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Dear all,

As we step into Spring, the world around us begins to transform. The days grow longer, and nature awakens. Spring is a nice reminder that renewal is always possible, and that fresh beginnings might be just around the corner.

We hope you have this spirit of renewal in mind as we enter the second phase of the EU GREEN project.

Since the launch of the alliance, clusters have been at the core of our work in connecting research between our nine universities, but also infusing other areas of university's life. As we move forward, we hope to support clusters in passing this pivotal point during which the clusters grow bigger and stronger. They have been designed as open places for discussions and new connections, open to all thematics and we wish to strengthen this thematic opening.

The 3rd Research Week in June in Parma will be the occasion for seasoned participants and newcomers alike to get together, discuss collectively, and build the next steps of our alliance together.

EU GREEN Research Team

April webinars



Nature Based Solutions - possibility or necessity in our cities?

by Aleksandra Bawiec, Małgorzata Biniak-Pieróg,
Ewa Burszta-Adamiak, Magdalena Szymura
16.04.2025, 4:00 pm CET



Decentralized Solar Power Plant and Microgrid to Improve Sustainability of Local Community Energy Supply System.

by Vladyslav Hrytsenko, National Technical
University, Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute
18.04.2025, 4:00 pm CET

**More information on
webinars**

European Projects webinars

Presentation of *the MSCA Postdoctoral fellowship call* and opportunities for application within EU GREEN

23.04.2025 -- 10 am - 11:30 CET

The call is for research projects between an experienced researcher, who takes the role of a supervisor, and a postdoctoral fellow. The idea is for the fellow to carry out the project abroad, so the application must be submitted with a Host institution from another country. Both researchers, who wish to take the role of a Supervisor, and fellows interested in working abroad for 24 months are welcome to join. We're excited to present to you the testimony of a successful fellow and her groundbreaking project. *Registration is mandatory : [click here](#).*

How to write a successful MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship project

22.05.2025 -- 10 am - noon CET

We will dive deep into a proposal writing process and offer both fellows and supervisors a session dedicated to practical hints and tips on how to write a competitive proposal. A fellow from the University of Angers and a supervisor from UPWr, Prof. Anna Michalska-Ciechanowska will present their strategies for dealing with specific parts of the proposal. *Members of the European taskforce Jowita Chojcan (UPWR) and Anaëlle Gerard (UA) will also offer their comments on how to best structure your work plan and demonstrate that you and your Host Institution are a great match.* *Registration is mandatory : [click here](#).*

Growing up the Future. Education for Sustainability



In May 2026, OVGU will host the international and interdisciplinary conference ‘Growing up the Future. Education for Sustainability’, which is being organised by Junior Professor Dr Karina Becker in collaboration with partners from our EU GREEN Alliance. Submissions of proposals for lectures, workshops and poster presentations on eight thematically different panel topics are possible until **31th May 2025** via the [conference website](#).

The conference team is looking forward to receiving many submissions from EUGREEN members.

GROUFES is a laureate activity from the 2024 joint research activities call.

Apply before 31/05/2025

Spotlight on Successes

SUGUS - Energy, efficiency and soft mobility systems for more Sustainable and Greener Urban Spaces (Submitted project)

The proposal "Energy, efficiency and soft mobility systems for more Sustainable and Greener Urban Spaces" has been submitted to the call HORIZON-MISS-2024-CIT-01 : **Changing urban spaces and mindsets to accelerate the transition to climate neutrality**

The coordinator of the project is the University of Evora.

EU GREEN partners are: University of Extramadura, University of Angers, University of Parma, University of Gävle, and 18 other partners.

SUGUS aims to improve energy and water efficiency and urban planning, thus promoting sustainability in six small municipalities. Several demonstrations will be set up to develop different introducing a new dynamic pricing model designed to stimulate vehicle recharging.

Language learning innovation with SLS4TEENS workshops at the University of Extramadura

SLS4TEENS is a 2023 laureate of Erasmus+ partnership cooperation actions. It received 400 000€ from the European Commission to create new teaching models based on the latest research findings on language education.

During two days, secondary school language teachers are engaging in co-working sessions, sharing experiences, and collaborating on the seven innovative teaching modules that form the core of the project. The SLS4TEENS initiative aims to revolutionize language learning by focusing on communicative learning methods and fostering emotional security in students. Key topics covered in the modules include ICT in language education, intercultural communication, neuroscience applications in language acquisition, and oral skill assessment. [Read the full article here](#)

EU GREEN stories

PRO-BRAIN- PROtein misfolding in neurodegenerative diseases: integrating BioinfoRmAtIcs and biochemistry for Natural compound therapies

The aim of PRO-Brain, laureate in 2024 to the EU GREEN call for joint research activities, project is to explore the role of plant-derived natural compounds as sources of therapeutic agents for innovative drugs able to prevent or mitigate the progression of neurodegenerative diseases .

The kick-off meeting will take place in April at the University of Parma.

BioFungiFood – Innovative procedures against emerging fungal species under challenging climate change conditions for healthy and safe vegetable

This seed project, laureate in 2024 to the EU GREEN call for joint research activities, seeks to lay the groundwork for a collaborative international research team to apply for funding for a project based on an integrated and safe system focusing on alternative and natural fungicides, with innovative procedures for evaluating, detecting, and controlling emerging fungal species that affect vegetables, promoting

healthier food production for human and animal consumption, and contributing to environmental sustainability.

The kick-off meeting will take place in April at the University of Extramadura.

Mobility story

Graduates' transition to the labor market and sustainable development - Pr. Roxana Hatos (University of Oradea) and Pr. Christophe Daniel and Catherine Deffains-Crapsky (University of Angers)



In December 2024, Pr. Hatos (in the middle on the picture) made an EU GREEN funded mobility towards the University of Angers. She was welcomed by Pr. Deffain-Crapsky (left) and Pr. Daniel (right).

The purpose of this mobility was to explore possibilities for collaboration on the shared theme of **enhancing the transition of graduates into the labor market**, with a specific focus on a joint effort in this direction. The primary objective was to foster dialogue and collaboration between the two universities regarding graduate employability, **with a particular emphasis on students from economics-related disciplines**. This initiative sought to compare existing practices, identify challenges, and propose future collaborative research and policy recommendations.

During this researcher mobility, Pr. Roxana Hatos had the opportunity to disseminate relevant research findings from articles published over

time. These findings were presented to researchers at the faculty, focusing on the theme of entrepreneurship. The presentation, titled "Entrepreneurship: A Multidimensional Analysis of Individual, Contextual, and Educational Drivers," provided valuable insights and is attached to this document for reference.

**More information about
on-going research activities
within EU GREEN**



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