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المركز الجامعي للدراسات الأورو متوسطية

**Euro-Mediterranean University
l'Université Euro-Méditerranéenne
Evro-sredozemska univerza**

**Solemn Inauguration
Cérémonie inaugurale
Ustanovna slovesnost**

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SUNDAY 8 JUNE 2008

20.45 **Reception**

under the auspices of Mayor of Municipality of Piran, Tomaž Gantar
Bernardin – Restaurant Barka

MONDAY 9 JUNE 2008

9.30 - 10.00 **Press Conference**

Congress centre Bernardin - Daphnia (ground floor)

10.30 - 12.00 **Meeting of the International Academic Council (IAC)**

Congress centre Bernardin - Aurora (ground floor)

12.15 **Reception**

under the auspices of the Center EMUNI
Congress centre Bernardin – Nautilus (ground floor)

13.30 - 16.30 **Conference on Higher Education: Intercultural Dialogue and Higher Education**

Congress centre Bernardin - Aurora (ground floor)

Organized by: Center EMUNI, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and
Technology, Republic of Slovenia, EuroMed Permanent University Forum - EPUF

16.30 - 17.15 **University Trust Fund: Meeting with the Business Sector**

Congress centre Bernardin - Nautilus (ground floor)

17.50 - 18.00 **Inscription in the Inaugural Volume (Official family photo)**

Congress centre Bernardin - Sunset (X. floor)

18.00 - 19.00 **Solemn Inauguration of the Euro-Mediterranean University**

under the auspices of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia
and the President of the European Council, Janez Janša
Congress centre Bernardin - Europa (XII. floor)

Solemn Addresses by:

- Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia and the President of the European Council, Janez Janša
- Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, Amr Moussa
- President of the European Parliament, Hans-Gert Pöttering
- President of the European Commission, José Manuel Durão Barroso

Signing of the Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University with its seat
in Slovenia - **at the ceremony will be the solemn announcement of higher education
and research institutions which have signed the Foundation Charter** till 9 June.

19.00 **Reception**

under the auspices of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia
Congress centre Bernardin - Cocktail Lounge (XI. floor)

MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC COUNCIL (IAC)

10.30 - 12.00

Congress centre Bernardin - Aurora (ground floor)

9.30 Registration

10.30 - 12.00 Agenda:

- Euro-Mediterranean Higher-education Space and Slovenian Presidency
- Center EMUNI and constitution of the IAC
- Education and research priorities in 2008 – 2010
- Towards EMUNI University
- Discussion and Conclusion

Speakers:

- Prof. Dr. Dušan Lesjak (State Secretary, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology and president of the project group responsible for establishing Euro-mediterranean University)
- Ambassador Veronika Stabej (EUROMED)
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nada Trunk Širca (Directress Center EMUNI)
- Prof. Dr. Mladen Franko (Chairman of Center EMUNI Academic Board)
- Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud (Higher Education Expert, appointed by Center EMUNI and Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology Slovenia)

12.15 Reception

under the auspices of the Center EMUNI

Congress centre Bernardin – Nautilus (ground floor)

The International Academic Council (IAC)

is one of the key bodies of Center EMUNI, composed of:

- *representatives of partner institutions, signatories of the letter of intent or other agreements of co-operation;*
- *5 members of Slovenian Academic Board of Center EMUNI;*
- *respected experts of higher education and other experts of repute.*



CONFERENCE ON HIGHER EDUCATION: INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE AND HIGHER EDUCATION

13.30 - 16.30

Congress centre Bernardin - Aurora (ground floor)

Organizers:

- University Center for Euro-Mediterranean Studies (Center EMUNI)
- Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Technology, Slovenia
- EuroMed Permanent University Forum (EPUF)

9.30 Registration

12.15-13.15 Reception

under the auspices of the Center EMUNI
Congress centre Bernardin – Nautilus (ground floor)

13.30 - 14.00 Opening speeches:

- Ms. Mojca Kucler Dolinar, Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Slovenia
- Prof. Dr. Yusuf Zlya Ozcan, President, The Council of Higher Education, Turkey
- Prof. Dr. Francesc Xavier Grau Vidal, President of Euromed Permanent University Forum (EPUF) and Rector of Rovira i Virgili University, Spain

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud, Higher Education Expert, appointed by Center EMUNI and Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology Slovenia

14.00 - 15.00 1st panel: General View - Internationalization of Higher Education

Speakers (each speaker 10 minutes, than discussion):

- Prof. Dr. Mongi Bousnina, General Director of ALECSO (Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization), Tunisia
- Prof. Dr. Ivan Rozman, Rector, University of Maribor, Slovenia
- Prof. Dr. Abdouli Touhami, President of MOPS, Syria

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Giuseppe Giliberti, Rectors Delegate, University of Urbino, Italy

15.00 - 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 - 16.30 2nd panel: Good Practices - Challenges for Scholars in Multicultural Societies

Speakers (each speaker 10 minutes, than discussion):

- Prof. Dr. Driss Ouaouicha, Executive Officer of The Scholar Ship and former vice president for academic affairs at Al Akhawayn University in Morocco
- Prof. Dr. Annase Bouhlal, Polytechnic University of Applied Sciences, Director of MEDA Institute, Finland
- Prof. Dr. Cosimo Notarstefano, CMU (Community of Mediterranean Universities), Jean Monnet Center of Excellence Polo EuroMed, Italy

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Joseph Shevel, President of the Galilee College, Israel

UNIVERSITY TRUST FUND: MEETING WITH THE BUSINESS SECTOR

16.30 – 17.15

Congress centre Bernardin - Nautilus (ground floor)

16.30 Program:

- Universities and the knowledge contribution to sustainable development of the Euro-Mediterranean region
- Signing of the Letter of Intent for establishment the University Trust Fund business Sector and Center EMUNI
- The State of Kuwait will make a donation to Center EMUNI. This donation will be presented by the Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait, His Excellency Sheikh Dr Salem Al-Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabeh
- Signing the agreement for assuring the seat for Euro-Mediterranean University between the Municipality of Piran and Government of Republic of Slovenia

Speakers:

- Dr. Janez Potočnik, European Commissioner for Science and Research,
- Ms. Rodi Kratsa-Tsagaropoulou, Vice-President of the European Parliament and
- Ms. Mojca Kucler-Dolinar, Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Slovenia
- Mr. Tomaž Gantar, Mayor of the Municipality of Piran

The University Trust Fund

will be established as a foundation and will play an important role in the activities and development of the international Euro-mediterranean University. One of the key bodies of the EMUNI Trust Fund is also Honorary Board. The invitation for membership has been extended by the Government of Slovenia. This invitation has been accepted by a number of prominent personalities in the world.



INSCRIPTION IN THE INAUGURAL VOLUME

(Official family photo termin)

17.50 – 18.00

Congress centre Bernardin - Sunset (X. floor)

17.50 In the presence of Rectors, Presidents of Universities, Presidents of University Networks and other Honorable Guests the Inaugural Volume will be signed by:

- Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia and the President of the European Council, Janez Janša
- Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, Amr Moussa
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Rectors and Presidents of Universities and University Networks, who have already signed the Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University, representatives of companies, which have acceded to the establishment of the University Fund and other honorable guests are also kindly invited to sign the Inaugural Volume.

*We must truly believe in
the boundless potential of young people,
respect their talents, creativity, perspectives and background,
and treat them as partners and collaborators.
(Hessa Bin Al Khalifa)*

*There is no point in dialogue
if we are not prepared to change our minds,
alter our preconceptions and transcend an orthodoxy
that we have long ceased to examine critically.
(Karen A. Armstrong)*

*Real dialogue takes time and trust.
Those who agree to engage in
it must have the assurance
of a safe context and a guaranteed continuity.
(Jane Dammen McAuliffe)*



SOLEMN INAUGURATION OF THE EURO-MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY

18.00 - 19.00

Congress centre Bernardin - Europa (XII. floor)

18.00 Solemn Addresses by

- The Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia and the President of the European Council, Janez Janša
- The Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, Amr Moussa
- The President of the European Parliament, Hans-Gert Pöttering
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Slovenian Folk Music

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Addresses by

- The President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia, France Cukjati
- The President of the Slovenian Delegation at Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly, Prof. Dr. Marko Pavliha

- 20.00** *Slomšek foundation and the Municipality of Piran kindly invite you to the **Karl Jenkinson Cantata »The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace«**, which will be performed at Tartini Square Piran at 20:00 by: United Choirs and Orchestra of slovenian catholic gymnasiums: Anton Martin Slomšek Diocesan Gymnasium, Diocesan Classical Gymnasium Šentvid, Gymnasium Želimlje, Diocesan Gymnasium Vipava and soprano Barbara Tišler. The choir and orchestra will be conducted by Damjan Močnik.*

SLOVENIAN FOLK MUSIC

Folk music is a part of immeasurable cultural treasure and at the same time the source of inspiration for contemporary artists. It seems that during the time of the global pop culture and omni-present media the world has finally realized the importance of cultural heritage, its wealth, diversity, distinctiveness and of course authenticity.

In every county the wind blows with a distinctive sound but despite many names knows no frontiers. The same holds true for folk music the sound of which is not limited to one country and for that point not pure or without influence. After all local musicians and singers have always looked for inspiration abroad – be it in neighbouring countries or in other regions and cultures.

The gaiety, openness and interplay of folk music can serve as a good metaphor for the idea of intercultural dialog, which in itself means showing respect towards genuine cultural expressions, trying to preserve them as well as being aware about the nature of their relationships.

Let us open the windows and listen to the sound of wind.

- MAFRINA (Istrian folk song / Dekani) Vruja
- SAN SE ŠETO (A folk song from Prekmurje) Vlado Kreslin
- POTRKAN PLES (Gorenjska folk song cover) Quartettulipan
- ZELENI JURE (A folk song from Bela Krajina) Katice
- DAJTE, DAJTE (Istrian folk song cover) Quartettulipan
- JAZ BI RAD K DEKLINAM HODU (A folk song rom Styria) Katice, Vlado Kreslin
- MANTINJADA – TANAC (Istrian folk song / Southern Istria) Vruja
- ZRELO JE ŽITO (A folk song from Prekmurje cover) Quartettulipan, Vlado Kreslin
- ČRNI POTOK (A folk song from Rezija) Katice
- CARNEVAL (Istrian folk song / Koper) Vruja

Vruja Marino Kranjac – vocal, bagpipes; Gorast Radojevič – bajs, bas guitar;
Rok Kleva Ivančič – violin; Gabrijel Križman – vocal, mandola, guitar;
Peter Kaligarič – accordion

Vlado Kreslin vocal, guitar

Quartettulipan Blaž Pucihar – piano; Ana Kavčič Pucihar – flute; Miro Božič – harmonica;
Klemen Hvala – violoncello

Katice Barbara Povše Golob, Darinka Borštnik, Karmen Rus, Marjana Češek, Metka Knific,
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Andi Sobočan clavichord

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EURO-MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY

The idea of establishing the Euro-Mediterranean University is growing from 1995, when with the Barcelona process was formed the Euro-Mediterranean partnership EUROMED, designed on three pillars: political-security, economic-financial and cultural-social partnership. In the next years the idea has gained wide support at political and academic levels.

The aim of the University is to be an international, mainly postgraduate and research academic institution within the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership.

The main objectives of the University are:

- to develop academic and professional human resources in the region and contribute to the creation of a common higher education and research area in line with the developments of the Bologna Process, the Catania Declaration and the Cairo Declaration,
- to support and strengthen the existing co-operation networks among universities by promoting and organizing joint study and research programmes,
- to contribute to the enhancement of the intercultural dialogue and dialogue between culture and to the strengthening of the Barcelona Process in general.



The Euro-Mediterranean University will be set up by higher education and research institutions. The first step is signing the **Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University**. All those institutions which will sign the Foundation Charter till 30 September will form a General Assembly who will adopt the Statute in six months time after 9 June 2008 and the University will become a legal entity at the end of 2008. The University shall endeavour to acquire international legal personality through which privileges and immunities will be obtained for its staff members and the performance of their tasks in the Euro-Mediterranean region will be facilitated. Until international legal personality is obtained, the University will abide by the law of the Host Country.

Republic Slovenia established a public institution **The University Centre for Euro-Mediterranean Studies (Center EMUNI)** whose major aim is to prepare and fulfil the necessary conditions for the establishment of the Euro-Mediterranean University with its **seat in Portorož, Municipality of Piran, Slovenia** and to co-ordinate the study process and other activities with partner universities and institutes. In addition to Portorož, the site of the second campus has already been envisaged in **Nova Gorica (Vila Rafut)**.

The Republic of Slovenia lies at the heart of Europe, where the Alps face the Pannonian plains and the Mediterranean meets the mysterious Karst. Slovenia has always been at the crossroads of trans-European routes, linking the East, the West, the North and the South. Slovenia is a beautiful and picturesque country with numerous historical sites, and a rich social and cultural life.



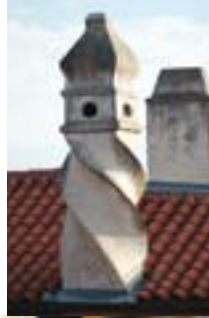
Master Programs - "EMUNI label" (academic year 2008/09)

Areas related to Euro-Mediterranean:

- Culture and Tourism
- Intercultural Dialogue
- Energy and Environment
- Business and Entrepreneurship

Way of carrying out:

- 1 university is responsible for academic standards and degrees
- in each course multiple faculty from at least 3 universities (1 from the South)
- 20 to 30 students (at least 5 from the South)
- in 3 different states 25% in Slovenia







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UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR EURO-MEDITERRANEAN STUDIES (CENTER EMUNI)

Mission of Center EMUNI:

- To build a network of mutual understanding between the countries of the Euro-Mediterranean area.
- To co-operate with partner higher education and research institutions.
- To establish an international Euro-Mediterranean University with its seat in Slovenia.

We believe that we can establish an academic co-operation of higher education and research institutions in the Euro-Mediterranean region. Together with partner institutions we will develop and carry out postgraduate study and research programs. Study programs will be internationally comparable as regards degree structure, study content and awarded professional and scientific titles. Study programs will be carried out in Slovenia and in other partner institutions in the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Activities 2008

Center EMUNI, whose main focus is establishing the Euro-Mediterranean University and spreading understanding among cultures, has already started with its activities:

- Euro-Mediterranean Summer School,
June – July – August, 2008, Portorož, Slovenia
- European Commission workshop: Maritime Policy,
10 June 2008, Portorož, Slovenia
- International Journal of Euro-Mediterranean Studies
- Postgraduate study programs accredited at partner institutions (2008/09)
- International conference Intercultural Dialogue and Management,
26 – 29 November 2008, Barcelona, Spain


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The year 2008 has been designated as the Euro-Mediterranean Year of Intercultural Dialogue. Therefore we believe that we can significantly contribute to the dialogue between cultures.

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