



EMUNI 3rd General Assembly Calls for Strengthening the Role of EMUNI in Promoting Higher Education in the Mediterranean

Ankara, Turkey, 24 – 27 Nov.

EMUNI General Assembly opened 27 November 2010 in the premises of Hacettepe University in Ankara by Professor Joseph Mifsud President EMUNI.



140 Universities from 32 countries of the Union for the Mediterranean were represented in EMUNI General Assembly. EMUNI Commissions, Senate and Management Board meetings were held at the outset of the conference, where the Statute of the University was discussed, amendments were adopted designating an important step in the sustainability of the Euro-Mediterranean University under the leadership of President Joseph Mifsud. Several Dignitaries from Euro-Mediterranean institutions marked the openings of this year's EMUNI General



Assembly; Honourable Rodi Kratsa, Vice President of European Parliament; H.E. Ilen Chet, Deputy Secretary General of The Union for the Mediterranean; H.E. József Györkös, Secretary of State, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology in Slovenia; Dr. Yusuf Ziya OZCAN, Chair of the National Council of Higher Education; Honourable Miro Petek, Member of Parliament of Republic of Slovenia. H.E. Mohamed Naciri, Ambassador Representative of the Arab League in Turkey. Guests outlined the importance of the Role that EMUNI is playing in fostering cultural dialogue in the Mediterranean despite hurdles.

H.E. József Györkös, began his Speech by emphasising Slovenia intention to continue providing support to the Euro-

Mediterranean University over the next two years.



Honourable Rodi Kratsa Vice President of the European Parliament delivered a speech where H.E. stressed the importance of an Euro-Mediterranean entity like EMUNI in promoting cultural dialogue among societies of the Mediterranean providing the support that EMUNI deserves in order to be able to achieve its own goals. [\[More\]](#)



Mediterranean Memory Project

Dubrovnik, Croatia, 15 – 17 Oct

The University of Zagreb, Center for Mediterranean Studies together with the National Hellenic Commission for Unesco and the Intercultural Euro-Mediterranean Center of Unesco organised an International Conference on the Mediterranean Memory. 200 participants from Mediterranean countries attended the sessions. The papers presented during the conference were targeting the Union for the Mediterranean. EMUNI participated at this conference with a presentation on 'Giving Momentum to Intercultural Cooperation in the UPM'. Other themes the conference tackled were cultural tourism, journalism, historical perspectives of towns and municipalities and their relationship with the UfM. [\[More\]](#)

EUA Annual Conference

Palermo, Italy, 20 – 23 Oct

The conference explored the evolving nature of Europe's universities. It concentrated on the impact of external pressures to respond to different demands at system level and of internal developments, examining the complex interplay of factors shaping the modern university. During the conference, EMUNI President Mifsud held several talks with representatives of EMUNI partner institutions. [\[More\]](#)

EMUNI in Morocco

Morocco, 25 Oct – 2 Nov

Professor Joseph Mifsud paid a visit to Morocco where he visited five Universities and Higher Education Institutions. The President's visit came to consolidate the progressive cooperation between the Euro-Mediterranean University and Moroccan Universities. Professor Joseph Mifsud has conducted a meeting with HE Mohamed Kinidiri, former Minister of Education in Morocco, former President of Caddi Ayyad University, President of Association Grand Atlas in Marrakech. HE Mohamed Knidirri is also Executive director of Daar Al-Talib (adobe of student). Professor Joseph Mifsud was warmly received by the President of Caddi Ayyad University, one of the most reputable Universities of Morocco founded in 1978 in Marrakech. [\[More\]](#)

Meknes University Joins EMUNI

Mekness, Morocco, 26 – 28 Oct

EMUNI President carried out a series of meetings at Moulay Ismail University of Meknes in Morocco where he met Professor Mohamed Zaher Ben-Abdellah, President of Meknes University, accompanied. University of Meknes organized a ceremony in the honour of EMUNI. At the end of the Ceremony the two Presidents signed a cooperation agreement by which University Moulay Ismail became an EMUNI member and the two Presidents agreed on full cooperation at different levels. University Moulay Ismail of Meknes is one of the largest Universities of Morocco with some 35,000 Students including a growing number of overseas students. [\[More\]](#)

Public Validation of Study Programmes

Portorož, Slovenia, 27 Oct

Master study programmes Intercultural Business Communication of 2 years (120 ECTS credits) already accredited at the University of Urbino Carlo Bo (Italy) and Environmental Analysis and Management of 2 years (120 ECTS credits) already accredited at the University of Palermo (Italy), notified at the Slovenian Quality Assurance Agency (SQAA) by the EMUNI University are publicly valid. [\[More\]](#)



EMUNI at the Parliament of the Kingdom of Morocco

Rabat, Morocco, 28 – 30 Oct

EMUNI University participated in the 5th plenary session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM) which took place in the Parliament of Morocco.

Professor Joseph Mifsud conducted an intense series of meetings with different delegations of Parliaments of Slovenia, Croatia, and Morocco, where he discussed cooperation with EMUNI. Professor Joseph Mifsud has also met with the delegation of the Euro-Mediterranean Youth organisation. [\[More\]](#)

Power and Dynamics of Civil Resistance

Portorož, Slovenia, 8 – 12 Nov

EMUNI hosted the course on "Power and Dynamics of Civil Resistance", organised in the frame of the EMUNI Professional School in cooperation with the EMUNI Foundation, the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict (ICNC) from United States and Alliance of Civilizations. The course, led by prominent experts in the field (Maciej Bartkowski, Kurt Schock and Howard Clark) was designed to provide an in-depth and multi-disciplinary perspective on the dynamic of civilian-based movements and campaigns that defend and obtain basic rights and justice, halt political oppression and facilitate democratic transitions and accountable governance. EMUNI Foundation awarded grants for students that came from 10 different countries. [\[More\]](#)

Countries put Intercultural Dialogue and Cooperation First in the Mediterranean

La Valetta, Malta, 9 Nov

Ministers and government representatives from around 40 countries as well as representatives of international and regional organizations, universities, foundations, the corporate sector, youth and the media met to agree on an Alliance of Civilisations Regional Strategy on Intercultural Dialogue and Cooperation for the Mediterranean and on its Action Plan, exchange good practices in the field of intercultural dialogue and share ideas for future joint actions. President Joseph Mifsud chaired the High Level Debate and delivered a presentation,

in which he appealed for synergy in the action plans, funding for concrete actions and a concerted effort in identifying real issues to be undertaken within the action plan.

EMUNI also made a presentation in the parallel workshops for civil society. [\[More\]](#)

Careers and Mobility of Researchers

Brussels, Belgium, 9 – 10 Nov

EMUNI participated in the Conference organised by the Belgian EU Presidency and DG Research on Careers and Mobility of Researchers held. Two concluding sessions were chaired by the President of EMUNI who also spoke about the major aims of EMUNI. [\[More\]](#)

EMUNI Participation in Tangier

Tangier, Morocco, 11 Nov

EMUNI was invited to participate in the Medays Event in Morocco, in the prestigious panel on the place of Human Capital in the development project for Southern countries. The discussion questioned the role that education, professional training, and employment play in shaping a country and its citizens, and in alleviating poverty. [\[More\]](#)

EMUNI "Label" Study Programmes 2010/11

In the Academic Year 2010/11 EMUNI partner universities from **France, Italy and Tunisia** in cooperation with EMUNI University will implement six EMUNI "label" master study programmes.

- **Public Management, speciality: Euro-Mediterranean Management** – Sustainable Development, Paul Cézanne University Aix-Marseille III, France
- **Euro-Mediterranean Master in Culture and Tourism**, University of Bari /Community of Mediterranean Universities, Italy
- **Landscape, Territory and Patrimony**, University of Sousse, Tunisia
- **Environmental Analysis and Management**, University of Palermo, Italy
- **Environmental and Engineering Geology**, University of Urbino, Italy
- **Intercultural Business Communication**, University of Urbino, Italy

The compulsory module Euro-Mediterranean Studies will be delivered at

EMUNI University, Portorož - Piran, Slovenia in two terms:

- 1st term: 21 February – 12 March 2011
- 2nd term: 4 – 16 April 2011

[\[More\]](#)

Professional School 2011: Euro Mediterranean Studies

Courses will be delivered at EMUNI University, Portorož - Piran, Slovenia in two terms:

1st term: 21 February – 12 March 2011

Courses:

- **Euro-Mediterranean International Relations**, EN
- **Marine Environment of the Mediterranean Sea**, EN
- **Sustainable Use and Conservation of the Mediterranean Flora**, EN
- **Geographical Perspectives and Tourist Regions**, EN

2nd term: 4 – 16 April 2011

Courses:

- **Euro-Mediterranean International Relations**, EN
- **External Cooperation and EUROMED**, EN

[\[More\]](#)

Erasmus Mobility

EMUNI was awarded the Erasmus Extended University Charter in 2009. With the aim to enhance the collaboration among partner institutions and contribute to the intercultural dialogue and a multicultural learning environment, EMUNI University is signing bilateral agreements in the Erasmus Lifelong Learning Programme. Higher Education Institutions interested to cooperate in the frame of Erasmus LLP Mobility are invited to send their proposals. Students can participate in Professional school courses or come to Slovenia under Erasmus Student Mobility for placement (internship).



3rd EMUNI Research Souk

The Euro-Mediterranean Student Research Multi-conference

Innovation and Employability – the Universities Challenge
March 2011

Locations:

- **Beirut Arab University, Lebanon**
- **other EMUNI partners**

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Date	Place	Events & Meetings
22 Nov – 22 Dec 2010	Valletta, Malta	Professional School: Arabic as a language of intercultural dialogue in the Mediterranean
Mar 2011	Beirut, Lebanon and Other EuroMed Countries	3 rd EMUNI Research Souk: Innovation and Employability – the Universities Challenge