



Ministry of Science
and Higher Education
Republic of Poland

CONFERENCE ON THE MODERNISATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Sopot, 23-25 October 2011

Venue:

Sheraton Hotel, Sopot

Preliminary programme

Sunday, 23 October	
Evening	Participants' arrival Registration at the hotel reception
19:00 – 22:00	Welcome dinner at Sheraton Hotel
Monday, 24 October	
9:00 - 9:30	Participants' arrival Registration at the hotel reception
9:30 -10:30	Opening session <i>Official Welcome and Opening speech by Prof. Barbara Kudrycka, Minister of Science and Higher Education Conference host – Representative of the authorities of the Pomerania Region Speech by Mr Jan Truszczyński, Director General for Education, Training, Culture and Youth, European Commission</i>
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-12:00	Plenary session <i>Prof. Marek Kwiek, Director, Center for Public Policy Studies, Poznan University, Poland, Keynote Speech: "The Growing Complexity of the Academic Enterprise: Challenges Ahead" Prof. Maria Helena Nazaré, European University Association</i>

12:15-14:00	Conference Lunch
14:00-15:30	<p>2 parallel workshops</p> <p>1. European Higher Education on the World Stage</p> <p><i>Prof. André Sapir, Brueghel, Université libre de Bruxelles</i> <i>Prof. Marek Rocki, Senator, Rector of Warsaw School of Economics (1999 – 2005)</i> <i>Prof. Pavel Zgaga, University of Ljubljana</i></p> <p>2. Social Dimension: Making higher education more attractive to all and opening up to non-traditional learners</p> <p><i>Prof. Brenda Gourley, Non Executive Director of AdvTech Limited, previously Vice-Chancellor of the Open University in The United Kingdom</i> <i>Prof. Petr Mateju, University of Finance and Administration in Prague</i> <i>Dr Dominik Antonowicz, Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun</i></p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-17:30	<p>2 parallel workshops</p> <p>3. Ensuring Quality: excellence, quality and relevance</p> <p><i>Prof. Georg Winckler, University of Vienna</i> <i>Prof. Andrzej Kraśniewski, Warsaw University of Technology</i> <i>Prof. Peter Maassen, University of Oslo</i></p> <p>4. Funding Universities: Diversification and Good Governance</p> <p><i>Dr Ben Jongbloed, Center for Higher Education Policy Studies, University of Twente</i> <i>Dr Paul Temple, University of London</i> <i>Dr Maria Hulicka, Jagiellonian University</i></p>
17:30	Closure
19:00-22:00	Conference Dinner with Cultural Programme

Tuesday, 25 October

9:00	Registration
9:00-10:00	Workshop reports
10:00-10:30	Coffee break
10:30-11:30	<i>Debate on Communication with stakeholders, experts, policy makers</i> <i>Pavel Zgaga, University of Ljubljana</i> <i>Jordi Curell, Director, DG Education and Culture, European Commission</i> <i>Alan Päll, European Students' Union</i> <i>Lesley Wilson, European University Association</i>
11:30-12:00	Coffee break
12:00-12:45	Conclusion and closure
13:00-14:30	Conference Lunch