

Asia-Europe research cooperation: linking research and higher education

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THE EUROPE OF KNOWLEDGE

European Higher Education Area (EHEA):

(Bologna Process) – compatible systems of higher education at national levels (95 % of universities have the three cycles)...DONE (!?).

Focus : Doctoral studies !!!!!

European Research Area (ERA):

...similar actions....??

***Realisation of the key role of universities is
linking EHEA and ERA !!!***

ERA WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED ?

- 3% of GDP objective for R&D (Barcelona 2002)
declaration !!!
- Introduction of the open method of coordination (work and mobility of researchers, knowledge transfer, tax incentives for R&D)
- Increased resources and new instruments of FP7 (>50 billion Euro)
- New institutions (agencies): ERC, EIT: different missions, „basic”, „applied” research ?
- A role of universities in shaping the ERA ???

STRONG UNIVERSITIES FOR STRONG EUROPE (EUA)

Main responsibilities for providing the supply of trained researchers,

- Fundamental and collaborative research as their core mission,
- Unique environment in which interdisciplinary skills are being developed to tackle the complex challenges,
- European tradition in social and human sciences offers new interdisciplinary fields as competitive advantage in the global economy

RELAUNCHING ERA ***Green Paper, 2007***

- **From six main dimensions of the ERA:**
- *adequate flow of competent researchers,*
- *world-class research infrastructures,*
- *excellent research institutions,*
- *effective knowledge-sharing,*
- *coordinated research programmes and priorities,*
- *wide opening of ERA to the world.*

RELAUNCHING ERA

- ***To five initiatives (2008):***
- **European Researcher's passport** (*improve mobility and career prospects*) ,
- **Joint Programming** (*more strategic and structured approach to joint research programme*),
- **Pan-European Research Infrastructures** (*facilitate formation of consortia...*),
- **Policy Framework for International Science and Technology cooperation** (*improve coordination...*),
- **Code of Practice on IP management by public research organizations.**

Message to Political Leaders

in the time of recession.

EUA Prague Declaration, 2009

- Higher education and research needs a European stimulus package – *to continue dynamic development of EHEA and ERA,*
- Investing in the present generation of young researchers – *not to sacrifice a generation of young researchers,*
- Upgrading universities' facilities and campus infrastructure - *..also to stimulate economy,*
- Tapping unused potential: implementation and financing of lifelong learning across Europe.

„Investing more in education and research will help Europe emerge from recession faster and in better shape..”

J.M. Barroso, EUA Convention, Prague 2009.

Thank you for your attention

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