

EUGLOH NEWSLETTER - SUMMER EDITION

9 universities, 1 alliance, 1 goal

LUND SUMMIT
2023



EUGLOH 2.0

Latest news

Summer's out and hope you'll be enjoying your holidays during July and August! ☀️

Our **internal** University of Szeged EUGLOH **newsletters** will arrive on a monthly basis in July and August. This is now our July newsletter!

In **this newsletter**, we summarise previous events and accomplishments in the EUGLOH project, and to raise your attention to upcoming events that might interest you.

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Previous Event Highlights

Annual Summit 2023 in Lund, Sweden: Building Bridges and Making Memories

Mingling and connecting over “fika”, nourishing relationships both new and old, incubating new ideas for research and education, exploring the beautiful Lund campus – that was the Annual Summit 2023 in a nutshell. With over **300 representatives from EUGLOH** full partner and associated partner universities, the first summit of the second phase of the European University Alliance for Global Health (EUGLOH) marked the integration of the expanded Alliance. From June 12 to 14, all participants to the summit were actively engaged in a programme designed around the theme “Building Bridges between Education and Research”. Besides the many ways in which the summit served to reinforce the shared long-term aim of the Alliance to become a world-class higher education, research and innovation alliance, it also left participants with inspiring memories to carry them through the next academic year.

The Annual Summit was a unique opportunity to gather students and staff from all nine EUGLOH partner universities as well as all four Associated Partner universities in order to foster exchanges and interactions between education and research, between countries and between students, teachers, researchers, and staff.

The **official opening** of the summit took place on June 13 in the grand hall of the 141-year-old main building of Lund University. Welcome remarks were given by Erik Renström, Vice-Chancellor of Lund University, Alva Söderbäck, Vice President of the Lund University Student Union, EUGLOH Coordinator Sandrine Lacombe and Mats Helmfrid, Mayor and Chairman of the City Council of Lund. Mats Persson, Minister for Education at the Ministry of Education and Research in Sweden, also welcomed the guests and emphasized the importance of University Alliances, saying that “[he]firmly [believes] that interconnected institutions are very important for tackling the challenges related to the green and digital transition and the global health challenges that we all face.”



Capturing the essence of EUGLOH’s interdisciplinary approach to global health, **keynote speaker Petter Hartman, CEO of Medicon Village Lund**, pointed out that “Health is not just about illness, it is also about how the world is doing in general. Politics and climate change also have an impact on our health.”

The **various sessions, study visits and working meetings** that followed the opening ceremony focused on three key themes: Art and Health, Agenda 2030, and EU – a vision of an integrated education, research and innovation area.

The over **60 students**, who attended the Annual Summit as part of their engagement in EUGLOH Local Student Boards on their respective campuses, appreciated the opportunity to connect with each other. Anna Wagner of Universität Hamburg’s student board said, “I really enjoyed meeting so many new, inspiring and amazing people and to get to know all the people behind EUGLOH.” Anna especially appreciates the Alliance’s “interconnectedness, because there are so many topics, people and countries that are connected through EUGLOH.”

The EUGLOH Annual Summit is held every year at a different member university. It offers the chance to establish new projects for education, research, innovation, and start-ups, to identify new professional opportunities, and generally to increase the visibility and impact of the Alliance and its partner institutions. **In 2024, the Annual Summit will be held at the University of Szeged, Hungary, again from June 12 to 14.**

Previous Event Highlights

Experiences of the Lund Summit by Anna Szabó

Fun. Inspiring. Unique. These are words that always return again and again when a EUGLOH event is being discussed. And for a reason.

First of all, I would like to say that as someone relatively new to the Alliance, I arrived at the Annual Summit (held June 12-14) with as great expectations as a Dickensian protagonist. However, as opposed to the distinguished gentleman in the all-time classic, my hopes were never crushed, but rather upheld. Surpassed, even. I haven't been working with EUGLOH for long, but my new colleagues were never anything but kind and patient with me, treating me as an equal. Now I have a first-hand experience with how open this alliance – this community – is and what a fertile soil it is for new ideas and initiatives.

We started Monday off with a separate slot for each working group to discuss challenges and ideas. As a member of the working group focusing on Communication and Dissemination, we set out to explore some of the multiple challenges we face when it comes to sharing information. By the end of the last session, we realized (once again) that we are all in this together; we share the same values, we are not fighting our obstacles alone, and even those obstacles can be reframed as opportunities if we tackle them as a team.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, we chose different tracks according to our main interests. Being a former English Studies student myself, I was too in love with humanities to miss the chance to listen to Track 1: Art & Health, although the other two tracks (Agenda 2030 and the Future of Education in Europe: tools to fulfil the vision) sounded extremely exciting as well. On this particular track, we discovered how arts can be a tool in the hands of educators and facilitators and how, in addition to enriching our lives, they can contribute to our mental and general health as well. An intriguing topic, especially in these post-Covid, war-torn days, when diseases, anxiety and depression rear their ugly heads on a daily basis, posing serious threat not only to mental, but also to general health globally.

The speakers were from different areas within the Alliance, sometimes presenting research that had already been conducted by interdisciplinary and international teams. Is there even a better way to prove how great EUGLOH is in sparking teamwork across disciplines and borders?

One thing I really loved about the summit were the extracurricular activities, especially the visit to the Lund Skissernas Museum, which is a collection of scraps, drawings and sketches, an incredible homage to the artistic process itself. While strolling through the half-finished artworks of my favourite (and next favourite) artists, I realized how awe-inspiring it is to see something in the making – something that is meant to be magnificent, but that might seem small and insignificant at the moment. It's like a glimpse behind the curtain.

But the Museum of Scraps was not only a sight to see, it also reminded me of the unique process I am part of. EUGLOH is an extraordinary Alliance and after the Annual Summit, I'm even more excited to be part of the team building something bigger than me – bigger than all of us. Part of something that has been forged in an extremely difficult time of the EU, and that is, I firmly believe, capable of addressing the challenges of our times.



Previous Event Highlights

USZ Student Board - Experiences of the Lund Summit by Mira Somlyai

As a **student**, I was lucky to be able to represent my university (University of Szeged) at the Annual Summit in Lund. As this was my second Summit, I had friends whom I was happy to see again, but with the 4 new universities, there was an opportunity to meet new students, researchers and staff.

My time in **Lund** started with a picnic organized for students, which helped us connect right before the Summit began. The atmosphere was vibrant as we were getting to know each other's personalities, cultures and background. From that moment we met, we attended all the upcoming programmes together, eating lunch and dinner, and spent our free time in each other's presence. It was uplifting to see how quickly a community can come together thanks to EUGLOH.

The Summit helped me grow in an academic way. From my participation I can take away new perspectives of different projects, as we discussed important matters in the work package meetings. Brainstorming with vice-chancellors, researchers, and staff gave me a new view of how to look at a question in hundreds of different ways, how culture affects our choices and what we each represent in EUGLOH. Attending the different sessions presented me topics I've never heard about and showed me how health affects fields I would never think of. It was interesting to see how our Alliance is developing thanks to all the hard-working members.

It was incredible to attend all the **meetings** and **sessions**, however my favorite part of the Summit was the finishing dinner. Everybody came together, shared stories, laughed, danced, and said one final goodbye to the Annual Summit. The organizers of Lund have really outdone themselves, as they introduced us to local specialties, showed us Swedish traditions, gave us a great jazz show and made sure ABBA was loud enough for all of us at the end of the event to dance to.



During my time in Lund I was inspired by all the stories I heard from my student partners from all 9 universities, and we will keep in touch not just as members of the Alliance, but as friends. To end this article, I can't sum up my experience at the Annual Summit 2023 other than a quote from one of the WP8 members: "**EU** stands for the values we share, **GLOB**al stands for the international community, and **Health** concerns us all. That's why we are here together. And it's great to be together."



Lund Summit x USZ in pictures



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Triumphs of Transformation: achievements of the EUGLOH pilot phase (2019-2022)

The achievements of EUGLOH's pilot phase (2019-2022) are summarized in a news article.

Over the course of the EUGLOH pilot phase, the Alliance implemented close to 160 courses, of which over 50 were ECTS credit bearing, and more than 140 events for its students and staff. The Alliance created procedures to facilitate travel and the transfer of ECTS credits between partner universities for the entire Alliance.

Would you like to read the whole report on the key achievements?

[CLICK HERE to read more!](#)



Video contest winner from USZ

Shehroz Tariq, a student from the Faculty of Business Administration and Management participated in the EUGLOH video challenge and WON third place with the amazing creation!

[Watch the video HERE!](#)

Congratulations!



Participating in EUGLOH as a student from the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration

Yes! It is highly possible for all research fields to be engaged with EUGLOH. In this testimony, **Benard Maswach** shares his experience with us.

"Participating in the EUGLOH mobility program (Skills for future Researches) has been an **enriching** and **transformative** experience for me. The program not only provided me with an opportunity to engage with diverse cultures and perspectives but also allowed me to collaborate with brilliant minds from different fields of study. The workshop was meticulously designed, offering valuable insights and fostering interdisciplinary learning. The **commitment** and **knowledge** of the facilitators, who promoted active participation and enabled insightful discussions, impressed me. One of the workshop's highlights was learning how to translate difficult scientific ideas into communication products that the general public can quickly comprehend, use, and maintain. This was achieved through mock press briefing which not only helped me gauge my public speaking skills but also highlighted areas that needs improvement to be a **superb communicator**."



Previous Event Highlights



EUGLOH - Hall of Fame

We are extremely proud of any kind of accomplishment that is achieved by our members – let them be academics, staff or students.

Today, we are celebrating together with three academics connected to EUGLOH who all have been promoted to Heads of different departments at our university.

Congratulations to Dr Tamás Róbert Antal (EUGLOH contact at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences), Prof Dr József Hajdú (Local WP4 Academic Leader) and Dr Ferenc Peták (WP3 Academic Leader).

Picture taken by: Kovács-Jerney Ádám

How far can we run together?

The community of the University of Szeged Alumni has once again collected some miles of their own runs, walks and other sports based on the **long-standing tradition of the SZTE Alma Mater.**

The community was so engaged that they managed to **visit all EUGLOH universities THREE TIMES!**

If you are interested in the details, you can read them in Hungarian [HERE](#).



Photo taken by: Katinka Bakos; SZTE Alma Mater 2023

EUGLOH Annual Summit 2024

**What could be better than an Annual Summit in Lund?
An Annual in Szeged!**

Yes, you see it right: our beloved city will host the next Annual EUGLOH Summit on 10-12th June 2024.

The detailed program is yet to be determined, but we are sure to expect many inspiring guests from all 8 partner universities all around Europe, an amazing community – finally in person! –, exciting lectures, enlightening workshops, extraordinary cultural programs, and plenty of surprises.

Stay tuned for more to come!

Upcoming Events

Prepare for the Szeged Summit of 2024, but also keep our other events in mind!

- ➔ Interested in attending online events?
- ➔ Would you like to raise the attention of your students and engage them in an international community?

Let's check the event portfolio currently available for EUGLOH partners!

Event	Date	Target audience	Host	Venue
<u>Antibiotics resistance & marine conservation</u>	2023.05.04-07.19.	students (all)	München	Online
<u>One Health Core Competencies</u>	2023.05.22-07.14.	professionals, students in human health, environmental and social studies	München	Online
<u>One Health and Climate Change Course</u>	2023.06.05-08.14.	students (all)	München	Online
<u>Workshop "Doping in Sport"</u>	2023.09.08	students (all), researchers, staff	Paris-Saclay	Online + Paris
<u>Blended Intensive Programme in Geriatrics (BIP)</u>	2023.09.04-10.13.	Final years medical students (5th and 6th years) Recent Graduates in Medicine	UPorto	Online + Porto
<u>Capacity Building in Intrapreneurship</u>	2023.09.11-15.	Undergraduate, Master, PhD Students, Researchers, Staff	UPorto	Online + Porto
<u>MOOC MOMENTOM - MOlecules and Materials for the ENergy of TOMorrow</u>	2023.10.30-12.18.	All	Paris-Saclay, Lund, Porto, Hamburg, NS	Online
<u>Introduction to Portuguese</u>	2023.05.02-08.09.	All	UPorto	Online

If you have any further questions or suggestions about EUGLOH communications or events, reach out to us anytime @ eugloh@szte.hu!