



Joint IAU/UNICA Webinar

Higher Education leadership practices and leaders for a sustainable future

Date: 08 June 2021, 15.00-16.30 CEST

Platform: Zoom (IAU) / Registration: UNICA

Format: Presentations (10 min per speaker, followed by moderated panel discussion: 4 panelists, moderator IAU)

About:

2021 is a critical year for higher education and Agenda 2030, including the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). With the world facing multiple crises, universities are the key to healthier, greener, fairer and more inclusive societies. To show a sustainable way forward, we need strong engagement from the leadership at universities and strong partnerships for the Goals. This webinar will debate how can we take charge, together, for a more sustainable future.

Drawing on the vast experience and expertise from Members of the IAU and the UNICA network, the webinar will demonstrate the crucial role of the academic leadership and the middle management level in mainstreaming sustainable development. The invited speakers will share how leadership best practices for SD and in particular the SDGs have led to successful impacts in their institutions. Besides applying a Whole institution approach, the role of student leaders and bottom-up processes for sustainability initiatives at universities also are taken on board.

4 panelists (10 minutes)

- **UNICA:**
 - Finland: University of Helsinki, **Dr. Tom Böhling**, Vice-Rector, Professor of Pathology
 - Cyprus: University of Cyprus, **Ioannis Giapintzakis**, Vice-Rector for International Relations, Finance and Administration
- **IAU:**
 - Canada: University of Regina/Luther College, **Dr. Roger Petry**, Professor of Philosophy at Luther College & Co-coordinator, RCE Saskatchewan
 - Colombia: Antonio Nariño University
Sandra Guarín, Director of International Relations

Moderator: Hilligje van't Land, Secretary General, IAU

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- The International Association of Universities (IAU)
- UNICA Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe