

Speakers' profiles

Imre Hamar

Vice-Rector for International Affairs at Eötvös Loránd University

Professor Imre Hamar earned his degrees in Chinese and Tibetan Studies at Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) and became doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in 2016. He is continuously teaching and doing researches in the field of Chinese studies. He has been fulfilling different leadership positions, being appointed as vice-dean of international affairs at the Faculty of Humanities two times. Professor Hamar serves as Vice-Rector for International Affairs of ELTE since 2017.

Nadia Manzoni

Team Leader, Erasmus+ Programme for Higher Education in the DG Education, Youth, Sport and Culture

Nadia Manzoni has been working for the European Commission's Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture since 2013. Currently she is coordinating a team responsible for transposing European higher education policies into the Erasmus+ programme. Previously she worked as a policy officer overseeing files which foster employability of higher education graduates and financing of higher education systems as well as an education policy analyst in the European semester process, having studied education studies at the University of Cambridge and European studies at the University of Vienna.

László Horváth

Assistant Professor at the Institute of Education, Faculty of Education and Psychology, Eötvös Loránd University.

He holds degrees in adult education and economics (leadership and management) and a PhD in Educational Sciences. In his research he specializes in the organization and management issues of educational organizations, especially focusing on organizational learning. His previous research projects focused on the emergence and diffusion of educational innovations, quality of teaching mobility, impact assessment of equity based institutional development programmes and higher



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education as a learning organization. Currently he is working in a post-doctoral grant as principal investigator of a project focusing on digital transformation in education.

Péter Tordai

Deputy Director for Mobility at Eötvös Loránd University.

He is responsible for the coordination of the international programmes (Erasmus+, Stipendium Hungaricum, Ceepus, etc.) at university level.

Previously he was the director of Tempus Public Foundation, an umbrella organisation active in the field of internationalisation of education and training, hosting also the Erasmus+ National Agency for Hungary.

Sébastien Ottavi

Pedagogical Engineer and Teacher at UniLaSalle, he holds degrees in adult training and pedagogical engineering.

Within the Pedagogical Innovation Department of UniLaSalle, he is in charge of training new teachers and works on their professional development. He designs support at different levels (Individuals, departments, organization) on pedagogical tools, methods and approaches. It provides training and project support for both teachers and students.

He is the designer and builder of the «TWE+ Pedagogical Tools and Methods » catalogue.

Anikó Makkai-Kovács

Policy and Research Officer, European University Foundation (EUF)

She holds a master's degree in intercultural psychology and education and has worked with the Erasmus+ programme and the internationalisation of higher education for more than a decade at various universities.

Currently she works at the EUF Brussels office as a policy and research officer, contributing to the quality development of international mobility, and digitalisation of higher education in Europe.

Previously she worked as the head of the central Erasmus+ and International Programmes Department at Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) in Budapest. She has great experience in managing complex EU and Erasmus+ projects, mobility programmes, advising policy makers and representing an institution at different international events, forums and other platforms. She has



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first-hand experience in dealing with the often contradictory interests of students, professors, coordinators and university leaders at a HEI.

Kilian Klein

Senior Software Engineer, European University Foundation (EUF)

Kilian KLEIN holds a master's degree in Software Engineering delivered by the ENSIbs in South Bretagne, France. He has worked and lived in several countries for the past 10 years, bringing his code quality knowledge to diverse companies, developing and managing their web applications projects.

Within the EUF that he recently joined, Kilian is dedicated to support the modernisation and digitalisation of the Erasmus+ program which has brought him the passion for living abroad and in international communities. As a senior software engineer, his professional experience will directly contribute to improving the user experience of participants of the programme so they enjoy this amazing program even more.

Viki Csonka

Project Officer, UNICA

Viki holds master's degrees in International Relations as well as in Conference Interpretation and has been working in higher education for several years. Currently she is a Project Officer of the UNICA - Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe. Previously, she served as an attaché in charge of higher education, green diplomacy, and science & technology in the Delegation of the European Union to Colombia and a Programme Coordinator at the Hungarian Education Agency Tempus Public Foundation as well as a freelance higher education expert. Also, she has been involved in several election observation missions organised by the Organisation of Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and the European Union.

Krisztina Kovács

International Coordinator at the Department of Erasmus+ and International Programmes at Eötvös Loránd University

She is an international project coordinator who is specifically assigned to coordinate current and future Erasmus+ KA2 projects at the Department of Erasmus+ and International Programmes at ELTE. She has a master's degree in Applied Linguistics and Hungarian literature and language, and



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a master's degree in International Relations, with a Human Rights focus. She participated in several Erasmus+ youth programs as a university student.

