



UNICA WORKING GROUP “UNICA-MED” (Cooperation with Southern Mediterranean Universities).

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The Arab Spring

- The recent “Arab Spring” brought the attention of all European Institutions, and in particular of the universities, to the Mediterranean area.
- The European Commission recognizes that the political & economic stability in the Mediterranean is vital not only to the region itself, but to Europe as a whole www.eeas.europa.eu/euromed/index_en.htm
A constructive dialogue between European and South Mediterranean Universities is needed and can be stimulated through the creation of a platform that fosters academic exchange & discussion at all institutional levels.

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UNICA-MED

Working group UNICA-MED chaired by Sapienza University of Rome open to UNICA Members with the general aim of promoting a Mediterranean University Plan of Action (MUPA) in cooperation with Southern Mediterranean Universities from the capital cities.

The objectives of the plan are to develop new policies and strategies for internationalisation and modernisation of university research, education and administration in the area, both to the benefit for EU Member and non-Member States, in full agreement with the UNICA network mission statement

(<http://www.unica-network.eu/content/unica-mission-statement>) and the UNICA ON THE GLOBE strategy

CURRENT UNICA MEMBERS' COOPERATION & ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMPREHENSIVE SOUTHERN MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITIES OF CAPITAL CITIES



ALGERIA

	Université d'Alger	University of Warsaw	being negotiated
		Sapienza	

EGYPT

Al-Azhar University (Jāmi‘at al-Azhar al-Sharīf), Cairo		
American University in Cairo (AUC)	Sapienza	
Ayn Shams University	Ankara University Freie Universitat zu Berlin Sapienza	Academic cooperation agreement signed in 2006. Inactive at the moment Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (FFEEBB, ELEMENT, WELCOME)
Cairo University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin Helsinki University University of Warsaw Sapienza UPMC	Signed Memorandum of Understanding; Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (FFEEBB, WELCOME); Project partners in the TEMPUS - project "Enterprise-University Partnership (EUPART)"; Project partners in the TEMPUS - project "DPPCR - Diploma Public Policy and Child Rights"; General Memorandum of Understanding Bilateral Agreement at university level bilateral agreement, Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
Helwan University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin Sapienza	Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (FFEEBB, WELCOME); Project partners in the TEMPUS - project "Enterprise-University Partnership (EUPART)"

ISRAEL

Tel-Aviv University	University of Copenhagen	Since 1990 on exchange of faculty and student, joint conferences, joint reserach (currently under review, put to hold)
Tel-Aviv University	University of Cyprus	Bilateral Agreement of Cooperation (2000 valid indefinitely)-includes exchange of faculty members, students and cooperation for joint research activities Joint workshops, distribution of magazines to UCY community
Tel Aviv University	ULB	Good partner
Tel-Aviv University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	General Memorandum of Understanding
Tel-Aviv University	University of Warsaw	not formalised

JORDAN

University of Jordan	Helsinki University	Research and infrastructure co-operation in Atmospheric Sciences
University of Jordan	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	1. 511118-TEMPUS-1-2010-1-GR-JPCR
University of Jordan	Roma Tre University	1. framework agreement
University of Jordan	University of Copenhagen	Since 2000 on exchange of faculty and students (inactive)
University of Jordan	University of Cyprus	Bilateral Agreement of Cooperation (2008-2013)- includes exchange of faculty members, students and cooperation for joint research activities - Jordan Training Course for International Relations (JOTCIR) project - Tempus Program
University of Jordan	University of Warsaw	bilateral agreement, Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
University of Jordan, Amman	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	Project partners in the TEMPUS - project "DPPCR - Diploma Public Policy and Child Rights"



Lebanon

American University of Beirut	University of Cyprus	Exchange of faculty members and cooperation in research
American University of Beirut	University of Warsaw	3. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
American University of Beirut	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	3. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (ELEMENT, WELCOME)
Beirut Arab University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	5. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (ELEMENT)
Lebanese American University	University of Warsaw	4. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
Lebanese American University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	4. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (WELCOME)
Lebanese University	UNIL	Accord général, convention de collaboration hors échanges d'étudiants
Lebanese University	University of Warsaw	1. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
Lebanese University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	1. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (ELEMENT, WELCOME)
Lebanese University	ULB	Very good partner, there is a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between our two universities.
Saint Joseph University	University of Cyprus	Bilateral agreement of cooperation (2008-2013)-includes exchange of faculty members, students and cooperation for joint research activities -Scholarships offers
Saint Joseph University	University of Warsaw	2. bilateral agreement
Saint Joseph University	ULB	One partnership in European Studies.
Saint Joseph University	Freie Universitat zu Berlin	2. Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (ELEMENT)

Libya

- **University of Tripoli (renamed *Al Fateh University in 1976*)**

Morocco

Université Mohammed V-Agdal	Roma Tre University	1. framework agreement
Université Mohammed V-Agdal	University of Warsaw	Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
Université Mohammed V-Agdal	ULB	Very good collaborations with both universities. We even have or had 2 research projects financed for 5 years in medicine + a Tempus project + numerous collaborations.
Université Mohammed V-Souissi	UPMC	yes, very good collaboration
Université Mohammed V-Souissi, Rabat	ULB	Very good collaborations with both universities. We even have or had 2 research projects financed for 5 years in medicine + a Tempus project + numerous collaborations.
Université Mohammed V-Souissi, Rabat	Roma Tre University	framework agreement

PALESTINIAN NATIONAL AUTHORITY

Birzeit University	University of Warsaw	Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project
Birzeit University	ULB	Very good partner, there is a MOU.

Syria

Damascus University	Ankara University	1. Academic cooperation agreement signed in 2010. Academic visits took place, cooperation for opening of Turkish Language and Literature Dept. At Damascus Unv.
Damascus University	Roma Tre University	framework agreement
Damascus University	University of Copenhagen	Closed due to civil conflict Exchange of staff and students, research cooperation and supervision.
Damascus University	University of Warsaw	Erasmus Mundus Action 2 project

Tunisia

Manouba	UPMC	Yes
Manouba, Tunis	ULB	The university is very important for us. We have numerous collaborations for many years and our Rector visited them in January.
Université de Tunis	ULB	The university is very important for us. We have numerous collaborations for many years and our Rector visited them in January.
Université de Tunis		Academic cooperation agreement signed in 1999. Inactive at the moment
Université de Tunis	University of Warsaw	not formalised
Université de Tunis	Roma Tre University	framework agreement
Université Tunis-el Manar	ULB	The university is very important for us We have numerous collaborations for many years and our Rector visited them in January.
Université Tunis-el Manar	Roma Tre University	framework agreement

Thank you for your attention

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