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TEACHING STAFF ACADEMY

TEACHING EUROPE CONFERENCE

Bridging Formal Education and Civic Engagement: Innovative, Learner-centered teaching for an Inclusive and Just Europe











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ABOUT EUPeace

The European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies, EUPeace, evolves out of nine core member universities that have committed their strategic international outlook in teaching, research and administration in higher education to the the core ideas and values expressed in the jointly created EUPeace Mission Statement. The interactions achieved by creating the EUPeace Alliance are particularly adapted to scale up internationalisation efforts under the prefix of fostering a peaceful, just, and inclusive European landscape, at various levels. While each of our institutions has active programs with numerous international peers, their impact tends to be limited to those staff or students who are involved in physical mobility. Through EUPeace, we can radically scale up internationalisation at two levels: (a) enhance our overall strategic impact and visibility, (b) internationalise the whole community, whether physically mobile or not - thereby actively shaping the new generation of European citizens.

The EUPeace Alliance is comprised of institutions that are similar in size, location and mission within their respective national ecosystems. We are a synergetic mix of universities, characterized by our territorial embeddedness, concern for impact and deep attention to the quality of student life within and beyond our campuses. We have come together, based on long-standing cooperation experiences as well as newly formed ties within the EUPeace universities; reaching students, doctoral candidates, and academic and administrative staff all the way from Germany to Turkey, covering the entirety of the European continent and reaching into Asia. We embrace and foster the unique geographic distribution and the implications these geographic roots bring to EUPeace: our institutions are located in regions with a lot of internal diversity and sometimes a still recent history of conflict. The diversity of our student body and staff is itself an essential tool on which EUPeace will build to nourish its teaching and learning vision: it offers the perfect opportunity to expose our community to a wide range of cultures, opinions, situations and thus provides a concrete, operational training ground to give flesh to the ideals of peace, justice, and inclusive societies







ABOUT THE EVENT

For this second edition of the Teaching Europe Conference, and the first in-person edition, the objective is to gather educators, researchers, policymakers, and community leaders with a shared commitment: to re-imagine education not just as a system for transferring knowledge, but as a powerful force for inclusion, justice, and democratic participation across Europe.

Across Europe, education is at a critical juncture. As societal challenges intensify—ranging from social inequality and democratic backsliding to migration and climate change—educators are called upon to re-imagine the role of learning in building a more inclusive, just, and participatory Europe. This conference invites researchers, policymakers, and civil society actors to explore how **innovative**, **learner-centered pedagogies** can bridge the gap between **formal education and civic engagement**, preparing students not only for the workforce but for democratic life. We seek contributions that reflect on the transformative potential of education in fostering equity, inclusion, and active citizenship.







SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 9th December 2025

Salle de cinéma – 88 rue du pont saint martial – 87000 Limoges

TIME	TOPIC
08:15 - 08:45	Welcome and registration
08:45 - 09:00	Introduction
09:00 - 09:45	Keynote speaker - Simulation centre for health studies Laurent Fourcade, Pierre Etienne Coudert, Maxence Compagnat – UNILIM
09:45 – 10:30	 Panel 1 – Care, Health and Values in Education Andrea Züger – JLU Giessen: Ethnography for Medical Students: Towards a compassionate, inclusive and dignity-conserving care. Lourdes Navalpotro – Comillas: Transformative Pedagogies in Health Education: Service-Learning Projects for Social Impact, Inclusion, and Civic Engagement
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:15	 Panel 2 - Student Voice, Civic Engagement and Democratic Citizenship Leon Hebeisen – JLU Giessen and Student Council: Students as Changemakers: From the Peace Declaration to Active Participation – Strengthening Student Voice within the EUPeace Alliance Antonio Topalović, Sandra Bjelan, Šimo MARŠIĆ – UNSA: Beyond compliance: safeguarding as a pedagogical framework for inclusive and democratic citizenship Matea Džaja, Dijana Jurčić, Jelena Jurčić – SUM: From the Forum to the Stage: Cicero, Shakespeare and the Art of Civic Thinking Emilie Chevalier, Christophe Dagot – UNILIM: Réflexion sur les innovations pédagogiques à mobiliser pour former les jeunes et les étudiants aux enjeux européens
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 14:30	 Poster session Bushra Khoyratty – UdM / UNILIM*: LLM-Supported Planning for Digital-Citizenship Debates: Improving Argument Quality and Student Voice in a First-Year Undergraduate Pilot Marcela Marcial – Comillas*: 3D Printing of Personalized Assistive Devices for People with Disabilities Xenia Pérez López, Ana Martínez Pita-Romero – Comillas: Listening spaces for peace Tereza Poncová, Kodym Dalibor – UWB: Field Trips for Everyone: How to Include Students Who Can't Attend? Virtual Field Trips as a Tool for Inclusive Education Meryem Baran – CU: From Campus to Community: A Student's Journey toward Inclusive and Responsible Citizenship Chiara Carricato – UNICAL: Rekindling Humanity: Emotional Literacy and the Ethics of Encounter in Democratic Education





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SCHEDULE

	 Javier Pinilla Arbex – Comillas: Application of Experiential Learning through the "Camino de Santiago
	 Sofia Prokopchuk – JLU: Implementng eWork-Based Learning in European Higher Education: Pathways to Foster Thomas Fredon – UNILIM: Evaluer 100% à distance Julie Porte – UNILIM: Evaluer en classe renversée: apprendre en enseignant, Evaluation Orale entre pairs: un apprentissage à l'écoute Jérémie Gouteron - UNILIM: Unlock your English! L'escape game comme outil d'évaluation, Move and Talk! Evaluer l'anglais en Staps Laetitia Pille - UNILIM: Débats Masques: Evaluer l'argumentation Stéphanie Lhez – UNILIM: Co-design: évaluer la créativité et l'engagement Valentin Moulin – UNILIM: Evaluation individualisée: l'expérience entrepreneuriale
14:30 - 15:30	Panel 3- Transformative, Critical and Justice-Oriented Pedagogies
	 Elisabeth Schulte – UMR, Bruno Mazières – UNILIM, Kamila Isakova – UMR: The Transformative Power of Education: Activating Inclusion, Justice, and Democratic Participation Yahya Geylani – CU: A study on the integration of social justice into a language classroom Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Board (EDIB) (presenter: Giovanna Vingelli – UNICAL): Intersecting Expertise, Advocacy, and Power: Safe Spaces as a Site of Transformative Change in Higher Education
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:15	 Panel 4 – Universities, Territories and Partnerships Ismaël Millogo – UNILIM: From the Earth to the classroom: neighbourhood gardens as learning cultures. Martine Hlady-Rispal – UNILIM: Bridging the university with its regional ecosystem – Innovation workshops at the IAE – University of Limoges Petr Jurek, Tereza Šlehoferová – UWB: Cooperation between universities and regional stakeholders: the case of the University of West Bohemia in Pilsen Bihter Onat, Canan Türeli – CU: The Impact of School-University and University-Community Collaboration in Environmental Education on Teacher Training
17:15 – 17:30	Closing remarks
18:45	Gala dinner
	Bus pick up at the Ibis Styles Hotel – Avenue de la Révolution

^{*}online presentation

Side event

Possible visits of the simulation center for health studies – registration on site. More information will be provided during the event.







SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 10th December 2025

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TIME	TOPIC
08:15 - 08:45	Welcome and registration
08:45 - 09:00	Introduction
09:00 - 10:30	 Round table inclusive mobilities Leslie Amiot, Lecturer in psychology, UNILIM Céline Givelet, Head of the Service for the Reception and Support of Students with Disabilities – UNILIM Frauke Stebner, Erasmus + Inclusion Officer – German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Florine Merot, PhD student, UNILIM Christelle Coët-Amette - Head of European & International Relations Inclusion Officer – Agence Erasmus + France Marijan Tustonja – Head of Office for students with disabilities – University of Mostar
10:30 - 11:15	Panel 5 – Digital citizenship, literacies and data Ethics - Giovanbattista Trebisacce – UNICAL: Educating for Democracy through Data Ethics: A Pedagogical Reading of the GDPR as a Framework for Civic Formation - Emilie Chevalier – UNILIM: Reflection on Teaching Innovations to Engage Young People and Students with European Issues
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 12:15	 Panel 6 – Inclusion, Inequalities and Vulnerable Learners Muzaffer Sencer Özsezer, Kamuran Tarim – CU: An Examination of the Value of Justice in Turkey's Century Education Model: Current Education and Teaching Programme and Teachers' Opinions Mohammad Haroon Asadi – UMR: Men's Support for Women's Education in Afghanistan: The Roles of Income and Insecurity
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	 Poster session Jasmina Gradaščević-Pleh– UNSA*: Advancing Faculty Development in Higher Education: Applying Andragogical and Pedagogical Principles to Enhance Professional Growth and Institutional Effectiveness Florian Reibeling - JLU*: "Make Europe unite again!" by cultivating learning at lowest possible threshold with LIFELONG LEARNING, a Non-Governmental Organization Matteo Piantoni – University of Bergamo*: Enhancing critical thinking thanks metaphor critical Analysis







SCHEDULE

	 Ana Šuman – SUM*: Branding Organizations of People with Disabilities in the Digital Age- The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Shaping Public Discourse and Information Inclusion Lea Jainta – JLU: Courage through Art- A Project about Self-Confidence, Expression, and Togetherness Yuxin Zhang – University of Trento*: Unpacking Civic Education: Cross-National Patterns in School-Level Practices Alba Palomar – Comillas*: EU Peace Spring School Oanh Truong – JLU*: Where all accents are cheering: welcoming culture for inclusiveness in higher education practice Maelle Amand – UNILIM: Prononciation et IA: Evaluer autrement en anglais Valentin Moulin – UNILIM: Evaluation individualisée: l'expérience entrepreneuriale
14:30 - 15:45	Panel 7 – Interactive and Experiential Approaches to Teaching Europe
	 Ninja Bumann – JLU Giessen: Merchants of Istanbul: Teaching the Early Modern Ottoman Balkans through Interactive Digital Storytelling María Pilar Doñate Sanz – Université d'Angers: Peace, Security, and Defence": A New Academic Discipline in Education Jesús Muñoz Muñoz – Comillas: Fostering Intercultural Competence and Ethical Awareness through COIL: A Jesuit Collaborative Model for Inclusive and Justice-Oriented Education Alissa Theiß – JLU Giessen: Mobile Museums for Teaching Provenance Research. A Powerful Tool for Promoting Democracy Education
15:45 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:30	Panel 8 – Experiential and Service Learning for Social Impact
	 Séverine Nadaud – UNILIM: Project-based learning in Fab Lab for students – economics, law and management – University of Limoges Sergio Gadea – Comillas: Teaching Human Vulnerability: A Philosophical-Anthropological Approach to Experiential Learning with Marginalized Communities Yevgen Sakalo – 3iL Ingénieurs: Empowering Learner Agency through Interactive, Experience-Based Pedagogy in Engineering Education Jasmin Ramovic - University of Manchester: How Can Experiential Learning Advance Socially Responsive Education? Rethinking Global and Local Contexts Through Immersive Learning Approaches
17:30 – 19:00	Christmas lights of Limoges and Christmas market
19:00	Optional dinner (own costs) – Bistrot Gourmand – Place Winston Churchill – please register

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PRACTICALITIES

VENUE

Salle de cinéma – Campus des Jacobins - Carrefour des étudiants 88 rue du Pont Saint Martial 87000 LIMOGES

The venue is in the city center, accessible on foot or by city bus.

A room will be available for side meetings or quiet time

GALA DINNER

A bus pick up will be organized on December 9th, at 19h00 from Ibis Styles Hotel – Avenue de la Révolution – 87000 Limoges Casual dinner.

GETTING TO LIMOGES

Limoges Airport

From Limoges Airport, book a Taxi to reach the city center: Taxi (+/- 10€): +33 5 55 38 38 38, or online booking: https://taxis87.com/reservation/

MEALS

We will provide coffee breaks and lunch at the venue. Vegetarian options will be provided. We organise a gala dinner on Tuesday evening, please register through the registration link. We organise an optional dinner (own costs) on Wednesday evening, please let us know if you wish to attend.

REGISTRATION

- Registration: https://collabridge.eupeace.eu/apps/forms/s/Q68JLMEf5yEWDHSptYt6w25Y
- Participants will receive their badge and conference materials at the desk.
- Please arrive on time so that we can start smoothly.

WIFI & TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Eduoram is available in the venue, but Wi-Fi passwords will be provided if necessary.







PRACTICALITIES

POSTER SESSION

You can access the poster presented online through this link: https://padlet.com/vincenten-rico2/teaching-europe-conference-poster-sessions-m07g6or4utlw31u8

COMMUNICATION

You are welcome to join the informational WhatsApp group via the following link: https://chat.whatsapp.com/GTpk5vcYMgs0bpUj8H4KZi.

Please scan the QR code below:



PRACTICAL TIPS

In December, Limoges can be cold and rainy.

It's Christmas time, enjoy our food specialities at the Christmas market (place de la République)!

CONTACT US

For any question, please contact us: eupeacetsa@unilim.fr







EUPeace is the European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies.

Our mission is to provide tomorrow's citizens with the skills, knowledge, and experience to cultivate Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies. We explicitly address all sciences and fields, from the humanities and social sciences to the natural and life sciences as well as engineering, and are inspired by the rebuilt bridge of Mostar

— the symbol in our logo — as a testament to how dialogue can overcome conflict.

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