5th ICA Rectors and Deans Forum 2015
Educating the Young Professionals to Feed the Planet &
Provide for the Sustainable Bioeconomy

Thursday 22 and Friday 23 October 2015
to be held at
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Piacenza, Italy

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 21 October, Piacenza

16.30 Tea and Coffee before the ICA General Assembly
17.00 ICA General Assembly, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Piacenza, Italy

19.30 Bus Departs Hotel City for Piacenza centre for those registered for the Historic City
   Tour and the ICA Forum Dinner
21.00 ICA Rectors and Deans Forum 2015 Dinner, Restaurant VECCHIA PIACENZA; via San
   Bernardo n. 1
   Return by bus to the Hotel City

Thursday 22 October Milan EXPO 2015

7.30 Depart Hotel City, Piacenza
10.00 Arrive at the EXPO 2015, Milan
10.30 Coffee at EU Pavilion
OPENING OF THE 5th ICA RECTORS AND DEANS FORUM 2015

10.45 Welcome

11.00 Introduction Towards a Research Agenda for Global Food and Nutrition Security

Franz Fischler, Chair of the EXPO 2015 EU Scientific Steering Committee

11.30 Session 1 Addressing the challenge of nutritional security

Tom Arnold, Interim Coordinator, Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement. Director General, Institute of International and European Affairs (IIIEA)

Academic respondent:

Carl Lachat, Department of Food Safety and Food Quality, Ghent University, Belgium

Discussion

13.00 Lunch

13.45 Session 2 Addressing the challenge of sustainable natural resource management

David Baldock, Executive Director, Institute for European Environmental Policy, United Kingdom

Academic respondent:

Nadarajah Sriskandarajah, Environmental Communication, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden

Discussion

15.15 Coffee

15.45 Session 3 Addressing the societal challenge of climate change

Pavel Kabat, Director General and Chief Executive Officer, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), Austria

Academic respondent:

John Porter, Climate and Food Security, Copenhagen University, Denmark

Discussion

17.15 Closing discussion

17.30 Delegates have the opportunity to visit the EXPO
20.30 Reception and Buffet dinner on the terrace of the EU Pavilion
22.00 Depart from the EU pavilion, then by bus to Piacenza
Friday 23 October, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Piacenza

**Session 4: The Life Science universities educational response to the challenges**

9.00  
**Responding to the learning culture and career expectations of the future generations of university students**  
**Aoife Lyons**, Alltech, Ireland

9.30  
**Responding to the expectations of the labour market: Supplying the Food Sector with qualified graduates** –  
**Mella Frewen**, Director General, Food and Drink Europe, Belgium

10.00  
**Discussion**

10.15  
Coffee

10.45  
**Developing graduates with holistic systems thinking skills for the bio-economy** – the graduate with an interdisciplinary CV. Case studies of Bioeconomy degree programmes,

**The three pillars study programmes at BOKU for the sustainable Bioeconomy**  
**Barbara Hinterstoisser**, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Austria

**Masters in Management of Bioeconomy, Innovation and Governance**  
**James Mittra**, Graduate School of Social and Political Science, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom

**Master Bioeconomy**  
Iris Lewandowski, Vice President Academic Affairs, University of Hohenheim, Germany

**Discussion**

12.30  
**Final Discussion**

13.00  
**Closure**

*Lunch and depart*

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Dr Simon Heath  
ICA Secretary General