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# Professional Development and Leadership PhD Summer School

- 24-28 July 2023
  - Waterford, Ireland

## Dear EU-CONEXUS PhD students,

We are pleased to invite you to the 3rd EU-CONEXUS PhD Summer School entitled Professional Development and Leadership, that will be hosted by the South East Technological University in Waterford, Ireland, 24-28 July, 2023.

With the framework of the PhD Summer Schools, EU-CONEXUS is providing a joint, flexible, and innovative program, based on inter-disciplinary and cross-sectoral approaches, with learning outcomes and sessions based on leadership and professional development skills. This opportunity will boost your international research career and your focus on solving Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability challenges together with other PhD students from our alliance and experts from more than 10 countries.

We look forward to seeing you at the 3rd EU-CONEXUS PhD Summer School!

Sincerely, Organizing Committee of the EU-CONEXUS PhD Summer School

## PhD student will participate in

#### Seminars

given by experts in professional development, research communication and leadership

#### Workshops

on applying theory and expertise in practice: groups of 5-6 students

Networking, site visits, cultural and social events

## KEY DATES Spring 2023

 30/04/2023
 Submission of applications

 07/05/2023
 Selection of participants

 08/05/2023
 Notification of acceptance

01/06/2023	Providing practical information to participants on travel, accommodation, venue and other logistical aspects
24-28/07/2023	EU-CONEXUS Summer School (Arrival on 23rd, Departure on 29th)

## IMPORTANT NOTES

30 students from different research fields from 9 EU-CONEXUS universities and partners are invited to participate in the EU-CONEXUS Summer School.

Summer School activities include 50 hours of classroom and independent study. All the activities and practical sessions from the final agenda are mandatory. The selected participants will be assigned during PhD Summer School to interdisciplinary working teams

All participants will receive an EU-CONEXUS certificate.



## Why participate ?



#### **OVERARCHING GOALS**

- Bring together PhD students interested in Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability
- Build strong international ties

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS**

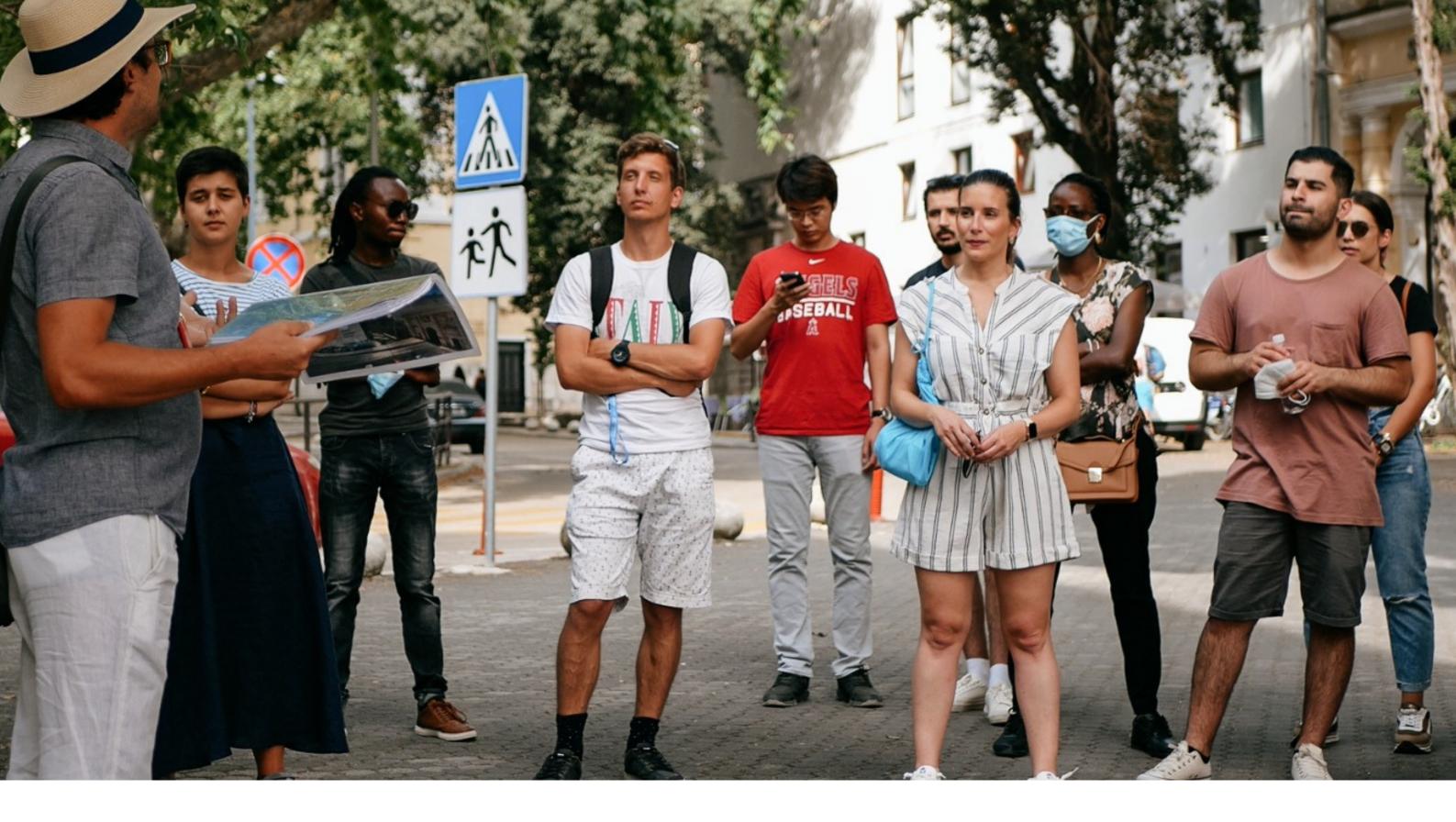
- Hands-on instruction on current practices and trends in professional development,
- research communication and leadership
- Networking and cultural activities
- Obtain insights and feedback from renowned experts in the field
- Develop an international research career
  - New skills to become better researchers, coordinators and team leaders

### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Knowledge and practice of scientific and professional communication
- Develop research profile and use career development tools
- Develop skills in using social-media platforms and tools
- Design and development of inter and multidisciplinary research projects
- Improve networking skills
- Coordinate research teams

Skills that will be developed during the program are proposed after consulting 300 stakeholders of Alliance in EU-CONEXUS Skills Map process:

- Team playing, co-working and able to work as part of a multidisciplinary team
- Able to communicate effectively and to represent themselves and their results of their work effectively
- Able to set goals, evaluate tasks and organize time schedule, crisis management
- Able to understand or feel what another person is experiencing from within their frame of reference and react adequately towards them (empathy)
- Able to prepare and present oral and visual presentations, prepare written reports, conveying ideas clearly, eloquently, and supported by arguments
- Able to supervise, manage and lead working groups
- Able to influence and persuade (in a sense of achieving own goals, i.e. affecting the behavior of others through oral communication or another kind of communication)



## How to apply ?

#### NO COST

The summer school is free of charge for all selected participants

EU-CONEXUS will cover the costs for travel, accommodation and daily allowance

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

- PhD students from all EU-CONEXUS universities and partners
- from all research areas and from any year of doctoral study
  - with C1 English

#### **APPLICATION AND SELECTION**



PHD

- Applications should be submitted at this <u>link</u>
- Application deadline: 30 April 2023
- Applicants will be selected based on their motivation and CV
- 2-3 students per partner university will be invited to participate
- The selected applicants will be notified on 8 May 2023



#### ORGANISATION AND PARTICIPATION

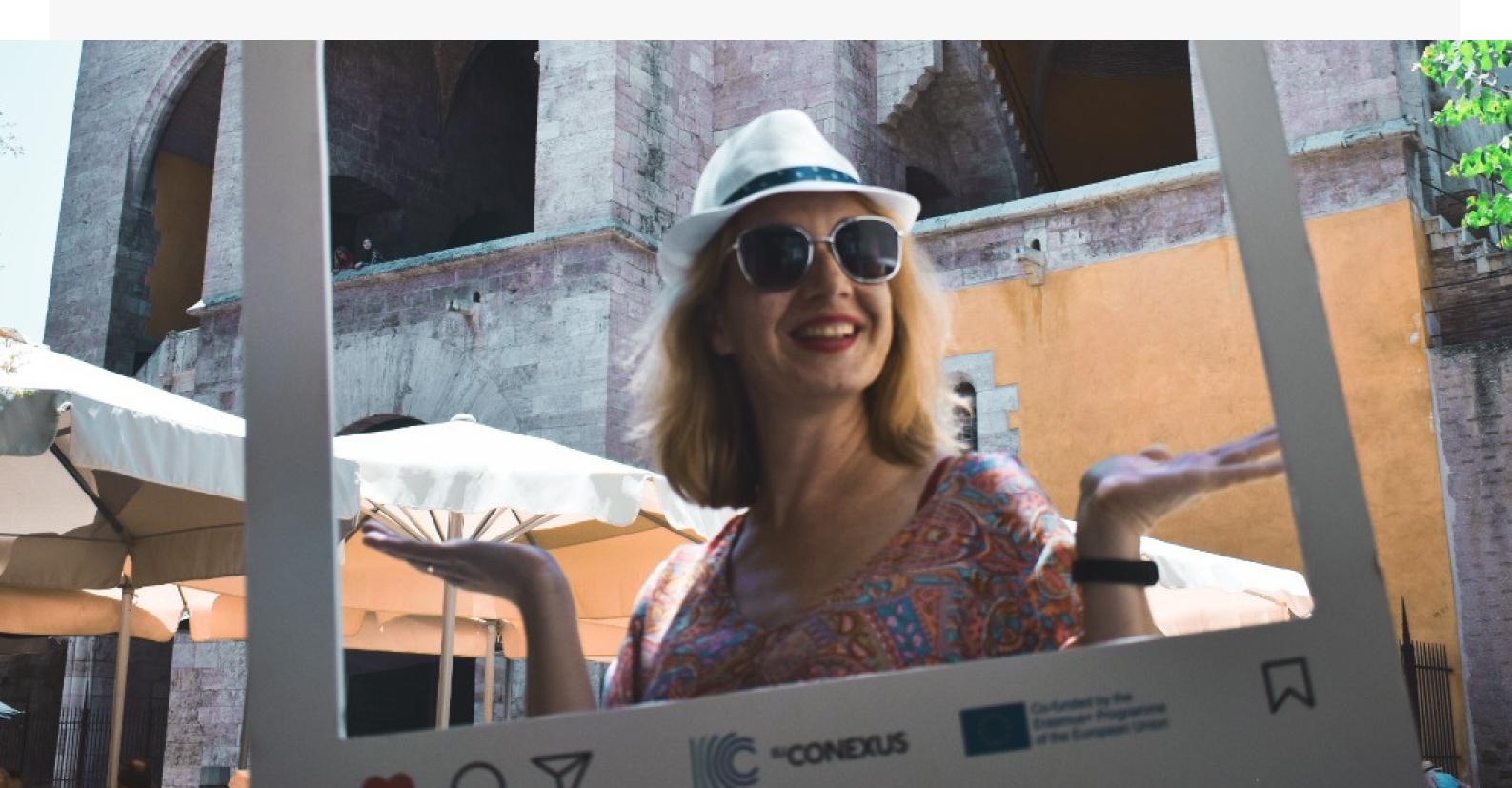
Practical information and final programme will be sent on 1 June 2023

### **General Daily Agenda**

09.00 - 09.30	Coffee - Networking
09.30 - 10.45	Lectures
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 - 13.00	Lectures or Practical Work
13.00 - 14.15	Lunch Break
14.15 - 16.00	Lectures or Practical Work
16.00 - 18.00	Free time
18.00 - 22.00	Cultural and social activity

### Lectures and sessions

- EU-CONEXUS general presentation
- The 3 minutes challenge presentation of PhD subjects
- Enhancing research visibility and research profiles
- Scholarly communication. Research impact
- Learn How to Communicate Science Through Art
- Practical work Writing abstracts and summaries
- Working and researching in interdisciplinary teams
- Developing leadership competences. Leadership and team management
- How to work effectively with your supervisor (+adivisory commitee). Teamwork and collaboration
- Social media strategy. Interviewing skills
- Stress management techniques and personality how to improve your skills and feel better





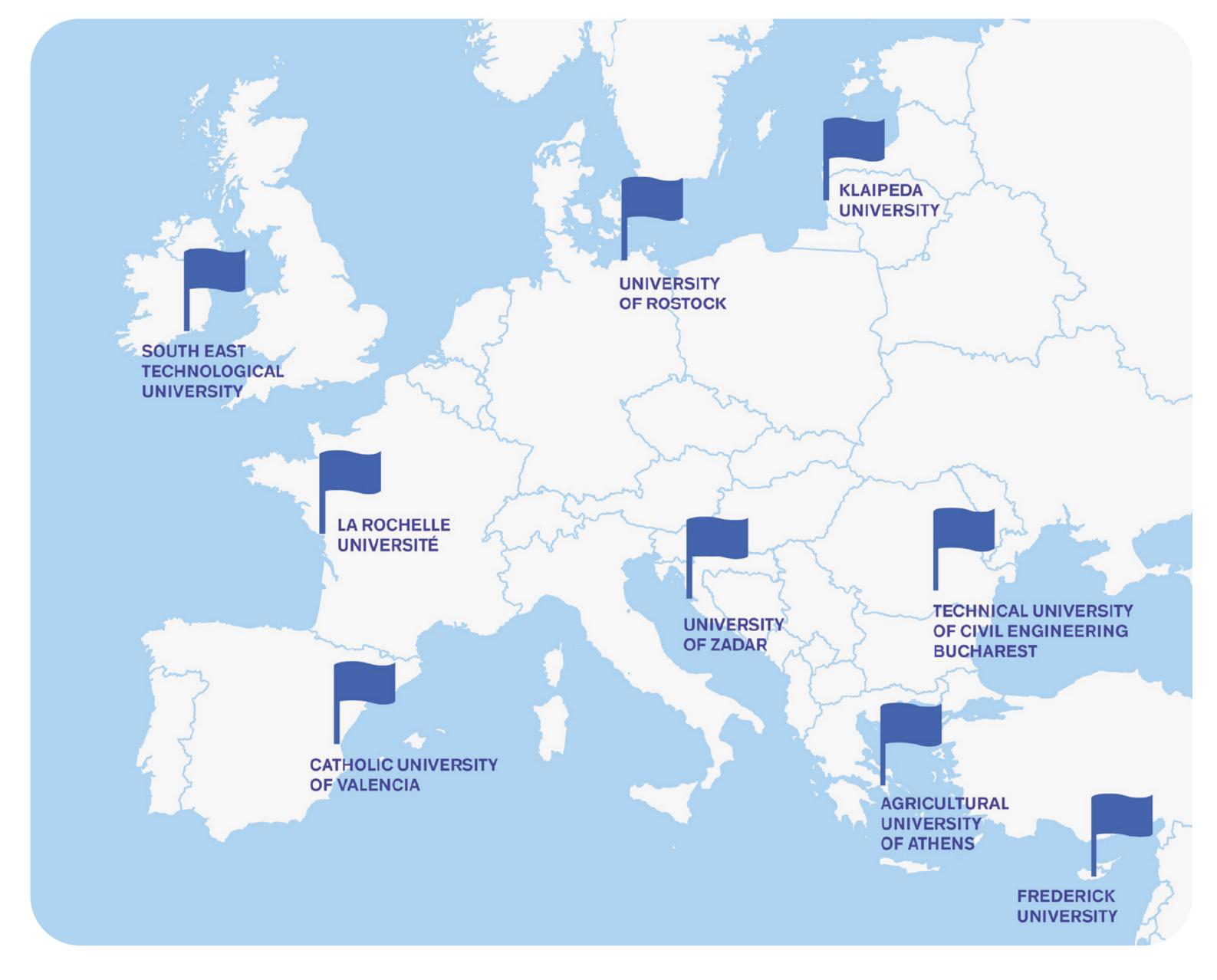
### South East Technological University (SETU)

South East Technological University is the first technological university in south east Ireland. This gives us an exciting platform to establish our community as a centre for innovation, opportunity, and growth. We have 18000 part-time and full-time students, 1500 staff members and 5 locations with campuses. Through exceptional learning and collaboration, we aim to transform the ambitions of learners, researchers, and businesses across the south east and beyond.

#### Key facts about Waterford

- Irelands oldest city
- Ca 83,000 population
- Rich cultural heritage and history
- Reginalds Tower Irelands oldest civic building
- **——** Ryanair's very first flight was a 14 seater plane from Waterford
- Airport to London Gatwick.
- **\_\_\_\_** Theatres, Beaches, festivals
- Strong relationship with the Water River Suir, Tramore and
- Dunmore Beaches, Waterford Port, Watersports activities





The European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability

(EU-CONEXUS) is a transnational European higher education and research institution that covers smart urban sustainable coastal development from a global point of view, relying on an interdisciplinary, trans-sectoral and trans- national approach.

The competitive advantage of EU-CONEXUS is based on the identified thematic orientation of its educational programmes, research areas and its comprehensiveness that is achieved by joining forces and assembling the complementary expertiseof the partner universities and associated partners.

EU-CONEXUS opens up opportunities to foster curriculum and research to confront global challenges Find more on www.eu-conexus.eu













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study programmes at all levels

## 8 173 staff

71 423

students

## 98 research units



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