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Dear Readers, we bring you the fourth edition of the T4EU newsletter. If you would like to express your opinion, ask a question, or suggest changes, please contact us at transform4europe@us.edu.pl.

NEW INITIATIVES

→ **TRANSFORM4EUROPE LAUNCHES REACH OUT PODCAST**

The Transform4Europe Alliance is proud to present the *Reach Out* podcast. This monthly podcast series brings together the voices of 11 universities across Europe. Each episode will focus on key topics shaping the future, focusing on T4EU's three core areas. Listen to episodes [one](#) and [two](#).

→ **T4EU JOINED FOREU4ALL**

The T4EU Alliance is now part of the FOREU4ALL Community! The community is officially up and running, bringing together all 64 European University alliances along with student organisations and university associations. [Click here to learn more.](#)



Saarland University
Germany



University of Alicante
Spain

EKA

Estonian Academy of Arts
Estonia



University of Silesia in Katowice
Poland



Sofia University
"St. Kliment Ohridski"
Bulgaria



University of Trieste
Italy



Vytautas Magnus
University
Lithuania



Universidade Católica
Portuguesa
Portugal



University of Primorska
Slovenia



Jean Monnet University
France



Mariupol State University
Ukraine (associated partner)

→ **INTRODUCING MOBILITY WINDOWS IN T4EU ALLIANCE**

Mobility Windows are designated periods within study programmes for international mobility. The initiative aims to enhance student mobility by integrating international experiences directly into academic programmes, helping students gain valuable cross-border experiences during their studies. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **T4EU TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME**

This programme encompasses four in-person seminars and 10 online training programmes that address the main challenges faced by high-level leaders in universities. The seminars will cover topics such as Global Leadership, Sustainability Challenges, Responsible Leadership, and Challenges from AI. Each seminar will last 9 hours, over two days. [Click here to discover the full offer.](#)

→ **CONNECT4RESEARCH – YOUR GATEWAY TO COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH**

Are you looking to expand your professional network and find the perfect research partner? The new Connect4Research tool is here to help! Ideal for young researchers and PhD candidates within the T4EU Alliance, the tool facilitates matchmaking between potential collaborators. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

The University of Alicante (UA) is launching a new double degree Master's programme in collaboration with two partner universities: the University of Trieste (Italy) and Jean Monnet University (France). Catch two fish with one net and strengthen your academic and professional profile in the field of AI. [Click here to learn more.](#)

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

→ **BACHELOR TRACKS FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2024/2025**

The brand new T4EU Course Offer at Bachelor Level for spring/summer 2025 is up and running. As a T4EU student, you can choose from dozens of diverse courses. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING | NEW WEBINARS**

The Transform4Europe Alliance has developed various innovative training materials in the form of short online training units (webinars). The training sessions take place in January and February 2025. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **PEDAGOGICAL WORKSHOPS ON SERVICE-LEARNING AND INNOVATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

Universidade Católica Portuguesa, in collaboration with the Transform4Europe Alliance, promotes four online workshops concerning pedagogical innovation, active learning and service-learning, taking place between 20 and 30 January. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **LETTERS. HERITAGE. IDENTITIES ROUND TABLE & MATCHMAKING EVENT**

Hosted by Sofia University 'St. Kliment Ohridski' on 28–30 January 2025, this three-day event will explore the connections between writing systems, cultural heritage, and identity. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **THE GLAGOLITIC ALPHABET - THE FORGOTTEN ALPHABET OF EUROPE**

Taking place on 28 January 2025, the event will share insights related to the Glagolitic tradition and the role of the Glagolitic script as a shared platform for the peoples of Central and Southern Europe, as well as its history and artistic interpretations. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **SOCIETAL TRANSFORMATION: POPULISM. RISING (NEO)NATIONALISM. EUROSCEPTICISM**

This initiative offers an opportunity to explore these critical societal issues through teaching, research exchanges, and public talks, while fostering collaboration and academic excellence across European universities. Apply by 31 January 2025, [click here to learn more.](#)

→ **INTERNATIONAL T4EU CONFERENCE 'PROF-SYNERGY'**

Taking place on 9–10 April 2025 at Vytautas Magnus University, the Conference aims to foster a more profound synergy between the academic and non-academic staff. Apply by 31 January 2025, [click here to learn more.](#)

→ **INTRODUCING ANOTHER SYNERGY TRACK - DIGICREA**

We're excited to share that the Digicrea Programme is now available as part of our Synergy Tracks at Transform4Europe! Co-created by Jean Monnet University, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, and the University of Silesia, this innovative master's program aims to prepare students for the future of audiovisual content creation by blending artistic vision with technical expertise. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **INTRODUCING AOUAMATICS**

We are excited to announce the launch of Aquamatics, a brand-new Synergy Track focused on the Interdisciplinary Management of Water Environments. This innovative programme is a collaboration between academic experts from the

University of Silesia in Katowice, Vytautas Magnus University, and the University of Trieste, aiming to address the urgent need for specialists in water science. [Click here to learn more.](#)

PAST EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

→ **A KICK-OFF MEETING OF THE DIGICREA PROJECT**

The kick-off meeting of the 'Digital Creativity Art&Science European Master' DIGICREA project was held on 2-3 December 2024. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **TRANSFORM4EUROPE AT TELETHON UDINE: RUNNING FOR A CAUSE!**

24 participants from the Transform4Europe team at the University of Trieste joined the Telethon Udine 24x1 Hour Relay Race, taking place from 30 November to 1 December. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **THE UA SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDES T4EU EVENT ON MEDITERRANEAN IDENTITY AND HERITAGE**

The University of Alicante (UA) organised its first regional cultural heritage workshop entitled 'Mediterranean Identity and Heritage: Origins, evolution, and inclusivity'. The event brought together academics, researchers, and professionals to analyse and reflect on the cultural richness and historical evolution of the Mediterranean area. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **3RD SCIENCE CAFÉ**

The University of Alicante organised the Science Café that explored how Augmented Reality (AR) is revolutionising the way we preserve and present cultural heritage. [Click here to learn more.](#)

→ **T4EU TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME (WP5.4)**

The first webinar within the Transformational Leadership Programme enhanced managerial skills, covering group vs. team dynamics, team life cycle stages, and synergy factors. Participants also assessed leadership and research competencies using online tools. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **MEETING OF TRANSFORM4EUROPE ALLIANCE REPRESENTATIVES**

The representatives met during the conference on 'Christianity in Europe. Questions on Unity' taking place in Katowice on 4-7 November 2024. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **2ND SCIENCE CAFÉ**

The City of Trieste hosted the T4EU's 2nd Science Café on 29 September, as part of the 13th Trieste Next Science Festival. The event delved into the intriguing world of AI digital companions. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **NEBAP HUB AND NEBA ALLIANCE EVENTS ACROSS EUROPE**

The NEBAP Hub, a renowned centre for sustainable built environments, has successfully acquired a major project entitled 'New European Bauhaus Academy Alliance – NEBA Alliance', chaired by the University of Primorska as the lead partner. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **TRANSFORM4EUROPE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING**

The training sessions catered to and fostered various skills that may have been of use for every academic or/and non-academic staff member from across the Alliance. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **T4EU EVENTS IN KATOWICE AND CIESZYN**

5 days full of various events, each with a different array of activities. There was the time for [a warm welcome](#), matters related to [the presidency and diplomacy](#), but also [culture, heritage and... pierogies](#). Before the [official farewell](#), participants could enjoy a few [excursions and cover the topic of accessibility](#).

→ **MARIUPOL STATE UNIVERSITY CENTRE OPENED AT UNIVERSITY OF SILESIA**

The Mariupol State University Centre at the University of Silesia was officially opened on 22 October 2024. The Centre is to take actions to strengthen and foster collaboration between the two universities in terms of science and education. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **USIL HANDED THE T4EU PRESIDENCY OVER TO VMU**

Read about what has happened during the USil Presidency, and discover VMU's action plan for the coming year – [click here.](#)

→ **VMU OPENS NEW T4EU ALLIANCE PREMISES IN LITHUANIA**

The new spaces will become an important hub for T4EU project activities, discussions, and the exchange of ideas. The facilities will support the creation, growth, and pursuit of common goals among alliance members. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **1ST T4EU SERVICE-LEARNING WORKSHOP**

The first Transform4Europe Service-Learning workshop took place between 29 and 30 October at Universidade Católica Portuguesa. [Click here to read more.](#)

→ **T4EU SCIENCE COMMUNICATION COURSES: AROUND WRITING SERIES**

Taking place online on 23, 29, and 31 October by Universidade Católica Portuguesa, the Science Communication Courses were aimed at increasing the creation and consumption of scientific content and equipped participants with the tools to effectively communicate their research to the public. [Click here to read more.](#)

INTERVIEWS

→ **THE MORE THE MERRIER**

'Studying at one university provides many resources and opportunities, and at two – twice as many,' says Edgaras Dambrauskas – a doctoral student at the first-ever joint doctoral programme between two T4EU partners. [Click here to read the interview](#) and discover how much you can grow when seizing the opportunities given by the T4EU Alliance!

→ **A STORY OF GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY**

Matteo Commellato, a Master's student in Environmental and Nature Sciences and Technologies at the University of Trieste (UniTS), shares how the Alliance has profoundly shaped his academic and personal growth. [Click here to read the article.](#)

T4ERI

→ **T4ERI PROJECT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED**

We are pleased to announce the successful completion of the T4ERI project. Over the last three years, T4ERI has contributed to an increased collaboration in Research & Innovation across the Transform4Europe alliance. [Click here to read more.](#)