

31st UNICA General Assembly Rectors Seminar

Wednesday, 23 June 2021

14:00 – 16:50 PM (CEST)

THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN EUROPE: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Overall Chair: Luciano Saso, UNICA President

14:00 - 14:10	Welcome address by Luciano Saso , UNICA President
14:10 – 14:30	Keynote speech by Xavier Prats Monné Senior International Advisor on Public Policy, Education, and European affairs; former Director-General for Education and Culture and former Director-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
14:30 - 15:30	Panel 1. Current challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jón Atli Benediktsson, Rector, University of Iceland • Verena Blechinger-Talcott, Vice President for International Affairs, Freie Universität Berlin • Alain Fuchs, President, Université Paris Sciences & Lettres - PSL University • Rafael Garesse Alarcón, Rector, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid • Anastas Gerdjikov, Rector, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski
15:30 – 15:40	Break
15:40 – 16:40	Panel 2. Future perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Deeks, President, University College Dublin • Nouria Hernandez, Rector, University of Lausanne • Alojzy Z. Nowak, Rector, University of Warsaw • Ivanka Popović, Rector, University of Belgrade • Edita Sužiedėlienė, Vice-Rector and Pro-Rector for Research, University of Vilnius
16:40-16:50	Final remarks by Xavier Prats Monné and closing