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Prof. Luciano Saso,
President of the UNICA network

Subject: Formal expression of interest to join UNICA


Dear Prof. Saso,

I am using this opportunity to formally express our interest to join the Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe - UNICA.

Being a part of such important and attractive university association, University of Sarajevo can strengthen its international network and become more active within European Higher Education Area and further contribute to the implementation of the Bologna Process.

While looking forward to our future cooperation, we would kindly ask you to inform us about further procedure of application for UNICA's membership.

Best regards,


Prof. dr. Rifat Škrijelj
Rector of the University of Sarajevo



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MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATURE FORM

Full name of University:	UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO
Website:	www.unsa.ba
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Comprehensive University:	Yes
Number of Faculties:	23 Faculties, 3 Academies, 5 Research Institutes
Main Fields of Studies:	
	Social studies (Business and Economics, Politics, Sport, Criminology, Administration, Law)
	Humanities (Islamic studies, Philosophy, History, Catholic Theology, Education)
	Medical studies (Health studies, Pharmacy, Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine)
	Natural studies (Agriculture and Food Sciences, Forestry, Natural sciences - Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Geography)
	Technical (Architecture, Electrical Engineering, Traffic and Communication, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering)
	Arts (Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Music)
Research and teaching closely connected:	Yes



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 16 as <i>academic coordinator</i> and - 83 as <i>partner</i>. <p>With program Erasmus being only reserved to its member states, European Union opened special Erasmus channel Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (from 2007 until 2013) in order to enhance and strengthen cooperation with non-EU member states. In this special Erasmus Mundus Cooperation Window for Western Balkans University of Sarajevo was invited and participated in all 19 approved projects that have been implemented (Basileus IV, JoinEU-SEE IV, Sigma I-II, EM2STEM, Euroweb I-II, Eraweb I-II, Sunbeam and Greentech). This program enabled mutual cooperation and mobility with 54 European universities, through which almost 500 students and members of the academic and administrative staff were exchanged. We can proudly state that quality, cooperation, persistence and innovation of the International Relations Office is recognized in the Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (2010-2018) report, prepared by the Education, Audio-Visual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA). Erasmus Mundus served as a basis to signed inter-institutional agreements within new Erasmus+ program.</p> <p>Aside of Erasmus, University took participation in other programs and projects funded by international government institutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mevlana: In 2013, the Republic of Turkey launched its own mobility program where 15 Turkish universities signed Protocols on cooperation with the University of Sarajevo, thus enabling the exchange of over 60 students and teachers. - CEEPUS: a mutual mobility program with universities from Central and Eastern Europe has enabled the exchange of almost 500 students and teaching staff.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree: UNSA participated in one of the projects coordinated by University of Glasgow. - Capacity Building: UNSA participated in 26 projects in which 2 are coordinating - Strategic partnership: UNSA participated in 3 projects - Jean Monet: UNSA participated in 2 projects - Sport: UNSA participated in 1 project <p>Since 1998, UNSA participated at Framework research programmes whereas UNSA's member units started to cooperate with number of research institutions and companies from Europe and beyond. In the period of 1998-2002 (FP5) UNSA participated in 8 projects, from 2002 to 2006 (FP6) participated in 20, while in period 2007-2013 (FP7) participated in 10. With the start of Horizon2020, UNSA have participated in 9 projects, which makes us the leading institution in Bosnia and Herzegovina.</p> <p>UNSA actively participates at COST, the European network for cooperation in science and technology, engaged in over 90 projects.</p>
Member of the European University Association (EUA):	Yes
Member of the EUA Council for Doctoral Education (EUA-CDE):	No
Member of other(s) University network(s):	<i>(Please list them)</i>
	European University Association – EUA
	Danube Rectors' Conference – DRC
	Global University Network for Innovation – GUNI
	Euro-Mediterranean University – EMUNI
	Association of Universities of the Adriatic-Ionian area – Uniadriion



	<p>b) the second cycle of studies leading to the professional title of master or equivalent, acquired after completing the undergraduate study, lasts one or two study years, and is valued at 60 or 120 ECTS credits, so that in total with the first cycle of studies carries 300 ECTS points,</p> <p>c) integrated study leading to the professional title of master or equivalent or the professional title of doctor or equivalent, lasts five or six years of study, and is evaluated with 300 or 360 ECTS credits,</p> <p>d) the third cycle of studies leading to the scientific title of doctor or equivalent, lasts three study years a year, and is evaluated with 180 ECTS credits.</p> <p>The University of Sarajevo also organizes a two-year professional study, which is evaluated with 120 ECTS credits, on the basis of which the enrolment to the second cycle of studies is ensured.</p>
Teaching in English for undergraduates	Yes
for postgraduates	Yes
Number of programmes in English:	<p>Ever since participating in EU funded programs that enables international mobility of students, it has been noticeable increase of the study offer in English. While three institutions started their degree programs in English (School of Economics and Business, Faculty of Medicine and Centre for Interdisciplinary studies) some member units offered "Adapted methodology for incoming students" – meaning that face-to-face lessons were taught in "Bosnian/ Croatian/Serbian", while private tutorials, the subject's content, teaching methodology and assessment system is provided all in English or other offered foreign language and will be adapted to the incoming students individually or in small group tutorial. Considering that opening new programs in foreign language require major reforms, permissions and financing, the idea of adapted methodology was accepted by many teachers, so majority of our units today offer over 300 subjects</p>

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	<p>members visit UNSA every year), raising awareness of international relations among our students and staff members (UNSA is active in many mobility programs, such as Erasmus +, Erasmus Mundus, CEEPUS, etc.).</p> <p>Our vision is reflected through the strengthening of leadership in international co-operation. With over 400 international agreements (bilateral or through a program / project) with universities across the world and membership in several important international organizations and networks, we expect to intensify mobility that will enable our students, teachers and associates to express their quality on an international scale, but also to develop through such contacts.</p>
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