



UNICA GREEN

Round Table, 25 June 2020

SCHEDULE - 25 June 2020 (10 :00 – 12 :00 CEST)

10:00 – 10:15	Welcome and introduction to the meeting by Luciano Saso, UNICA President
10:15 – 10:30	Welcome and introduction by UNICA Green Chairs, Delphine Douçot (UNIL) and Ines Cabrita (ULB)
10:30 – 11:15 Approx. 5' each	CONTRIBUTIONS FOLLOWED BY Q&A AND OPEN DISCUSSION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• COVID-19 : Windows of opportunities, by Rebecca Lefevere, Vrije Universiteit Brussel• Impact of COVID-19 on sustainability strategies @ ULB, by Ines Cabrita, Université libre de Bruxelles• Perceptions and reality during the pandemics, by Ibrahim Yorgun, Middle East Technical University• Initiatives of the University of Genoa (Italy) during the COVID-19 crisis, by Angela Celeste Taramasso, University of Genoa• (Business) mobility behavior of academics and university staff working in sustainability and “Blooming Campus” biodiversity project, by Katrin Schweigel, Freie Universität Berlin
11:15 – 12:00	Concrete proposals for UNICA Green webinars before the UNICA General Assembly (18-20 Nov 2020) and next steps

UNICA GREEN AT A GLANCE

- Established in 2011
- Annual Workshop gathering Vice-Rectors responsible for the implementation of institutional sustainability strategy, Sustainability/Environmental coordinators, representatives of UNICA GREEN Partners, peer networks, governmental bodies, and city authorities.
- 9 workshops



UNICA GREEN MEMBERS

Chairs (elected every 2 years):

Ines Cabrita (ULB) and Delphine Doucot (UNIL)

Current core group member universities

- Université de Lausanne
- Université libre de Bruxelles
- Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- University of Zagreb
- University of Rome Tor Vergata
- Tallinn University
- TalTech
- University of Oslo
- Freie Universität Berlin
- NOVA University Lisbon
- University of Lisbon
- University of Edinburgh
- Università degli Studi di Genova (UNICA Green partner)
- University of Gothenburg (UNICA Green partner)



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Workshop 2019 in Lausanne

Results of a short survey within the UNICA Green Core Group to identify the main topics their Sustainability Offices are working on (listed in order of importance, i.e. by number of mentions in the survey)

1. Climate

Carbon footprint, climate action plan, climate neutrality by 2030, climate budget and reporting

2. Mobility

Mobility policy (international travel policy, business travel policy), pendular mobility, sustainable urban mobility for students

3. Sustainable Campus Development

Integrated water management, Sustainable development model for catering and food, biodiversity on campus, affordable student housing, parking & access control, waste reduction, disposable plastic reduction

4. Energy

Energy efficiency and saving, projects for electricity self-production, smart energy buildings, use of energy from renewable sources

5. Civic/public engagement &

networking (with enterprises, stakeholders, institutions, associations; international networking)

6. Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)

SDG tagging for teaching, teacher/research support for mapping the SDGs in research and education; Interdisciplinary - Mission oriented research and education; interdisciplinary courses on sustainability for all the students

OTHERS

- Reporting and statistics
- Communication on sustainable policy
- Enhanced sustainability demands in procurement;
- Awareness raising and communication

Main questions from universities who are starting to implement a sustainability strategy

- Where to start with the Green initiative?
- How to involve students?
- How to involve staff?
- Development of a sustainable university strategy
- **More?**

Volunteering for UNICA Green webinar(s)

University		Proposed topics & dates
University of Oslo	Maybe	
VUB	Maybe	Carbon footprint - lessons learned; travel policy; SDG materiality analysis
University of Rome Tor Vergata	Yes	<p>Good practices during and post Covid-19; SDGs</p> <p>Period: during the Festival of Sustainable Development, early October</p>
ULB	Yes	<p>Climate action plan</p> <p>Period: October</p>
Freie Universität Berlin	Maybe	<p>Climate Neutrality of Universities</p> <p>Period: in October</p>
Others?		