



## UNIVERSITIES, STUDENTS AND SOCIETIES Connecting Academic Freedom and Creative Cities

### *Programme*

**Thursday 19 September 2013**

*Aula Absidale Santa Lucia, Via de' Chiari 25a*

*15.00 – 18.00*

#### ***Welcome remarks***

Ivano Dionigi, Rector, Alma Mater Studiorum - Università di Bologna, Italy  
Marco Mancini, Chief of University and Research Department – Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research and Past President of the Conference of Italian University Rectors

#### ***Opening Remarks***

Üstün Ergüder, President, Magna Charta Observatory Council  
Greeting of the New Elected President  
Elected President, Magna Charta Observatory Council

#### ***Highlights of the Observatory Activities***

Allan Päll, Secretary General, Magna Charta Observatory

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Session**

##### ***Keynote Speeches***

Maria-Helena Nazaré, President, European University Association, Portugal  
Mohamed Fathy Saoud, President, Qatar Foundation, Qatar  
Chair: Stefano Paleari, Board Member, European University Association, Italy

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Session**

##### ***Plenary Discussion: creativity, learning and academic freedom***

Hossam Badrawi, Chairman, Nile Badrawi Foundation for Development & Education, Egypt  
Fernando Galan, Vice-Chairperson, European Students' Union, Belgium  
Norwegian Students' and Academics' International Assistance Fund (tbc)  
Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association (tbc)  
Moderated by: Eva Egron-Polak, Magna Charta Observatory Council Member and Secretary General of International Association of Universities – AIU, France

<i>18.15</i>	<i>Leaving the venue to go to the bus</i>
<i>18.45</i>	<i>Bus leaving from Piazza Minghetti</i>
<i>19.30</i>	<i>Concert: Cristina Zavalloni &amp; Radar Band at Unipol Auditorium</i>
<i>20.30</i>	<i>Dinner Reception Marcello Leoni Bistrot</i>
<i>22.30</i>	<i>Bus to Via Indipendenza – St. Peter Cathedral</i>

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09.00 – 12.30

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Session**

#### ***Challenges to the modern higher education: marketisation and creative new skills***

Amin Mahmoud, Minister of Higher Education, Jordan

Agneta Bladh, Magna Charta Observatory Council Member and EU high level group on Modernisation of Higher Education, Sweden

Sultan Abu Orabi, Secretary General, Association of Arab Universities, Jordan

Jaume Pages, CEO, Universia, Spain

Moderated by: Mohamed Loutfi, Magna Charta Observatory Council Member and Pro Vice-Chancellor, Cardiff Metropolitan University, UK

### **4<sup>th</sup> Session**

#### ***Plenary Discussion***

#### ***Universities and cities: fostering creative learning environments***

Dorothy Kelly, Vice-Rector of University of Granada, Spain; President of Coimbra Group

Antoinette Charon Wauters, Director of International Relations, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Masayuki Sasaki, Director Urban Research Plaza, Professor Osaka City University and, UNESCO Creative Cities representative, Japan

Moderated by: Luciano Saso, Steering Committee Member of the Network of the Universities from the Capitals of Europe, UNICA, Rome, Italy

#### ***Interventions from the Audience and Closure***

12.30 – 14.00

*Lunch*

**The Conference will be held in English**

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**Friday 20 September 2013**

*Aula Magna Santa Lucia, Via Castiglione 36*  
*18.30 – 20.00*

## ***Ceremony of the Signature of the Magna Charta Universitatum***

### ***Welcome address***

Ivano Dionigi, Rector of the University of Bologna

### ***Why the Universities?***

Umberto Eco

### ***Signature of the Magna Charta Universitatum***

### ***Presidency Handing Over***

Üstün Ergüder, President of the Magna Charta Observatory Council  
President Elected of the Magna Charta Observatory Council

### ***Words of thanks by a signatory***

***Award of the prize to the winner student*** (lodging for its stay in Bologna at the Collegio Superiore for the best audio-visual product about the principles of the Magna Charta Universitatum) and ***show of his/her video***

Prize Awardee: Luca Ciotti, Director of the Collegio Superiore

### ***Closing Remarks***

Fabio Roversi-Monaco, Honorary President Magna Charta Observatory

*Palazzo Pepoli, Via Castiglione 8*

*20.00*

***Dinner***

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