

III Mediterranean University Forum
Malta, June 8th – 10th, 2006
Venue of Forum: San Gorg Corinthia Hotel, St. Julians

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Thursday 8th June:

Arrival of Participants

From 16.00 Registration

18:00 Opening of Forum and Project Souk
Director, European Unit, University of Malta
Executive Director, Anna Lindh Euro-Mediterranean Foundation
Representative of the British Council
Rector, University of Malta
Rector, Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Spain
Representative of the European Commission
Minister of Education & Culture, Malta

20:00 Welcome reception

Friday 9th June

09:00-11.00 **Jean Monnet Roundtable**

The Euro- Mediterranean Area: a joint north-south professional challenge

Chairperson: Dr. Traugott Schoefthaler, Executive Director, Anna Lindh
Euro-Mediterranean foundation for the Dialogue between Cultures

Professional challenges in the Mediterranean area. The demands of the knowledge society

Speaker: Dr. Assia Bensalah Alaoui, University Mohamed V Rabat, Co-President of the
Prodi Groupe des Sages

The Southern Mediterranean professional demands: Europe meets the Southern challenges.

New curricula in the Mediterranean area

Speaker: to be confirmed

The role of universities in building a strong Euro-Mediterranean research area

Speaker: Professor Richard Gillespie, University of Liverpool

*Developing a Euro-Mediterranean Universities' strategy – Image projection and
reputation management*

Speaker: Professor Nabil Ayad, Director, The Diplomatic Academy of London, University
of Westminster

- 11:00-11:30 Coffee Break
- 11:30-12:00 *Presentation on the Tarragona Declaration - the Action Plan for the establishment of a Euro-Mediterranean Higher Education Area*
Prof. Enric Olivé Serret, Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Spain
- 12:00–12:30 Reactions to Tarragona Declaration – networking space for the development of concrete proposals.
- 12:30-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-15:30 **Jean Monnet Roundtable**
The European Educational Programmes and their Euro-Mediterranean Dimension
Chairperson: Dr. Charis Xirouchakis, Council of the European Union

Tempus and Erasmus Mundus
Speaker: *tbc*

Participation in the Tempus Programme
Speaker: Angelika Sachsenroeder, Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD)
Head of Section, TEMPUS/EU-Third Country Cooperation

Education and Diplomacy, Bridging the Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue
Speaker: Dr. Stephen Calleya, Director, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies, University of Malta

Other Regional Initiatives
Speakers to be announced

- 15:30-16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:00- 17:30 *Quality Assurance in North –South Collaboration*
Chairperson: University of Malta

Dr. Abdouli Touhami, President, Kadmous University, Syria
2nd speaker to be confirmed
- 20:00 Reception hosted by the British Council
Courtesy Visit by H.E. Dr. Edward Fenech Adami,
President of Malta (tbc)

Saturday 10th June

9:00-10:00 Breakfast Meeting
Lifelong Learning academy for interuniversity draft project writers- An Activity emerging from the Action Plan of the Tarragona Declaration
Chair: Professor Henry Frendo, University of Malta
Speaker: Professor Giuseppe Giliberti, Università' di Urbino Carlo Bo, Italy

10:00-11:30 **Jean Monnet Roundtable**
The creation of a Euro-Mediterranean Area of Higher Education
Chairperson: Prof. Ahmed Nouredine Helal, President of the University of Sousse, Tunisia

The Euro-Mediterranean Area of Higher Education: Key factor for social and economic cooperation – the Catania Declaration
Speaker: tbc

The role of student organizations in the creation of a Euro-Mediterranean Area of Higher Education Presentation by ESIB and Report from Mednet meeting

The Lisbon Strategy and the Bologna Process: Evaluation and challenge for the South
Speaker: Pavel Zgaga, University of Ljubljana

Cultural Diplomacy in the Euro-Mediterranean Region
Speaker: H.E. Dr. Vicky Ann Cremona, Maltese Ambassador to France

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

11:30-12:00 Signature of the Tarragona Declaration by new participating Institutions and Organisations.

12:00-12:30 Implementation of activities discussed during the III Mediterranean University Forum

12.30-12.45 Closing address and information regarding the IV Mediterranean University Forum
Speaker: Rector, University of Malta

12:30-13:00 Closing address
Hon. Dr. Michael Frendo, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Malta

13:00 Departure from hotel

13:30-18:00 Lunch followed by cultural tour

Sunday 11th June - Departure of participants