



## INSTITUTE OF LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES NEWSLETTER

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### Message from the Director

Esteemed colleagues,

Recently we sent you the invitation to participate at the Preparatory Seminar for the 2nd Summit Latin America and the Caribbean - European Union. This event represents an ISLA initiative, in partnership with the Executive Secretariat of the EU-CELAC Permanent Academic Forum, together with the EU-LAC Foundation and with the support of the Romanian Ministry of Education. Taking as starting point the provisions encompassed by the "Santiago Declaration", this reunion represents the perfect opportunity to develop the guidelines for the debates of the Second CELAC – EU Academic Summit, that will be held in Brussels in 2015.

I take this opportunity to thank those who have already registered at the event and to renew the invitation to all those interested.

Confident that our actions, combined with your support, will lead to the success of the event, please accept, Esteemed colleagues, the assurances of my highest consideration.

JORDAN GHEORGHE BĂRBULESCU

## Preparatory Seminar for the Second EU-LAC Academic Summit

### REGISTRATION AND PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION TOPICS ADDRESSED TO:

Universities, Research and Investigation Centers, from the private and public sectors of the European Union and CELAC member states (Open to all the institutions, even without having previously attended the other reunions or the Academic Summit)

### PRIMARY AIMS OF THIS REUNION:

- Further debating and analyzing the provisions encompassed by the Santiago Declaration, agreed upon during the 1st Academic Summit ALC-UE ( 22nd and 23rd of January 2013). (<http://www.cumbreadacademica-alcue.cl/en/>)
- Exchanging opinions and ideas regarding the EU's new research and education programmes entitled Horizon 2020 and Erasmus Plus
- Discussing and analyzing the progress of the Joint Initiative for Research, Science and Technology CELAC-EU, according to the CELAC-EU Action Plan 2013-2015
- Developing ideas and proposals regarding the current and future cooperation within the Euro-Latin American space, in fields such as higher education, science and technology, that will be later discussed during the Second Academic Summit from 2015



### TOPICS

1. The proposals of the 1st Academic Summit and the Action Plan of the EU-LAC Academic Forum: pathways for follow-up and implementation
2. Preliminary analysis of EU's educational programs UE H2020 and Erasmus Plus.
3. Analysis of the progress made by the Joint Initiative, in accordance with the CELAC-EU Action 2013-2014

### WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP NO. 1: MAPPING OF THE EU-LAC ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION: Models and features. Its main goal is to advance the proposed mapping, as it is specified within the 2013-2015 FAP Action Plan

WORKSHOP NO. 2: THE H2020 AND ERASMUS PLUS PROGRAMS: Preliminary evaluation of their implementation

WORKSHOP NO. 3: PROPOSALS MADE TO ADVANCE THE ACADEMIC CONVERGENCE WITHIN THE EURO-LATIN AMERICAN HIGHER EDUCATION FIELD

### PARTICIPATION

1. The participation to this event is open to all universities, research centers and scientific networks from member countries of the European Union and CELAC (Community of Latin America and the Caribbean).
2. Each participant institution is expected to cover the expenses related to travel, accommodation and internal transfers.
3. The Organizing Committee from Romania will ensure the logistic and administrative support, good coordination of the event's activities and finance the expenses related to all these logistic activities.
4. The Seminar enjoys the support of the Romanian Ministry of Education, the EU-LAC Foundation, the Americas Institute from France, CELARE and other European and Latin American institutions

### HOW TO REGISTER

The institutions that would like to attend this event are required to fill in the [Registration Form](#) and submit it to the following email address :

Email: [contact@isla.eu.com](mailto:contact@isla.eu.com) (CC: [ioana.dodi@isla.eu.com](mailto:ioana.dodi@isla.eu.com))

! The registration form is available on our website: <http://www.isla.eu.com/en/seminar/formular-de-inscriere/>

## Preliminary Programme of the Preparatory Seminar

### MONDAY, MAY 26TH

09:00 – 09:45: Welcoming act:

- Jordan Bărbulescu, Director of the Institute of Latin-American Studies (ISLA), President of the SNSPA Senate
- Jean-Michel Blanquer, President of the Americas Institute (video conference), Senior Director of the ESSEC
- Jorge Valdez, Executive Director of the EU-LAC Foundation
- Jonathan Hatwell, European External Action Service (EEAS)
- Alina Bârgăoanu, Rector of the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA).

09:45 – 10:15: Inaugural Conference:

Remus Pricopie, Minister of National Education of Romania

10:15 – 11:30: Panel 1: The proposals of the 1st Academic Summit and the Action Plan of the EU-LAC Academic Forum: pathways for follow-up and implementation

11:30 – 11:45: Coffee break

11:45 – 13:00: Panel 2: Preliminary evaluation of the EU H2020 and Erasmus Plus programs, the synergy between Higher Education – Research - Innovation

13:00 – 14:30: Lunch

14:30 – 15:45: Panel 3: Joint collaboration between University – Business Companies - Public Sector, aimed to promote innovation and growth

15:45- 16:00: Coffee break

16:00 - 18:30: Scheduled workshops (participation upon prior registration)

- 1- MAPPING OF THE EU-LAC ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION: Models and features. Its main goal is to advance the proposed mapping, as it is specified within the 2013-2015 FAP Action Plan
- 2- THE H2020 AND ERASMUS PLUS PROGRAMS: Preliminary evaluation of their implementation.
- 3- JOINT COLLABORATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITY - BUSINESS COMPANIES – PUBLIC SECTOR, aimed to advance innovation, competitiveness and growth

20:00: Formal dinner

### TUESDAY, MAY 27TH

09:00 – 10:30: Presentations

10:30 – 13:00: Further debating within the assigned workshops:

- 1- MAPPING OF THE EU-LAC ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION: Models and features. Its main goal is to advance the proposed mapping, as it is specified within the 2013-2015 FAP Action Plan
- 2- THE H2020 AND ERASMUS PLUS PROGRAMS: Preliminary evaluation of their implementation.
- 3- JOINT COLLABORATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITY - BUSINESS COMPANIES – PUBLIC SECTOR, aimed to advance innovation, competitiveness and growth

13:00 – 15:00: Lunch

15:00 – 16:00: Workshop conclusions and recommendations

16:00: Closing ceremony

## New calls from our partners



**EULAC FOUNDATION:** Call for Manifestations of Interest: Study on "Gender in the Relations between the EU and Latin America and the Caribbean: State of the Art and Opportunities for Bi-Regional Cooperation". The purpose of this study is to analyse the state of the art on Gender in the European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean, in particular from a bi-regional and action-oriented perspective. It shall focus on the three thematic areas indicated in the EU-CELAC Santiago Action Plan under the chapter on Gender. For further information, please find the detailed call here: <http://eulacfoundation.org/news/new-call-study-gender-eu-lac-relations>.

## A Chronicle of Food and Hunger

The Department of International Relations and the Institute of Latin American Studies in collaboration with the Cervantes Institute in Bucharest, organized, Wednesday, April 2, 2014, the Conference "A Chronicle of food and hunger, supported by ES Mr. Mario Arvelo, Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic to FAO, President of the Committee for Agriculture of the United Nations.

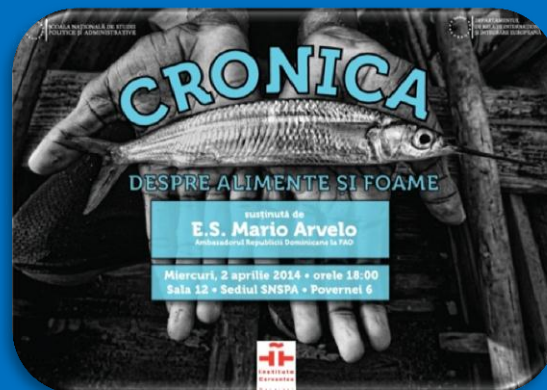
As they gained consciousness and evolved technical skills, the earliest humans sought nutrients by putting knowledge before instinct, while ascending to the pinnacle of the food chain. Humanity began eating in increasing quantity and quality, accelerating its progress towards who we are today.

In slowly realizing how nature works, men and women began to challenge their dependence upon the climate, other animals, and luck. They took up this journey with help from unexplained phenomena: a disk of fire traversing the heavens, the soil nurturing the plants, water falling from the skies... Then, the invention of agriculture opened a gateway to promises of abundance and comfort.

But not all of us enjoy the benefits of this productive revolution: one in six people lack the means to produce or to buy food. Most of the hungry are women and children, and almost all live and die in Africa, in Asia, and in Latin America.

**More information:**

<http://dri.snspp.ro/2014/04/drie-in-colaborare-cu-instituto-cervantes-din-bucuresti-are-placerea-de-a-va-invita-la-conferinta-cronica-despre-alimente-si-foame-sustinuta-de-e-s-dl-mario-arvelo-ambasadorul-republicii-domi/>



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