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CALL FOR SELECTION
EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for Students: Discovery week
November 13 - 17, 2024

CY Cergy Paris Université, Cergy, France

PREAMBLE

EUTOPIA is a challenge-led, student-centred, inclusive alliance of 10 like-minded universities. Our mission is to connect communities across our campuses in order to transform our universities into open, inclusive, diverse, and innovative enablers for outreach impact on societies. Our approach fosters emergence and innovation, and our shared commitments provide the coherence of our common efforts to ensure that EUTOPIA is geared towards the challenges of the future; student-centred and student-empowering; committed to the principles of openness and inclusion; at the service of society.

PURPOSE OF THE CALL AND GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. This call aims to select a total of 8 students from Ca' Foscari University of Venice. The other partners of the EUTOPIA Alliance are: Babeş-Bolyai University, **Romania**; Vrije Universiteit Brussel, **Belgium**; CY Cergy Paris Université, **France**; Technische Universität Dresden, **Germany**; University of Gothenburg, **Sweden**; University of Ljubljana, **Slovenia**; NOVA University Lisbon, **Portugal**; Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, **Spain**; The University of Warwick, **United Kingdom**, Stellenbosch University, **South-Africa**.
2. The “**Innovation challenges for students: discovery week**” will be held in person form November 13 - 17, 2024 at Cergy, hosted by Cy Cergy Paris Université (hereinafter: CY). The official language of the event is English.
3. “Innovation Challenges” are based on the “Open Innovation Challenge” developed in the first pilot project “EUTOPIA 2050” (2019-2022), to enhance opportunities with local and regional business and industry building. EUTOPIA commits to connect and enhance expanded forms of local and regional engagement through collaborative partnerships and challenge-based initiatives, promoting regional collaboration for integration and social cohesion, with a strong focus on civic engagement and collaboration with local stakeholders capitalising on the potentialities of our creative

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environments and stimulate cross-disciplinary work, enhancing our portfolio of educational and research activities.

4. The “**Innovation challenges for students: Discovery Week**” is a hackathon in presence, which aims to promote students local engagement through collaborative partnerships and challenge-based initiatives with stakeholders from public and private sectors to address real problems, taking advantage of the potentialities of creative environments to stimulate a cross-disciplinary work. The hackathon will involve local and national businesses and enterprises based in France.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must be undergraduate (BA), postgraduate students (MA) from all degree disciplines, regularly enrolled at Ca' Foscari University of Venice..
2. The selected candidates must hold the above-mentioned status, both at the moment of application, as well as when the event will take place. The EUTOPIA Unit at Ca' Foscari University of Venice must be informed timely of any possible change in their status.
3. The entire application and all its annexes shall be written in English.
4. Applicants shall submit a full application, composed of the following mandatory documents:
 - 4.a.the Application form (Annex 1):
 - a.i. their motivation to attend the *Innovation challenges for students: discovery week* (maximum 200 words): they need to describe the reasons for their interest in participating, the expected outcomes of their participation and the strengths of their candidature;
 - a.ii. their knowledge of the EUTOPIA Alliance (maximum 200 words);
 - 4.b.CV, written in English language;
 - 4.c.certificate of English language: any certificate can be accepted, however candidates holding an internationally recognised certification will have a priority. The list of international certifications recognised by Ca' Foscari University of Venice is available at the following link: <https://www.unive.it/pag/40609/?L=1>.
5. Applications shall be saved as a single PDF document (including the academic CV, the language certificate, etc.) and named as follows:
InnovationChallenge_Surname_Name.pdf
6. Prior knowledge or experience of a specific topic or sector is not necessary.
7. Ineligibility:
 - 4.d.if, at any stage in the application procedure, it is established that the information provided by the applicant has been knowingly falsified, the candidate will be disqualified from the selection process.





- 4.e. students already in a mobility abroad financed by any Erasmus+ programme at the moment of the implementation of the activity, cannot be considered eligible.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE

1. Applicants must log in using their institutional account (*matricola@stud.unive.it*) and submit their application form using the following Google Form: <https://bit.ly/3SDc77r>
2. Personal data collected through the Google Form will be processed by Ca' Foscari University of Venice as described below in the data protection section.
3. Deadline: **September 22nd 2024**. Any application received after the deadline will not be considered.

Applications will be rejected in the following cases:

- submission after the deadline;
- student lacking the requirements (see "Admission Requirements");
- applications lacking the requirements or missing any mandatory document (see "Admission Requirements");
- student not regularly enrolled.

SELECTION PROCESS

Selection

A selection committee will be established at Ca' Foscari University of Venice. An interview to assess the candidate's motivation and knowledge of English could be scheduled.

The final ranking will be published on Ca' Foscari website and selected students will be contacted via email by eutopia@unive.it to confirm their participation according to the calendar established. Candidates who fail to confirm according to the deadlines and procedures forfeit the right to participate. A repechage procedure shall be scheduled for any places still available.

Calendar

- Deadline for applications: September 22nd 2024.
- Interview (if scheduled): September 26th – 27th 2024.
- Publication of selected candidates: October 1st 2024.
- Deadline for acceptance and confirmation of participation: October 3rd 2024.

SELECTION CRITERIA



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Ca' Foscari University of Venice selection committee will select students according to the following criteria:

- Knowledge of the EUTOPIA Alliance: up to 10 points
- Motivation of the candidate: up to 10 points.
- CV and suitability of the candidate: up to 10 points
- Knowledge of English: up to 10 points
- Interview (if scheduled): up to 10 points.

In case of a high number of applications received, candidates evaluated with at least 30 points out of 40 will be invited to a final interview.

OBLIGATIONS OF SELECTED STUDENTS

Selected students will have to attend and actively participate in the “Innovation Challenges for students: Discovery week” held in Cergy on 13-17th of November 2024.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Ca' Foscari University of Venice will cover accommodation and travel (travel ticket, accommodation and meals, based on its own regulations). All these costs will be covered by Ca' Foscari using the EUTOPIA MORE funds.

DATA PROTECTION

Data protection information - Selection procedure

Ca' Foscari University of Venice (protocollo@pec.unive.it, Dorsoduro n. 3246, 30123 Venice), in its capacity as data controller, provides the applicants with information on the processing of their personal data collected to carry out the selection procedures for the *Innovation challenges for students: discovery week, Companies based Hackathon for students (“Event”)*. The event will be held at CY on November 13-17, 2024.

The University collects applicants' personal data, such as name, surname, contact details, academic experiences and other relevant information.

Applicants' personal data will be stored for 5 years from the time of collection.

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Personal data is collected and processed to select the students that wish to take part in the Event. **Only personal data of selected candidates will be shared with CY as it is necessary for the organisation of the event.**

Data protection information - Organisation of the event

CY Cergy Paris Université (CY), located at 33, Boulevard du Port, 95011 Cergy-Pontoise (France), acts as the entity responsible for personal data. CY collects and processes personal data for the purpose of registering individuals and facilitating their participation in the "EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for Students: Discovery week" event. Only authorised personnel (individuals involved in organising the event) and CY employees have access to the data provided by applicants. This information will be retained for the duration of the event and subsequently, in accordance with applicable legal provisions. For more information regarding the processing of personal data at CY, please refer to the "Legal notice CY Cergy Paris University", available at the following link: <https://www.cyu.fr/en/legal-notice>.

Consent for processing your image through photo and video means

During the event "*Innovation challenges for students: discovery week*" the organiser will capture photos and videos for the purpose of promoting the event. The photos and videos will be shared with the other EUTOPIA Partners and published on their website as well as social media platforms. Personal data in the form of images will be collected and processed only by authorised individuals within CY, responsible for organising the event as well as the personnel and other authorised subjects of the EUTOPIA's Partners with whom the photos were shared with. In order to process images (photo and video), applicants' Consent is required. Photos will be retained for a maximum of 5 years from the time of collection. Granting consent for this processing of personal data (photo and video) is not a mandatory condition for applicants' participation in the event.

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MORE INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Responsible for the procedure

Dr. Mauro Cannone, Manager of Educational Programmes and Student Services Area, is responsible for the procedure, according to Law n. 241/1990.

For further information, please contact: eutopia@unive.it

Venice,

The Rector
Prof. Tiziana Lippiello

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