

European ENGAGED University: towards the Future-ready Economy – ENGAGED

The European ENGAGED University (EEU) brings together the considerable strengths of six longstanding, complementary types of high education institutions in an ambitious effort to re-conceptualise the nature and function of an higher education institution, aiming towards establishing a new European University.

The ENGAGED initiative overall objective is to build the Alliance of truly engaged Universities to establish the future-oriented European ENGAGED University seeking to create a new future-oriented students' generation, innovative, flexible and diverse educational and challenge-based research systems which will contribute to the sustainable development of regions and Europe, making a high impact.

ENGAGED ALLIANCE members:

| Number | Name in English | Short name | Country |
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| 1 | Hanze University of Applied Sciences Coordinator | Hanze | The Netherlands |
| 2 | Polytechnic Institute of Bragança | IPB | Portugal |
| 3 | Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iaşi | UAIC | Romania |
| 4 | Waterford Institute of Technology | WIT | Ireland |
| 5 | Tampere University of Applied Sciences | TAMK | Finland |
| 6 | City University of Applied Sciences Bremen | HSB | Germany |

This University will be formed by creating an Alliance of universities that will enhance the regional impact of existing institutions--already distinguished by their culture and practice of engagement and their prioritisation of regional development through formal collaboration involving sharing knowledge, expertise and experience and develop students to be future-oriented, innovative, flexible and be aware of and contribute to addressing Society's Grand Challenges at local, regional, national and European level through exposure to an engaged, collaboratively-developed and collaboratively-delivered curriculum. ENGAGED will facilitate enhanced knowledge exchange between European HEIs and local and regional governments, as well as between the academy and private and public stakeholder groups.

The ENGAGED will develop a new organisational framework that considerably enhances cross-European mobility and knowledge exchange not only between academic partners but also between the academy and public and private stakeholders, linking not only across Europe's university system but most importantly making possible new forms of collaboration between linked regional innovation ecosystems.