

## **EUA GREEN DEAL TASK-AND-FINISH GROUP – CALL FOR MEMBERS**

EUA has opened a call for expressions of interest for its new Green Deal task-and-finish group.

Guided by the recently launched <u>vision paper</u> on universities and the Green Deal, the group will develop a roadmap of activities to boost the visibility of the university sector in this policy area. It will reflect and advise on possible short and long term priorities for the EUA, including deliverables for advocacy, policy monitoring, and capacity building for members.

Strategic reflection around these goals will be driven by a basic distinction between 1. what universities can offer to the ultimate success of the Green Deal, and 2. what they need in order to play their role most effectively. Within these parameters, the group should be able to identify:

- areas where university expertise and capabilities are readily available but must be better reflected in policy frameworks (e.g., via targeted advocacy and awareness raising by EUA);
- areas where university expertise and capabilities are only partly available and where sector-wide
  interventions and support actions can improve this situation (e.g., via best practice sharing among
  EUA members and/or recommendations to EU and national policy makers).

The identification of these areas and of possible follow-up actions will translate into an outline of steps by which EUA could enable universities to co-create the Green Deal as critical stakeholders. The focus will be both external, on how universities could better align with, and deliver on, Green Deal objectives, and internal, on how they could better benefit from the Green Deal.

Accordingly, the group will formulate strategic thinking and assess the importance and feasibility of different deliverables as they relate to improving the visibility of universities in the Green Deal and to fostering the prerequisites for engagement with policy makers and stakeholders. Based on the vision paper and the four pillars of the <u>EUA Strategic Plan</u>, this will take the form of a roadmap for approval by the EUA Board and Council, as well as for publication and online dissemination via an EUA webinar. Group members will also be called upon to support policy monitoring and the establishment of a network of contacts for EUA, while further input may be needed for new products or initiatives like EUA surveys or publications.

Group members must demonstrate knowledge of the Green Deal related to one or more of the issues listed above, experience in research, education and innovation on such issues, and knowledge of national and preferably European debates, policy processes and agendas regarding the Green Deal.

Candidates are invited to send a short cover letter and a CV to the EUA Secretariat (sergiu.matei.lucaci@eua.eu) by 28 April.

The EUA Board will select and appoint group members for a period of one year in accordance with the attached Terms of Reference.

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