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Subject: Toetus Eesti Maaülikooli ja ELLS konsortsiumi Euroopa Ülikooli projektile

Tere Rainer,

Telefoni jutu jätkuks, Eesti Maaülikool soovib RMK-It toetuskirja Eesti Maaülikooli ja Euroopa Bioteaduste Ülikoolide Liiga Euroopa Ülikooli projektile. Tegemist on ERASMUS+ koostöö meetmega, mille eesmärgiks on Euroopa ülikoolide koostöö suurendamine ja õppe kvaliteedi ning mobiilsuse tõstmine. Võrgustikku kuuluvad Euroopa tugevaimad maaülikoolid ning põhieesmärgiks on koolitada tuleviku keskkonnateadlikke „mängumuutjaid“. Kirja lõppu on lisatud lühike kokkuvõte eesmärkidest ja Wageningeni Ülikooli pöördumine koos kaasatud ülikoolide nimekirjaga.

RMK-le võib kasu tõusta juhtumipõhiste kursuste korraldamisest, lisaks osalemise täiendusõppe kursustel. Finantsilist kulu ega otsest tulu RMK-le projekti toetamisega ei kaasne.

Tervitades,

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Wageningen University, together with its European partners in the Euroleague for Life Sciences network, is currently developing a proposal for an Erasmus+ funded European University project entitled LIFE: Euroleague for Life Sciences (LIFE). A European University focusses on enhancing the transnational educational and research collaboration to strengthen the quality and relevance for future proof skills of all types of learners (BSc, MSc, PhD, professionals/lifelong learners, etc).

The LIFE consortium builds on more than 20 years of experience, and aims to educate a new generation of game changers who can actively contribute to the European transition towards a sustainable future in the field of food, feed and biobased production, natural resources and a living environment. The project will focus on offering learners better access to the latest scientific insights at the different partners enabling them to upscale their knowledge, skills and expertise in our domain. This upscaling will be realized by, amongst others, facilitating easier access to courses at the different partner university (physically and digitally), joint student challenges based on real life European challenges etc. The project will also further stimulate the university to university collaboration within our life sciences domain by creating knowledge creating teams. The LIFE consortium aims to inspire our colleagues at the life science universities in Europe and strengthen our sector as a whole.

We would also like to involve external partners, whose themes and expertise are closely related to those of LIFE, in the execution of the project. To this end, I would like to invite the Association for European Life Science Universities to become an associate partner of LIFE, Euroleague for Life Sciences. As an associated partner you will support the European collaboration within ELLS and highlight the importance of European collaboration through the European University Initiative.

An associate partner will not have specific (financial or other sort) obligations within the LIFE project but you get access to and are invited to contribute to:

1. Receive invitations to a variety of national, regional and international events, including conferences, roundtables, panel discussions, world cafés, lectures and workshops.
2. Possibility to participate in one or two annual events focused on associate partner engagement and expanding our and your network in Europe and beyond.
3. Participate in the dialogue with academic staff from different disciplines, different countries and cultures working together on societal challenges related to sustainable development.
4. Participate in the organisation of field trips or offer internships for learners at all levels.
5. Contribute to student work related to challenges relevant to your organisation.

6. Advise on the external relations strategy of LIFE, Euroleague for Life Sciences and the development of training programmes.
7. Help promoting the work of LIFE, Euroleague for Life Sciences, but also use LIFE, Euroleague for Life Sciences as a channel to reach out to many learners (157.00+ students) and staff (40.000+), and disseminate your activities related to the mission and vision of LIFE, Euroleague for Life Sciences through for example keynote lectures.

If your organisation is willing to contribute to LIFE as an associated partner, we kindly ask you to send us a letter of intent describing the activities you would like to share within the project. For your convenience an example letter of intent has been added. The Erasmus+ programme asks all (associated) partners to have a "PIC" number for unique identification on the commission's platform. If such a "PIC" number is already assigned to your organisation, we would highly appreciate if you could mention it on the letter of intent. The information page below offers a search data base of all registered organisations with their "PIC" number. When a "PIC" number has not been assigned to your organisation yet Wageningen University can offer support for the registration. The registration process can be organized in the coming months. Thank you for sending us the letter before 23 January 2023.

Information page: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/participant-register>.

Please, feel free to contact Jeroen Ouburg should you need any further details (Jeroen.ouburg@wur.nl or +31-317-483433). Letters of intent can be sent to: Tjallie.botden@wur.nl

With kind regards,

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Overview of partners:

Wageningen University (coordinator) (WU, The Netherlands),
Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU, Sweden),
University of Hohenheim (UHOH, Germany),
Czech University of Life Sciences (CZU, Czech Republic),
Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU, Norway),
Warsaw University of Life Sciences (SGGW, Poland),
University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU, Austria),
L' Institut Agro (L'Agro, France),
the Faculty of Bioscience Engineering of the University of Ghent (UGHENT, Belgium),
Estonian University of Life Sciences (EMU, Estonia),
the University of Lincoln (LU, New Zealand), and
the Faculty of Agriculture of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HUJI, Israel)