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NEWSLETTER on news and actions
of the European University of Technology

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Welcome to the 10th Electronic Edition of the EUT+ Newsletter! In the wake of extensive discussions in Europe regarding European degrees and the upcoming European elections, this edition aims to convey to you the progress of EUT+ activities through the lens of Cyprus University of Technology's involvement.



European Recognition of Scientific Excellence: Distinction for Professor Sotiris Kalogirou.

We are delighted and proud to announce the prestigious distinction awarded to Professor Sotiris Kalogirou, President of the Council of the EUT+ Coordination

& Engineering Sciences.

This recognition undoubtedly reaffirms Professor Kalogirou's academic and scientific excellence and serves as a source of inspiration for the entire community, both at the Cyprus University of Technology and the European University of Technology, of which he has been and continues to be a pioneer.



"European Elections 2024: Youth at the Forefront"

The event "European Elections 2024: Youth at the Forefront" which took place with great success at the Cyprus University of Technology on May 14th, managed to attract notable interest from attendees and achieved outstanding results. The event reflected the European Union's call for active participation in the democratic process of the June 9th European elections. It was organized by our Erasmus International Mobility Office, with the support of the President of the Department of Communication and Marketing, Associate Professor Vasiliki Triga.

The goal of the event was to promote youth participation in the European elections and provide them with a platform to express their views and concerns on issues that directly affect them. Through presentations and discussions, including the presentation of Choose4Cyprus, an electronic voting tool developed by CUT, participants were encouraged to learn more about Europe and actively engage



Recap: Dublin EUT+ Week

From 8th to 12th April, TU Dublin hosted over 100 colleagues from nine European members, aiming to forge a unified European University with nine campuses. This marked TU Dublin's third EUT+ working week, welcoming new colleagues from UNICAS, Italy. The agenda included conferences, workshops, and plenary sessions focusing on education quality and research advancement. Highlights featured discussions on the European curricula framework and initiatives to overcome legal barriers for joint degree programs. Additionally, the EUT+ Ideas Institute held an event titled "What European Values?", fostering open dialogues on values like human dignity and democracy within the university context.

Watch the video below showcasing the EUT Dublin Week, created by TU Sofia.



Meeting with the Ambassador of Cyprus in Dublin.

During the EUT+ Dublin Week, representatives of CUT delegation laid the bases of a productive cooperation with the Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to Ireland, Mr. Louis Telemachou. Members of CUT delegation, accompanied by the head of EUT+

seminar and panel discussion "What European values?" held at TU Dublin. In statements to our Newsletter editorial team, Mr. Telemachou mentioned regarding the goal of EUT+, i.e., the establishment of the European University of Technology,"I consider it an exciting idea, I observe that there is a great vision, and I am convinced that the cooperation of member states in the field of Higher Education will bring about the best results both for the participating universities and for Europe as a whole." Additionally, during the EUT+ Dublin Week, members of the Cypriot delegation were welcomed by the Ambassador at his residence, where they received warm hospitality.



Pitching Event: Innovative Ideas for Sustainable Innovation.

Our University aimed to highlight pioneering student ideas in sustainable development through a competition aligned with the requirements of Work Package 6 of the European University of Technology - EUT+ alliance. Students from the Department of Civil Engineering and Geomatics presented their ideas for tackling environmental challenges. The winning team, AsfaMax, earned a Fast Track to the ClimateLaunchpad competition and potential entry into the regional European competition.



A Blueprint for a European Degree

The event "Designing for a Common European Degree" brought together nearly 300 representatives from EU educational institutions, including EUT+, and representatives from the European Commission to discuss the results of Erasmus+ pilot programs regarding the European Degree label and a possible European legal status for education alliances. Ten (10) Erasmus+ pilot projects, including JEDI, tested the establishment of a European degree and the creation of a possible European legal framework for tertiary education alliances last year, presenting their findings during the event. The proposed European degree aims to simplify the development of joint programs, enhance student opportunities, and promote European identity. Further steps include formal discussions with the EU Council and member states, with ongoing cooperation through the European Degree Policy Laboratory and the Degree Forum. The event took place on April 29, 2024, in Brussels.



MEET EUT+ PEOPLE: Morfo Zembyla

Morfo Zembyla joined the EUT+ family in January 2024, working as a Research Associate at the European Research Office (ERO) where her focus is on developing research-oriented education. As Morfo stated: "EUT+ is an excellent opportunity not only for students but also for staff to collaborate and expand their knowledge in various aspects of research and education. Importantly, EUT+'s members and participants can take advantage of the available resources, including access to cutting-edge technology, state-of-the-art research facilities, and a vast network of experts in various fields."

Morfo completed her BSc in Chemistry at the University of Leicester and continued her studies at the University of Leeds where she received her Master's and PhD degrees in the field of Food Science, specializing in Food Colloids and Emulsions. Her PhD project, which was also patented, was a unique collaboration between academia and industry (Nestlé (UK)). Her constant desire for learning led her to obtain another Master's degree in Business Administration aiming to understand the world of business and unite academic research with industry.

UPCOMING EVENTS- NEWS



EUT+ Darmstadt Week:

The current EUT+ week takes place in Germany at the Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences from May 20th to May 24th, with a particular emphasis on research. The Cyprus University of Technology participates with a delegation of 26 members.



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