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60 YEARS OF THE TREATIES OF ROME

UNICA Rectors Seminar 2017

The Treaty of Rome after 60 years: Achievements and challenges of European higher education

organised as part of the 60th anniversary commemorations of the
signing of the Treaty of Rome

Rome, 23-25 March 2017

Host Universities:



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INTRODUCTION

Seminar's theme

2017 marks the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome. A true milestone for the modern-day European Union, The Treaty led to the founding of the European Economic Community (EEC). It was signed on 25 March 1957 by Belgium, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, France, Italy, and West Germany and came into force on 1 January 1958.

As the European Union commemorates the signing of one of its most important Treaties, it also faces enormous challenges which threaten its unity and continuity: the sharp turn of the American foreign policy, ongoing refugee crisis still far from being solved, strong rise of anti-EU, nationalist, and xenophobic sentiment within the EU itself and a loss of faith in the EU values, such as diversity, solidarity, and integration.

The Seminar, organised as part of the 60th anniversary commemorations of the signing of the Treaty, will aim to look at how the European community as a whole, and more specifically, the European higher education have evolved since the signing of the Treaty and discuss the role of Universities in overcoming the threats currently faced by the EU.

Target audience

Rectors/Presidents, Vice-Rectors/Vice-Presidents, Deans and senior managers involved in international and European affairs at UNICA member universities

Main venue of the Seminar

Rectorate building of Sapienza University of Rome, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, Rome

Programme

Seminar Chair: Luciano SASO, President of UNICA - Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe

Thursday 23 March 2017

Venue: Hall “Organi Collegiali”, Rectorate Building, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, Rome

14:30-15:00	Registration & welcome coffee <i>Room “Organi Collegiali”, Rectorate Building, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, Rome</i>
15:00-15:15	Introduction to the Seminar <i>Room “Organi Collegiali”, Rectorate Building, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, Rome</i>
15:20	Transfer by bus to the Quirinal Palace (Piazza del Quirinale, Rome)
16:00-16:15	Welcome by the Ceremonial Office of the President of the Italian Republic
17:00-19:00	Meeting with the President of the Italian Republic Mr Sergio MATTARELLA
19:00	Transfer by bus to the Residence of the Ambassador of Belgium H.E. Patrick VERCAUTEREN DRUBBEL (Via San Teodoro 2, Rome)
19:30-22:00	Walking dinner at the Residence of the Ambassador of Belgium <i>Venue: Via San Teodoro 2, Rome</i>
22:00	Bus shuttle to the hotels

Friday 24 March 2017

Venue: Hall “Organi Collegiali”, Rectorate Building, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, Rome

08:30-09:15	<i>Welcome coffee</i>
09:15-09:30	<p>Short performance by Coro di MuSa (Musica Sapienza)</p> <p><i>Programme Juvenes dum sumus, Director Giorgio Monari</i></p> <p>“Gaudeamus igitur” (International Students Hymn), arr. by Paolo Camiz and Silverio Cortesi, mixed choir and piano transcription</p> <p>Seikilos (Greece, 2nd-1st century b.C. or 1st century a. C.), “Hóson zêis, phaínou” [Solo voice: Rossana Camera]</p> <p>Claudio Monteverdi (Cremona, 1567 – Venice, 1643), “Vanne Orfeo felice appieno”, from Orfeo (1607), mixed choir and continuo</p> <p>"Ecce quam sit" (Students Song - Sweden, 17th century), mixed choir</p> <p>Ludwig van Beethoven (Bonn, 1770 – Wien, 1827), “An die Freude”, humming choir and piano jazz arr. by MuSa Blues</p>
09:30-09:45	<p>Welcome addresses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Luciano SASO, UNICA President▪ Eugenio GAUDIO, Rector, Sapienza University of Rome▪ Giuseppe NOVELLI, Rector, University of Rome “Tor Vergata” and Vice-President of the Italian Rectors’ Conference▪ Mario PANIZZA, Rector, Roma Tre University▪ Fabio PIGOZZI, Rector, University of Rome “Foro Italico”
09:45-11:00	<p>SESSION 1: THE TREATY OF ROME AFTER SIXTY YEARS</p> <p>Chair: Luciano SASO, UNICA President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Federica MOGHERINI, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy▪ Sandro GOZI, Undersecretary of State▪ Antonio MARTINO, Former Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs▪ Francesco GUI, Professor of Modern History, Sapienza University of Rome
11:00-11:30	Panel discussion
11:30-12:00	<i>Coffee break</i>

12:00-13:00

**SESSION 2: ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE EUROPEAN
UNIVERSITIES IN THE LAST SIXTY YEARS**

**Chair: Antonio RENDAS, Rector, Universidade NOVA de Lisboa,
Member of the UNICA Steering Committee**

- Lesley WILSON, Secretary General, European University Association (EUA)
- Vanessa DEBIAIS-SAINTON, Head of Sector: Erasmus+ Higher Education, DG Education and Culture, European Commission
- Giuseppe NOVELLI, Rector of the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" and Vice-President of the Italian Rectors' Conference

13:00-13:30

Panel discussion

13:30-14:30

Lunch

14:30-15:30

**SESSION 3: THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF UNIVERSITIES IN
STRENGTHENING THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Chair: Franck LEPRÉVOST, former Vice-Rector for Organisation
and International Relations Université du Luxembourg, Member
of the UNICA Steering Committee**

- Astrid Söderbergh WIDDING, Vice-Chancellor, Stockholm University
- Carlos ANDRADAS, Rector, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
- Jolanta CHOINSKA-MIKA, Vice-Rector for Student Affairs and Quality of Teaching, University of Warsaw

15:30-16:00

Panel discussion

16:30

Transfer by bus to the "Galleria Borghese"

17:00-19:00

Social programme: Visit of "Galleria Borghese"

19:00

Transfer by bus to the *Mirabelle Restaurant*

19:30-22:00

**Speech by Antonio TAJANI, President of the European
Parliament followed by dinner**

Saturday 25 March 2017

Venue: Hall “Organi Collegiali”, Rectorate Building, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, Rome

09:30-10:30

SESSION 4: CURRENT CHALLENGES OF EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES

Chair: Didier VIVIERS, former Rector, Université Libre de Bruxelles

- Raphael WOOLF, Vice-Dean International Faculty of Arts & Humanities, King’s College London
- Ivan PROSTAKOV, Vice-Rector, Higher School of Economics Moscow
- Paul DE KNOP, former Rector, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

10:30-11:00

Panel discussion

11:00-11:30

Coffee and tea, networking

11:30-12:30

UNICA EVENTS FOR RECTORS AND VICE-RECTORS in 2017 by Luciano SASO, UNICA President

12:30

Lunch and farewell