



*together in pursuit of excellence*



# UNICA

## Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe

**founded in 1990**

**1 of 5 leading institutional academic networks in Europe**

**43 comprehensive & publicly funded universities**

**32 capital cities**

**over 1.800,000 students & 150,000 staff**

**affiliated with EUA, EUA-CDE & Scholars At Risk**





## Continuity & creativity: UNICA Working Groups & meetings

**3<sup>rd</sup> UNICA PhD  
Master Class**

**UNICA Rectors  
Seminars**

**7<sup>th</sup> EU  
Research  
Officers  
Meeting**

**12<sup>th</sup> UNICA  
Bologna Lab**

**UNICA  
International  
Relations Officers  
meetings**

**6<sup>TH</sup> Scholarly  
Communication  
Seminar**

**7<sup>th</sup> UNICA Student  
Conference**

**UNDER CONSTRUCTION  
THE IDEAL  
EUROPEAN  
UNIVERSITY  
UNICA OSLO 2012**

**UNICA Group on PR  
& Communication**



**UNICA Green  
Academic Footprint**



# UNICA completed & ongoing EC projects (UNICA as coordinator)



**Joint LLL and Tempus EC Service Contract:**  
Information Project on Higher Education Reform III  
(ongoing)  
***Bologna Experts Virtual Community counting more than 1,000 experts***



**Erasmus Accompanying Measures:**  
**ExchangeAbility** - Fostering Mobility of Students with Disabilities (**completed**)



**Erasmus Mundus:** European Campus - Enhancing Overseas Student Mobility (**completed**)



grupo de universidades groupe d'universités group of universities

# Who are we?

*(more than 70 universities in 22 countries)*

The CGU is a large, prominent, open & inclusive network which works to facilitate and promote cooperation in the HE public & private sectors.

It achieves this by acting as a platform to foster and support projects among its members & by participating in activities as an entity in its own right.

# Benefits for our members: *5 keys*

- 1. Worldwide recognition:** CGU membership is synonymous with an active, cooperative & internationally oriented HE institution.
- 2. Opportunities for cooperation & promotion** by participating as partner in our projects and our own activities as well as in international events and meetings which the CGU attends itself.
- 3. Training and professional development:** teachers, researchers, students and non-academic staff find tailored projects and communication forums.
- 4. Internal discounts:** attendance to seminars, workshops, meetings, etc. at special rates as well as other offers from the private and public sectors exclusively for members.
- 5. Wide diverse contact database** that makes the establishment of new links and projects easier.

# What we do?

**Fora:** topics related to Higher Education and the European Higher Education Area.

**Activities:** International Prize Grupo Compostela-Xunta de Galicia, Publications, Intercontinental STELLA-Staff mobility programme.

**Projects:** Tempus-MEDA, LLP Multilateral projects, LLP GRUNDTVIG Training courses, ERASMUS network, ERASMUS MUNDUS Programme.

***Priority areas** for present and future projects*

*Mediterranean and Latin America*



# SANTANDER GROUP

## European Universities' Network



[www.sgroup.be](http://www.sgroup.be)



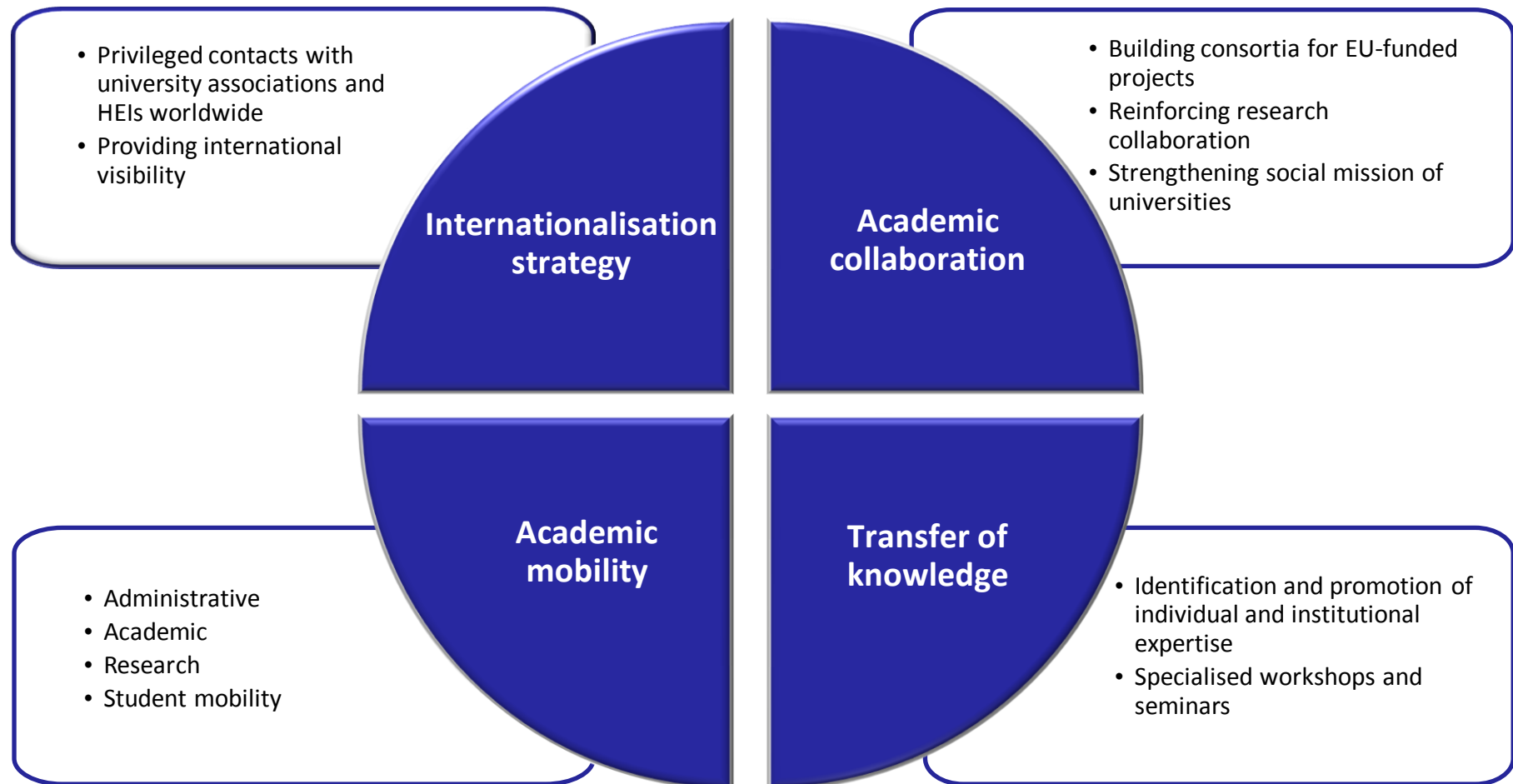
## SANTANDER GROUP

### *European Universities' Network*

- The Santander Group is a dynamic platform for modern, internationally orientated universities with the aim of **expanding collaboration opportunities in education and research** through the **transfer of knowledge** and **development of strategic alliances**
- 34 universities from 16 European countries
- International non-profit association under Spanish law established in 1988



## What we do





## Selected Projects and Activities

### Regional Collaboration & Mobility

- Berkeley Exchange Programme – USA
- Alfa Puentes – Latin America
- ICon – Intercontinental Academic Mobility Programme
- STEP Programme – Placements for students

### Transfer of Knowledge

- Summer schools for Doctoral Students
- Specialised workshops and seminars
- United Nations Academic Impact Project

### Strategic Alliances

- Collaboration with university associations and HEIs with Latin America (AUGM, FAUBAI, ASCUN, OUI)
- Erasmus Mundus iDEA Project

### Strengthening Research Capacities

- Networking for EU funded projects
- Assistance with internationalisation of Science and Technology
- Specialised workshops and seminars