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FORUM

The WORLD **WITHIN** *our BORDERS*

international programmes *at* Italian universities

Dubai, Italy Pavilion

15th December 2021

h. 11.00-13.00 (Dubai time)



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The Italian Ministry for University and Research (MUR) and the Conference of Italian University Rectors (CRUI) organize a forum aimed at presenting and promoting the Italian university and research system and its excellences, highlighting the role that universities play in accelerating economic and social growth. Special focus will be set on post-graduate courses taught in English, with particular reference to the Expo Dubai's topics.

The university plays a fundamental role for growth, competitiveness, and the ability to prepare societies for future challenges, especially after the transformations imposed by the Covid pandemic.

The drive towards internationalization that has widely affected Italian universities in recent times is also reflected in the enhancement of postgraduate courses delivered in English and linked to the main university research areas: post-graduate professionally -oriented courses, research doctorates, winter and summer schools. Such educational offer – together with first-cycle and second-cycle courses in English – is where universities are investing to attract international students and researchers but which, very often, is also appreciated by Italian students.

A picture of this rich and high-quality international training offer will be presented, with particular emphasis on the eight Expo Dubai reference areas: Aerospace, Agriculture 4.0, Cultural Heritage, Cyber Security, Smart Energy, Internet of things, Sustainable mobility, Life science.

The Italian higher Education system participates in Expo Dubai 2020 with more than thirty universities, partner of the Italian Pavillon, that are presenting their features of excellence.

The MUR-CRUI forum is aimed at higher education and research authorities and institutions of the United Arab Emirates, as well as representatives from UAE universities, and Scientific and Cultural Attachés from the foreign Embassies in the UAE.

Agenda

Promoting inclusive and multicultural environments in Higher Education

11.00 – 11.10

OPENING AND PRESENTATION OF THE FORUM

Moderator: Filippo Solibello

11.10 – 11.30

OPENING REMARKS

Prof. Maria Cristina Messa

Italian Minister for University and Research

Video ("The Italian University")

Prof. Ferruccio Resta

Rector of the Polytechnic University of Milano, President of CRUI:

The transformations leading to the University of the future

11.30 – 11.55

KEYNOTE SPEECHES

Prof. Vincenzo Zara

"Laboratory on Teaching&Learning" of the CRUI Foundation:

International study courses as cultural projects (online speaker)

Video (An international student at the University of Milan)

Prof. Maurizio Tira

Rector of the University of Brescia, CRUI Delegate for International Affairs:

The postgraduate training offer in English in Italian universities

11.55 – 12.40

ROUND TABLE

Prof. Tiziana Lippiello

Rector of the University “Ca’ Foscari” of Venezia (online speaker)

Video (“The Blu Economy”)

Testimonial (a student)

Prof. Matteo Lorito

Rector of the University of Napoli “Federico II” (online speaker)

Prof. Riccardo Pietrabissa

Rector of the University School for Advanced Studies-IUSS Pavia

Testimonial: **Christian Salvatore**, CEO and co-funder of “DeepTrace Technologies”
(online speaker)

Prof. Francesco Frati

Rector of the University of Siena

Video message from **Prof. Giorgio Parisi**, the Nobel Prize in Physics 2021

12.40-12.45

CONCLUSIONS AND END OF THE MEETING