



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

“University and Society – Creating Value Through Engagement“

July 2-3, 2026, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Split
 Poljička cesta 35, Split, Croatia
 3rd SEA-EU Society Hub Conference

July 2 – Conference day - Day#1

09:00-09:15	Opening Ceremony <i>Marko Marulić Large Hall, 2nd Floor</i>
09:15-10:00	Keynote Lecture: From Montessori’s Cosmic Task to Arachnean Ethics: Rethinking Engagement as Interdependence Jarosław Jendza, University of Gdańsk <i>Marko Marulić Large Hall, 2nd Floor</i>

10:00–11:15 | SESSION 1: EDUCATION, INCLUSION AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

TIME	Room A	Room B
	Chair: Justyna Siemionow, University of Gdańsk	Chair: Ivana Jadrić, University of Split
10:00–10:15	Foreign Language Teaching as Social Engagement: Students’ Perceptions of Authentic Listening Tasks in German Language Methodology Mirela Müller <i>Department of German Language and Literature, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Split</i>	Work-Based Learning as a Pathway to Employability and Professional Competence Antonela Marić Mila Bulić <i>Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Split</i>
10:15–10:30	The Landscape of Service Learning in Higher Education: A Systematic Review of Methodological Trends (2010–2025) Paulina Białka Jarosław Jendza Justyna Siemionow <i>University of Gdańsk</i>	Mental Health Prevention and Protection in Young People: Psychosocial Support Through Community-Based Interventions Luka Bazina <i>Association Phoenix Split</i>
10:30–10:45	Healthy Lifestyle as Social Value: What Student Profiling Reveals About Psychosocial and Prosocial Functioning Jurand Sobiecki	From Campus Stress to Shared Relief: The Stress Relief Initiative as a Model of Student-Led Social Engagement Martyna Malcher Jurand Sobiecki



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10:45–11:15	Discussion / Q&A Networking / Reflection	Discussion / Q&A Networking / Reflection

11:15–11:45 | Coffee Break ☕

11:45–13:15 | SESSION 2: HIGHER EDUCATION INNOVATION, SERVICE LEARNING AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

TIME	Room A	Room B
	Chair: Jarosław Jendza, University of Gdańsk	Chair: Marko Galić, University of Split
11:45–12:00	The Landscape of Service-Learning in Higher Education: A Qualitative Thematic Analysis of Trends, Tensions, and Barriers in Research Justyna Siemionow Jarosław Jendza Paulina Białka <i>University of Gdańsk</i>	Strategic Partnership of Academia and the City: Branding the University of Split and the “Split – Student City” Initiative Željka Sijerak Radas <i>University of Split</i>
12:00–12:15	From Classroom to Society: A Transformative Peer Teaching Model for Responsible Management Education Olga Høegh-Guldberg Kaspar B. Rasmussen <i>Nord University</i>	Sustainable Project Management in Central and Eastern European Universities: Toward a Comprehensive Implementation Model Kamil Flig <i>Department of Economics and Finance of Local Government, Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer, SGH Warsaw School of Economics</i> Marta Ekner <i>Doctoral School, Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer, SGH Warsaw School of Economics</i>
12:15–12:30	LOESS Project: Demonstrator Soil Garden and Innovative Educational Tools for Enhancing Soil Literacy Joanna Morawska Adam Mickiewicz Karolina Lewińska <i>University of Poznań</i>	Digital Detox in the Age of Cognitive Overload: Mental Training and the Need for Recovery Julia Kwoczek Jurand Sobiecki <i>University of Gdańsk</i>
12:30–13:00	Discussion / Q&A Networking / Reflection	Discussion / Q&A Networking / Reflection



13:00–14:00 | Lunch Break

14:00–15:15 | SESSION 3: SUSTAINABILITY, GOVERNANCE AND SOCIAL IMPACT

TIME	Room A	Room B
	Chair: Sandra Valadas, CEAD, University of Algarve	Chair: Ana Zarzuela Castro – University of Cadiz
14:00–14:15	<p>Bridging Sustainability and Projectification: A Framework for Higher Education Institutions in Central and Eastern Europe Kamil Flig <i>Department of Economics and Finance of Local Government, Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer, SGH Warsaw School of Economics</i> Marta Ekner <i>Doctoral School, Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer, SGH Warsaw School of Economics</i></p>	<p>Public and Private Funding in European Higher Education: Implications for Social Impact Maciej Oleś <i>SGH Warsaw School of Economics</i></p>
14:15–14:30	<p>Bridging Research, Education, and Practice: A Replicable Lab Model for University Engagement with Society Project Pamela Nwakanma <i>University of California, Irvine</i></p>	<p>Reducing Information Asymmetry through Digital Platforms: A Qualitative Study of Stakeholder Engagement in Coastal Tourism Daniela Garbin Praničević <i>University of Split, Faculty of Economics Business and Tourism</i> Eli Marušić <i>University of Split, Faculty of Maritime Studies</i> Katija Kovačić <i>University of Split, Faculty of Kinesiology</i></p>
14:30–14:45	<p>Exploring Inner Development Goals in Higher Education: A Small Step Toward More Meaningful University–Society Engagement Morena Galešić Divić Eli Marušić <i>University of Split</i></p>	<p>Student Decision-Making Capability in the Blue Economy: Sustainability Challenges in Port-City Contexts Eli Marušić Daniela Garbin Praničević Slađana Pavlinović Mršić Gorana Jelić Mrčelić Katija Kovačić Maja Račić <i>University of Split</i></p>
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July 3– workshop day – Day#2

* Please register for the workshops [HERE](#) so that the moderators know how many participants to expect.

** The location of all workshops is the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (Poljička cesta 35, Split), except for the last one.

8:30–11:30 | PARALLEL WORKSHOPS – ROUND 1

TIME	Room A	Room B
08:30–10:00	Participatory Budgeting in Higher Education Institutions António Fragoso Sandra T. Valadas <i>Adult Education and Community Intervention Research Centre (CEAD), University of Algarve</i> Marisol Correia <i>Centre for Tourism Research, Development and Innovation-Algarve (CiTUR), University of Algarve</i> Eduardo Esteves <i>Algarve Centre of Marine Sciences (CCMAR-Algarve), University of Algarve</i>	Towards Inclusive Universities: International Perspectives on Social Innovation Ana Zarzuela Castro <i>University of Cádiz</i> Rocío Manzano Fernández <i>University of Cádiz</i>
10:00–11:30	Rural Service-Learning Lab Workshop Nives Mikelic Preradovic <i>Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb</i>	Designing Humanitarian Events as Curriculum-Embedded Experiential Learning Projects Senka Borovac Zekan <i>University Department of Professional Studies, University of Split</i>

11:30–12:00 | Coffee Break ☕



12:00–13:30 | PARALLEL WORKSHOPS – ROUND 2

TIME	Room A	Room B
12:00–13:30	<p>The IDGs and Culture — Why the SDGs Are Stalling and How Art Can Save Them</p> <p>Vincent Caruana <i>CEER - University of Malta</i></p>	<p>From Idea to Collaboration: Connecting Academia and Civil Society in Environmental Protection</p> <p>Margita Radman, <i>Jelena Grozdanić</i> <i>Association for Nature, Environment and Sustainable Development Sunce</i></p>

13:30–14:30 | Lunch Break

14:30–17:30 | PARALLEL WORKSHOPS – ROUND 3

TIME	Room A	Room B
14:30–16:00	<p>From Briefs to Meaningful Learning Projects: Working with Students and Socio-economic Partners</p> <p>Joséphine Corre <i>Université de Bretagne Occidentale (UBO),</i> Solenn Hertgen <i>Bretagne INP / UBO / UBS</i></p>	<p>Building Bridges: Addressing the Challenges of First-Generation Students Through Community in Germany and Beyond</p> <p>Katharina Coordes <i>Kiel University Advisor to the Executive Board</i> Gloria Glogau <i>ArbeiterKind.de regional volunteer manager</i></p>
16:00–17:30	<p>Ecocultural Identity: Creating Awareness of Who We Are and What We Want to Be in a Future Scenario</p> <p>Nayr Ibrahim Marit Solstad <i>Nord University</i></p>	<p>The University Gallery as a Space of Encounter: Experiencing Participatory Engagement in Practice</p> <p>Helena Trze Jakelić. <i>University of Split, University Gallery</i> Vladimir Rismondo <i>Academy of Arts and Culture in Osijek</i> (Please note: this workshop will take place at the University Gallery (Ul. Ruđera Boškovića 31, Split), not at the Faculty venue).</p>

17:30 | Official Closing of the Conference

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