

# EUA Council for Doctoral Education

The European voice for doctoral education, bringing together a community of academic leaders and professionals



### Who we are

The EUA Council for Doctoral Education (EUA-CDE) was launched in 2008 at the initiative of the European University Association, responding to a growing interest in doctoral education and research training in Europe. We are now the largest European network in this field, covering more than 30 countries and bringing together a community of academic leaders and professionals from over 230 universities awarding doctoral degrees and related institutions.

# Our objective

EUA-CDE aims to strengthen the doctoral research capacity of European universities, allowing them to attract and shape talented early-stage researchers in a competitive and global environment. By promoting collaboration and exchange of good practices among our members and disseminating the outcomes of our work, we make an important contribution to the development of doctoral education and research training in Europe.

## Five reasons to join

#### 1. Exchange good practices

Learn about the latest good practices in doctoral education from across Europe

2. Strengthen your network

Expand your network with our community of academic leaders and professionals from more than 30 European countries

3. Gain access to expertise on doctoral school development We bring together a community with know-how on supporting doctoral schools for universities at different stages of development

#### 4. Enhance your doctoral research capacity

Develop your university's capacity to attract and shape talented early-stage researchers in a competitive and global environment

#### 5. Speak with a strong voice

Together with our European network of more than 230 universities, have your voice heard on the European policy level

"Doctoral researchers are vital to the production of knowledge and to challenging the status quo. Focused on improving doctoral education in Europe, our engagement extends from university leadership to those involved in the day-to-day delivery of doctoral programmes and supervision."

Luke Georghiou, University of Manchester, Chair of the EUA-CDE Steering Committee



EUA-CDE strives to be an inclusive community of academic leaders and professionals. We welcome membership applications from all European universities awarding doctoral degrees and institutions working on issues related to doctoral education and research training.

### What we offer

EUA-CDE actively promotes collaboration through exchange of policies and good practices, guided by the outcomes of our policy and project work. A yearly cycle of activities and events brings together our community of academic leaders and professionals, including:

#### A thematic workshop

A platform for our members to collaborate and exchange policies and good practices related to current trends and future challenges for doctoral education (January)

#### An annual meeting

Provides our members the opportunity to discuss doctoral education and build new partnerships with European and national policy makers, funding organisations, quality assurance agencies, global partners and other relevant stakeholders (June)

#### A global forum

Offers our members a global perspective and reflection on European developments by bringing together academic leaders and professionals from other parts of the world (every two years)

#### Focus groups and webinars

An opportunity for our members to learn from a group of experts on policies and practices related to doctoral education, gathering to discuss and disseminate their know-how (twiceyearly, spring and autumn)



To become a member or find out more, visit www.eua-cde.org

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