











"Future of Higher Education - Bologna Process Researchers' Conference FOHE-BPRC 2011

17-19 October 2011, Bucharest, Romania

Dear Sir/ Madam,

On behalf of the Ministry of Education, Research, Youth and Sport and the Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation (UEFISCDI) we are delighted to invite you to the "Future of Higher Education – Bologna Process Researchers' Conference (FOHE – BPRC 2011)", which will be held in Bucharest on 17 -19 October.

The "Future of Higher Education - Bologna Process Researchers' Conference" (FOHE-BPRC) aims at covering both the theoretic research activities with a focus on the Bologna Process and its effects, as well as the efforts made to define the framework under which the European Higher Education Area(EHEA) tools could be implemented at the national level.

The event wishes to bring together higher education researchers, leading academics, students and policy makers that have either conducted research activities surrounding the Bologna Process/EHEA or are simply interested in the history and evolution of the process, as well as its possible future. The conference is open to all those that have been involved in the establishment of the EHEA or may have an interest regarding the Romanian structural projects in higher education, as an example of how to set the frame under which Bologna reforms can be implemented.

The "Future of Higher Education - Bologna Process Researchers' Conference" will have two main thematic tracks: one on the research activities with a focus on core Bologna Process/EHEA issues (such as teaching and learning, quality assurance, mobility, access) and the other thematic track with an emphasis on framework issues, with a case study focusing on Romanian structural projects developed by UEFISCDI (Unitatea Executiva pentru Finantarea Invatamantului Superior, a Cercetarii, Dezvoltarii si Inovarii/Executive Agency for Higher Education and Research, Development and Innovation Funding) (such as governance, financing and diversification). Both tracks underpin the successful implementation of numerous Bologna Process priority agenda items. The conference will feature research paper presentations, reaction papers and debates on the two thematic tracks mentioned above.

Conference participation is free of charge, however please note that travel and accommodation expenses are in the responsibility of the participants.

To register for the conference and find out additional details, please visit the following website: http://fohe-bprc.forhe.ro. Please register by 15 September 2011 at http://fohe-bprc.forhe.ro/register.html. Should you need assistance in finding a nearby hotel, please contact Luciana Bratu, International Programmes Coordinator at luciana.bratu@uefiscdi.ro.

We look forward to meeting you in Bucharest on 17-19 October and to a fruitful conference,

Peter Scott, Lazar Vlasceanu, Adrian Curaj and Lesley Wilson Members of the FOHE-BPRC Editorial Board