

Workshop on Doctoral Education 9th November, Tarragona (Spain)

Where: Campus Catalunya, Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Tarragona

8:30 - 9:00: Accreditation

9:00 - 9:20: Welcome

Francesc Xavier Grau, Rector, Rovira i Virgili University and President of the Campus of International Excellence Southern Catalonia.

Marius Rubiralta, Secretary General for Universities, Ministry of Education, Government of Spain. *To be confirmed.*

Catalan Government Representative. *To be confirmed.*

9:20 – 10:30: “Rethinking doctoral education and research training”

Chair: Jordi Cartanyà, Executive Director, Campus of International Excellence Southern Catalonia.

“Modernisation of the doctoral system in the Netherlands: successes and challenges”

Gab van Winkel, Researcher and advisor on PhD education, Wageningen University, The Netherlands.

“The US perspective: Developing doctoral education in US, the role of graduate schools”

Daniel Denecke, Program Director, Best Practices and Publications, Council of Graduate Schools (US).

10:30 – 11:00: Coffee break

11:00- 12:30: “Graduate Schools as drivers of doctoral education reform”

Chair: Francesc Díaz, Deputy Director of the Campus of International Excellence Southern Catalonia and Graduate School Reform Project Leader.

"Berlin International Graduate School of Natural Sciences and Engineering (BIG-NSE): The PhD program of the Cluster of Excellence Unifying Concepts in Catalysis (UNICAT)"

Reinhard Schomäcker, Director BIG-NSE (Berlin International Graduate School of Natural Sciences and Engineering, PhD School of UNICAT (Unifying Concepts in Catalysis Cluster of Excellence)).

"Establishing Doctoral Schools at the Goethe University Frankfurt amb Main-Objectives, Design, Experiences, Future Developments"

Helmut Brentel, Goethe Graduate Academy (GRADE) at Frankfurt an Main University. Former director of the Social Sciences and Humanities Graduate School, Frankfurt an Main University.

"The Doctoral College of the University of Toulouse: Organization and activities"

Michel Caffarel, Director of the École Doctorale Sciences de la Matière, Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse.

12:30 – 14:00: “Policies supporting doctoral education”

Chair: Josep Manel Ricart, Vice-Rector for Academic and Scientific Policy, Rovira i Virgili University.

“New regulation for doctoral studies in Spain”

Luis Delgado, Deputy Director for University Modernisation and Internationalization, Ministry of Education, Government of Spain.

“EU Marie-Curie Actions: approach for excellent doctoral training”

Vanessa Debiais-Sainton, Policy Coordinator of Marie Curie Actions, Directorate-General Education and Culture, European Commission.

“Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorates- An Integrated Model of Interuniversity Cooperation at PhD Level”

José Gutiérrez Fernández, Deputy Head of Unit, ERASMUS Mundus & External Cooperation, Education Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency.

Closing remarks

14:00 – 15:30 Lunch

CEICS International Doctoral Partnerships (by invitation). Representatives from more than 50 institutions will join CEICS PhD Program partners to analyse current and future cooperation.

15:30 – 16:15: “CEICS research training approach: the relevance of cooperation”

Chair: Francesc Xavier Grau, Rector, Rovira i Virgili University and President of the Campus of International Excellence Southern Catalonia.

“Experiences in joint masters and joint PhDs”

International Master in Quaternary and Prehistory.

International Joint Doctorate in Oenology.

16:15-16:30: PhD programme groups

16:30 – 18:30 PhD cooperation: strengthening alliances

Small groups working sessions for each PhD Programme chaired by Rovira i Virgili University representative.

Key points for further cooperation will be discussed and working plan established.

Social programme (By invitation)

18:30-20:00 Roman Tarraco walk

20:00-21:30 International Forum CEICS Welcome.

Rectorate building, Rovira i Virgili University.