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ANNUAL NETWORK MEETING

Cultural diversity in research as a source of opportunity or challenge

6 June 2025, 9 a.m. – 5.30 p.m.

Fiore di Botta Building, Via del Pescarotto 8, Padua

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9.00 a.m. - 9.30 a.m.

Registration of participants

9.30 a.m. - 9.45 a.m.

Welcome greetings

Fabio Zwirner, Vice Rector for Research, University of Padua

9.45 a.m. - 10.15 a.m.

Cultural backgrounds in research practices

Fiona Clare Dalziel, Professor at the Department of Linguistic and Literary Studies, University of Padua

10.15 a.m. - 11.15 a.m.

UNIPhD Fellows presenting their mobility experience from an intercultural perspective - Roundtable

Anna Paola Simonetti, Manager of The Culture Factor Italy - intercultural expert, moderating the discussion with UNIPhD Fellows on their mobility experiences.

Invited Fellows:

Yash Janardhan Vyas, **Lorena Xiomara Gonzalez Acero** and **Eduardo Javier Ordoñez Trejo**

11.15 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.

Coffee break

11.45 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.

Introducing the Euraxess Intercultural Assistant Tool for Researchers

Nikolina Tsvetkova, Associate Professor, Head of the European Studies Department, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria

Svetlana Dimitrova, Coordinator of the EURAXESS Bulgaria network

12.15 p.m. - 12.45 p.m.

Alumni Association of the University of Padua

Why joining the Alumni global Network - Mission, activities and personal stories

Gianni Dal Pozzo, President

Invited Alumni:

Giovanni Cherubini, Chief Expert Huawei Zurich Research Center, Zurich, Switzerland

Roberta Sassu, Global Portfolio & Programme Management Lead in Diagnostics, Novartis Pharma, Basel, Switzerland

12.45 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.

UNIPhD Community Building

The UNIPhD Community beyond the Doctoral Programme, presentation of the UNIPhD LinkedIn group and platform on secondment experiences

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1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.

Lunch break

2.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

Cultural diversity in research - Interactive workshop

Jeanine Gregersen-Hermans, Senior Lecturer and Researcher at Zuyd University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands

5.00 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.

UNIPhD towards Global Challenges Competition - Turning researchers' ideas into actions

Inspired by the Horizon Europe Marie Skłodowska-Curie Post-doctoral Fellowship Action, the Competition engages four discipline-specific Evaluation panels in which to identify the three best original research project ideas proposed by UNIPhD Fellows

Award and closing ceremony



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