Service Center of Strathmore University has produced a video to sum up the programmes developed since 2012 with the aim of serving society through direct engagement by the students, staff and alumni.

### ***Impact***

When: May 06, 2015 to May 08, 2015

Where: Gokarna Forest Resort, Thali, Nepal

### ***6th Global Meeting of Associations (GMA VI). Social innovation: challenges and perspectives for Higher Education,***

When: May 07, 2015 to May 08, 2015

Where: Montreal, Québec, Canada

### ***ACU SARIMA Conference 2015: Research and Innovation for Global Challenges***

When: May 10, 2015 to May 14, 2015

Where: Johannesburg, South Africa

### ***World Education Forum 2015 (WEF)***

When: May 19, 2015 to May 22, 2015

Where: Incheon, Republic of Korea

### ***Conference of Rectors, Vice Chancellors and Presidents of African Universities (COREVIP): "The Internationalization of Higher Education in Africa"***

When: Jun 02, 2015 to Jun 05, 2015

Where: Kigali, Rwanda

### ***12th International Conference of Engaged Scholars and Practitioners.***

When: Jul 20, 2015 to Jul 22, 2015

Where: Sydney, Australia



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