

# RISE 2022

## September 1-3th,2022

### "Lazur" Holiday House , Sozopol, Bulgaria

# Re-Imagining Higher Education through Equity, Inclusion, and Sustainability

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Higher education today is going through a period of transformative change. The challenges of our times – sustainability, equity, inclusion – find expression in higher education institutions through student demands for inclusion, government expectations that higher education institutions will lead on the green agenda, and staff expectations of equity in the workplace.

The European University of Technology embeds an agenda for a change in the higher education model, offering flexibility of study, and collaboration across national partners. It is timely, then, to reimagine the higher education model in the context of the global transformations being experienced in higher education institutions. These transformations are values-led, grounded in social and climate justice. There are counter-cultures emerging too, such as the challenge to academic freedom posed by limitations on the teaching of critical theory subjects, gender and race in particular. This conference provides an opportunity for paper-givers and panellists to reflect on the contexts in which a positive re-imagining of higher education occurs, the relevance of sustainability, equity and inclusion for this transformative change, and the opportunities and challenges for higher education institutions as they grow into the 21st century.

## TOPICS

1. Explore the impact of different cultural contexts that shape higher education transformation today, and the creation of strategies, policies and plans for a sustainable, equitable and inclusive model of higher education;
2. Discuss the form inclusive leadership takes in the modern higher education landscape;
3. Address issues of justice, and their intersectionality with historic legacies of injustice, and institutional responses in higher education;
4. Consider the intersection of inclusion and the green/climate agenda, and how they can reinforce one another in the higher education context
5. Assess the utility of EU diversity charters, and other European initiatives to foster inclusive societies.
6. Share innovative and inclusive teaching approaches and pedagogies;
7. Re-imagine higher education through 'whole of education' and 'whole of society' perspectives;
8. Evaluate the commitment in higher education to the 2030 Sustainable Goals agenda, with reference to (among others);
9. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages;
10. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all;
11. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls;
12. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all;
13. Reduce inequality within and among countries;
14. Peace, justice and strong institutions.

## Steering committee

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## Important dates

Extended Abstract of 1500 word:30 April 2022  
Notification for acceptance of abstract:15 May 2022  
Deadline for full paper:30 June 2022  
Early bird registration: 01 August 2022  
Author registration deadline:01 September 2022

## Paper submission

Please send your abstract on e-mail: [info@rise2022.eu](mailto:info@rise2022.eu)  
Full paper should be submitted as the template on the site: [rise2022.eu](http://rise2022.eu)  
Language: Official language of the conference is English

## Publication

All accepted paper will be published at conference proceedings. We are also exploring the possibility of a journal special issue. It is therefore important that papers intended for presentation at the conference are complete. The proceedings review process and selection for the journal special issue will take place immediately after the conference. All completed papers uploaded by the deadline will be considered for one of the two publication outlets.

## Registration fee

On-site  
Regular participant-150 EUR  
PhD Student -100 EUR  
Accompanying person-50 EUR  
Online participation -50 EUR

## Conference venue

Rise will be held at Technical University of Sofia ,Bulgaria.

## Exhibition and sponsorship opportunities

Sponsors will benefit of company, name, and logo (hyperlinked) on RISE 2022 website, recognition at RISE 2022 program promotional material in attendee bags, exhibition booths, banners in conference sessions, complimentary registration