European Universities – EU Flagship Initiative

European Universities are transnational university alliances which aim at building a joint European Education Area. As "Universities of the Future", they provide excellent education and research, promote sustainability and foster the European identity.

A new generation of Europeans is studying, teaching, and researching in different languages across national and disciplinary boundaries. Together, they are tackling the social challenges of our time and strengthening the European higher education sector.

To date, a total of 44 university alliances have been funded by the EU. As ATHENA alliance we are building a university of the future!

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Advanced Technology Higher Education Network Alliance

What is ATHENA?

The ATHENA European University aims to provide inclusive, innovative, and high-quality education. Its founding members are mediumsized European universities that are working together closely both in research and teaching and are creating a joint educational offer. A particular focus on physical and virtual mobility and a wide range of courses tailored to individual interests allow for flexible study options in a truly European environment.

Targeting global market needs and offering excellent training opportunities permit students and doctoral candidates to enter a career quickly and successfully, which is beneficial to both companies and society. Supported by regional industry partners, new findings and research results are brought back to the society.

Our Offer

- Studying and doing research in an international environment
- Physical and virtual mobility
- Novel teaching and learning formats
- Innovative and applied research
- Involvement of local industry
- Transfer of knowledge to society
- Lifelong learning



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For Students

Studying in an international environment
Individual and flexible courses
Mobility among ATHENA partner universities
Joint events
Competence clusters
Development of soft and foreign language skills

For Researchers and Teachers

Applied research and teaching in an innovative environment
Broad opportunities for further training
International research cooperation
Exchange and training opportunities for PhD students and lecturers
Intercultural exchange
Joint projects with industry partners

For Technical and Administrative Staff

Broad opportunities for further training
Intercultural exchange
Close cooperation in a European context
Development of soft and foreign language skills

For Industry and Society

Transfer of research results

Excellently trained graduates

European perspectives and networking opportunities

Knowledge exchange between universities, industry and society

166 000 Students

15 000 Staf

Associated Partners in Industry,
Government and Non-Government
institutions, public institutions

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Campuses

ATHENA Partners

Hellenic Mediterranean University (Greece)
Maria Curie-Skłodowska University (Poland)
Niccolò Cusano University Rome (Italy)
Polytechnic Institute of Porto (Portugal)
University of Maribor (Slovenia)
University of Orléans (France)
University of Siegen (Germany)
University of Vigo (Spain)
Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (Lithuania)

