

## 2016 Task Force Work plan – Task Force Summer Schools

### Planned meetings during 2016 (dates and locations if known)

- 1) Hull
- 2) t. b. decided

### Planned activity for 2016

- 1) Global societal challenges (September 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 in Rimini):

The Academic Committee of the so-called ‘Human Rights’ school’ would like to pursue their joint activities by organising Ph.D. series.

It will be a continuation of the format but for another audience: same approach (interdisciplinary), theme (‘Global societal Challenges’); intensity changed (one week).

The plan is to apply with the Utrecht Network for some seeding money (€10.000) to finance a pilot year.

The pilot will be organised by a joint Bologna/Antwerp team, and will take place in September in Rimini.

The target group are Ph.D. students already engaged in their research (2<sup>nd</sup> year) in order to bring their research in the workshops and discussion with peers. The size of the group will be about 15 doctoral candidates, allowing in-depth discussions and direct personal contacts.

The Academic Committee will remain as it is; it is open to more members if UN partners show interest (Hull was present at the AC meeting in Antwerp in July).

But also closer cooperation with partners outside Europe (MAUI already participating) can be envisaged.

The Ph.D. series will be announced at the (existing) website and through the UN website.

- 2) Professional English (June 27<sup>th</sup> – July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Hull):

The Summer School will be offered in a more consistent way (focus on language classes for academic purposes and related areas based on the feedback received from participants in 2015).

### Budget requested for 1 January 2016 – 31 March 2017

€7,000

2016 planned activities mapped against the Strategic Plan

<b>Goals from the Strategic Plan (FORCES)</b>	<b>Task Force Activities/Achievements 2015</b>
Foster internationalisation of education	Short-term programmes per se add to curricula of universities.
Open up to new forms of cooperation	Continuation of the new format offering short term programmes also for young academics and doctoral students.
Respond actively to European HE policies	
Collaborate effectively within the Network	Students and teaching as well administrative staff of member institutions who took part, taught at and organised the two schools developed a team spirit which could serve as a basis for further collaboration.
Enhance internationalisation processes in member institutions	The improvement of the English proficiency among newly hired staff and doctoral candidates will result in the improvement of quality in education in English at the member institutions.
Strengthen the profile and global outlook of the Network	External participation of partner networks and other universities improve the visibility of the UN as an agent for innovation.

València, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015