

**Euro-Mediterranean University**  
**EMUNI University**  
**REPORT 2008/09**  
**PLAN 2009/10**





# **EuroMed: from Barcelona (1995) to Paris Summit (2008)**

## **Priority Areas of the Union for Mediterranean:**

- De-pollution of the Mediterranean
- Maritime and Land Highways
- Civil Protection
- Alternative Energies
- Higher Education and Research, Euro-Mediterranean University with the seat in Slovenia
- The Mediterranean Business Development Initiative





# **Euro-Mediterranean University / EMUNI University**

**INAUGURATION:** 9 June 2008 in Portorož, Slovenia.

**CONSTITUTION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY:** 26 November 2008

Barcelona,

Statute of the Euro-Mediterranean University

Members of GA: 115 co-founders of the University from 32 countries

## **FORMAL ESTABLISHMENT**

13 February 2009 - Registration of the EMUNI University

12 June 2009 – Accreditation of Study Programmes at Council of HE

17 July 2009 - Registration in register of higher education institutions

## **ERASMUS University Charter**

Awarded in December 2009.



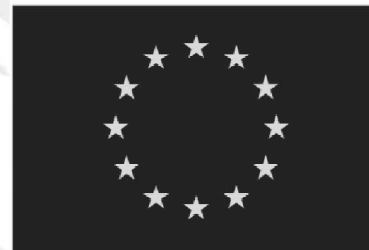
# EU Funds for EMUNI

**December 2010 – contract signature between EMUNI and the Europe Aid Co-operation Office**

**Amount:** one million Euro

**Allocation of funds:** development and implementation of projects in relation to the priority areas of the Union of the Mediterranean.

- the preparation of 8 Master Study programmes,
- establishment of Higher Education Observatory
- dissemination of results, (conferences, EMUNI regional days and publications)



This project is  
co-funded by  
The European Union



# EMUNI University

**Established by:** universities, higher-education and research networks, higher-education and research institutions (Foundation Charter)

**Status:** international institution, seat in Slovenia





# Founding Members of EMUNI - Members of the General Assembly

14 institutions from 37 countries





# Vision and Mission of the EMUNI University

**Building bridges in the multicultural Euro–Mediterranean area and within the framework of international postgraduate higher-education and research institutions.**

- to elevate the quality of graduate education by providing enriched educational opportunities
- to build international, strong, university-wide culture of excellence in education and research
- to ensure a university environment that is inclusive as well as diverse and that fosters a spirit of community among faculty, staff, and students
- to engage the University in outreach and collaborative partnerships with the greater community
- to ensure an administrative, operational, and physical infrastructure that fully supports a first-class university by establishing a top-performing University Relations Operation



# Organisation

**President:** Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud

**Management Board:** 8 out of 11 members from 5 countries

**Senate:** 20 out of 25 members from 20 countries, 5 later

**Student Council:** in constitution, students have representatives in both university bodies

**Supporting institutions:**

- **EMUNI Center**, Secretariat of EMUNI University
- **EMUNI Foundation**, funds raising institution





General  
Assembly

Management  
Board

Senate

Student  
Council

President

THE OFFICE OF THE  
PRESIDENT  
(0006)

INTERNATIONAL  
COOPERATION UNIT  
(0003)

SECRETARIAT  
Center EMUNI  
(0005)

ICT UNIT AND  
LIBRARY  
(0004)

RESEARCH UNIT  
(0002)

EDUCATION UNIT  
(0001)

Main Office

Sector for General, Legal  
and HRM Matters

Operation, Finance and  
Accounting Sector

Information and  
Organisation Systems Sector

Education Sector  
- Study Affairs  
- Student Affairs  
(Registrar)

Research Sector  
- Projects  
- Conferences

Library

E-Learning Support

Publications  
(Digital / Printed)

Institute for De-Pollution  
of The Mediterranean

Institute for Maritime  
and Land Highways

Institute for Civil  
Protection

Institute for  
Euro-Mediterranean  
Development Studies and  
Intercultural Dialogue

Institute for Higher  
Education and Research

Institute for  
Mediterranean Business  
Development

Institute for Alternative  
Energies (Mediterranean  
Solar Plan)

Curriculum Department  
Master Programmes

Curriculum Department  
PhD Programmes



# Cooperation with some important international institutions:

- **ALF** - Anna Lindh Euro-Mediterranean Foundation for the Dialogue between Cultures,
- **AoC** - United Nations Alliance for Civilizations,
- **CIHEAM** - International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies,
- **CREMO** – Center of Research and Studies for the Eastern Mediterranean,
- **EMPA** – Euro-Mediterranean Parliament Assembly,
- **ETF** - European Training Foundation,
- **SEECCEL** - South East European Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning,
- **UNIMED** – Mediterranean Universities Union,
- **TYR FOUNDATION**
- Other institutions.



## **EDUCATION ACTIVITIES 2009 /10**

- **EMUNI Doctoral Study Programme**
- **EMUNI Master Study Programmes**
- **EMUNI Professional School**
- **EMUNI Summer Semester**
- **EMUNI Doctoral Research Seminars**



# **EMUNI Doctoral Study Programme**

**(EMUNI degree)**

## **Criminal Justice and Security Studies**

**Partners:** University of Maribor and other universities  
in EuroMed region

**Duration:** 3 years / 180 ECTS

**Language:** English

### **Some characteristics:**

- Inter-cultural environment for students and professors
- 2 months of intensive course in Slovenia each year
- On-line studying



# **EMUNI Master Study Programmes (EMUNI label)**

## **Environment**

**Partners:** University of Nova Gorica and other universities  
in EuroMed region

## **Migration and Intercultural Relations**

**Partners:** University of Nova Gorica and other Universities

## **Euro-Mediterranean MA in Culture and Tourism**

**Partners:** University of Bari and other Universities



# Development of new Master Study Programmes

## Some Characteristics:

- Creating a network of specialised Master Study Programmes, especially as a joint or double degree,
- Programmes carried out at EMUNI and at EMUNI partner universities,
- topics significant for the Euro-Mediterranean region,
- The international comparability: credits, courses, awarded titles

## Calls:

- **Development of New Master Study Programmes\_1-09**, Deadline: 15 Feb10
- **Notification of Already Accredited Study Programmes\_2-09**, Call closed (15 Oct 09)



# **EMUNI Professional School**

## **EMUNI Summer Semester**

### **Euro-Mediterranean Summer Semester 2010 (EMUNI Summer 2010):**

- June – September 2010
- 9 courses with ECTS value (selected by a Call)
- 7 countries (Czech Republic, Greece, Israel, Italy, Portugal, Slovenia, Tunisia)

### **Professional Courses:**

- Euro-Mediterranean International Relations (5 ECTS), February 2010**
- Geographical Perspectives and Touristic Regions (5 ECTS), February 2010**
- Arabic as a Language of Intercultural Dialogue in the Mediterranean (5 ECTS), March 2010**
- Public management (12 ECTS), May 2010**



## **2nd EMUNI DOCTORAL RESEARCH SEMINARS (EMUNI DocSem 2010)**

### **Two seminars, implemented at EMUNI**

- **Intercultural Dialogue in the Sphere of Higher Education/Research in Euro-Mediterranean (22 March – 3 April 2010, Portorož-Slovenia)**
- **Leadership for Cultural Diversity (9 – 22 May 2010, Portorož-Slovenia)**

### **Some characteristics:**

- fields of research – priorities of UfM,
- delivered in Slovenia (two weeks) from February to June 2010,
- improving PhD thesis, preparing research articles,
- developing proposals for new Master and PhD studies.





## **RESEARCH ACTIVITIES 2009 / 2010**

- **EMUNI Projects**
- **EMUNI Conferences**
- **EMUNI Publications**



# EMUNI Projects

## **Aims:**

- to strengthen and extend the EMUNI network,
- to obtain additional sources of financing
- to promote activities connected with the six priority issues of the UoM

## **Policy:**

- applying on international and Slovenian calls, where the objectives, eligibility, finance and other criteria suit to EMUNI mission and activities.
- acting as a project applicant or project partner. As an applicant it is searching for partnership in the projects among EMUNI partner institutions.



# ETF Project on Entrepreneurial learning

**Project manager: European Training Foundation (ETF)**

**Covering:** 16 countries of South Eastern Europe, North Africa and the Middle East.

**Aims:** help build capacity for developing lifelong entrepreneurial learning and the creation of enterprise skills in general and higher education.

**EMUNI joined the project in 2009, the full participation started in 2010**

**EMUNI leading group within the project:**

- International School for social and Business Studies (Celje, Slovenia),
- University of Nova Gorica (Nova Gorica, Slovenia),
- University of Sousse (Sousse, Tunisia),
- Al Akhawayn University (Ifrane, Morocco).



**EMUNI HE&R**

**3<sup>rd</sup> EMUNI Conference on Higher Education and  
Research**

**Entrepreneurial Learning  
and the Role of Universities**

23 - 25 September 2010

Portorož, Slovenia,



**HE&R 2010**  
EMUNI Higher Education &  
Research



# EMUNI Research Souk

## EMUNI ReS

### The Euro-Mediterranean Student Research Multi-conference

Date: 14 June 2010

Locations:

**Alexandria, Egypt and other EMUNI partner locations**





11<sup>th</sup> MIC 2010, Management International Conference

***Social Responsibility and Ethics of Management***

Ankara, Turkey, 24–27 November 2010

Organised by: UP Faculty of Management Koper, EMUNI University and Hacettepe University (TBC)



## **Other conferences (EMUNI co-organiser)**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> MED**

Euro-Mediterranean Public Management Dialogue  
Portorož, Slovenia, 8 -10 October 2009

### **ACAM Forum**

The Union for the Mediterranean: Cultural Platform  
and institutional construction  
Sousse, Tunisia, 23 – 24 November 2009



# IJEMS - The International Journal of Euro-Mediterranean Studies

## Announcing 2 thematic issues

- De-Pollution of Mediterranean Basin
- Cultures & Tourism in Euro-Mediterranean Region

International Journal  
of Euro-Mediterranean Studies



*Revue internationale d'études euro-méditerranéennes*  
*Mednarodna revija za evro-mediteranske študije*

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# Events Calendar (November 2009)

Date	Place	Events & Meetings
26-27 February 2010	Portorož, Slovenia	EMUNI Senate and Management Board Session
15 February - 6 March 2010	Portorož, Slovenia	PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL: EURO-MEDITERRANEAN STUDIES - Euro-Mediterranean International Relations (5 ECTS) - Geographical Perspectives and Touristic Regions (5 ECTS) - Arabic as a Language of Intercultural Dialogue in the Mediterranean (5 ECTS)



# Proceedings





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### EMUNI at European Maritime Day

**Rome, 19 - 20 May 2009.** The European Maritime Day, celebrated on 20 May, shows the importance of sea and oceans for everyday life. The stakeholder conference was hosted by Silvio Berlusconi (Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy), Stefan Füle (Minister for European Affairs of the Czech Republic), Rodi Kratka-Tsiagropoulou (Vice-President of EP), José Manuel Barroso (President of EC), Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud, EMUNI president, presented the University at the conference. [\[More\]](#)

### UNESCO Project SEMEP at EMUNI

**Portorož, 22 May 2009.** Koper High school hosted a meeting of coordinators of UNESCO project called SEMEP (South-Eastern Mediterranean Environmental Project) of primary and secondary schools and kindergartens from South-East Mediterranean. Participants from Italy, Palestine, Turkey, Greece, Cyprus, Romania, Croatia, France, Israel and Slovenia also visited EMUNI. [\[More\]](#)

### EMUNI presented at the Seminar «Tourism and Religions»

**CMU - University of Bari, 1 June 2009.** Prof. P. Guaragnella and Prof. G. Dato (University of Bari), Prof. Luigi Ambrosi (President of Community of Mediterranean Universities - CMU), Prof. C. Notarstefano (CMU-Jean Monnet Center of Excellence), with a delegation of students took part in the Seminar in Bari. The seminar with the presentation of a new publication "Tourism and Religions: A contribution to the Dialogue Among Religions, Cultures and Civilizations" was a part of the Euro-Mediterranean Cultures and Tourism Master programme, which was delivered by University of Bari, Community of Mediterranean Universities, one of the cofounders of EMUNI. [\[More\]](#)



### Conference on Universities and Intercultural Dialogue

**Moscow, Saint-Petersburg, 3 - 5 June 2009.** Council of Europe organised a conference hosted by Peoples' Friendship University of Russia. Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud presented EMUNI's mission, aims and work during the conference dedicated to University networks. In the time of the visit EMUNI President and Prof. Vladimir Filipov, rector of Peoples' Friendly University signed a Letter of intent for cooperation. Prof. Mifsud also visited and lectured at School of International Relations of Saint-Petersburg University. [\[More\]](#)

### Master students of Energy and Sustainable Development in Slovenia

EMUNI University hosted 11 Energy and Sustainable Development MBA students from 1 to 20 June. During this period the students attended the Module Euro-Mediterranean International Relations, roundtable on How EMUNI can tune the intercultural dialogue and they also visited companies and institutions, which are active in the energy sector. [\[More\]](#)

### 1<sup>st</sup> EMUNI Research Souk on the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of EMUNI

**Portorož, 9 June 2009.** On the occasion of the first anniversary EMUNI organised the 1st EMUNI Research Souk in Portorož. Res Souk was held simultaneously at 17 higher educational and research institutions from 14 countries. We estimate that 2000 from the whole Euro-Mediterranean were involved in the project. The aim of the conference was to enable students to showcase and discuss their work in the field of research of topics in relation to Euro-Mediterranean issues also outside their host institutions as well as provide networking possibilities. In the opening part, live-broadcasted at the participating institutions, the guests

were addressed by Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud, Ms Rudi Kratka, Mr Alberto Manzini, Vice-Mayor of Piran Municipality, Mr Janez Potocnik, EU Commissioner for Science and Research, Samuel Zbogar, Slovenian Minister of Foreign Affairs and Dr. Jozsef Gyöngös, State Secretary at the Slovenian Ministry for Higher Education, Science and Technology. Addresses of organisations, with which EMUNI established cooperation and also cooperated as Res Souk partners followed, including European Training Foundation, UN Alliance of Civilizations Anna Lindh Foundation. The event continued with EMUNI Forum with contributions of experts, active in the Euro-Mediterranean environment - Giancarlo Caratti, from the JRC, EC, Abdel Bari Atwan, expert in the field of Middle East issues and Editor-in chief of Al-Quds newspaper and Veronika Stabej, Director of the Slovenia's Government Communication Office. Res Souk continued with Institutional Forum, held simultaneously at participating institutions, and Student's sections, where student contributions were presented. [\[More\]](#) [\[Photo Gallery\]](#) [\[Videos\]](#)

### EMUNI at the Conference

**Jerusalem, 14 - 15 June 2009.** The conference with a full name "1989-2009: Taking Stock of East-West Unification", organised by Institute for European Studies, focused on the changes in Europe that started with the symbolic fall of Berlin wall. Prof. Dr. Joseph Mifsud presented EMUNI University as an Instrument of Cross Border Cooperation during conference session dedicated to Education. During conference days, Prof. Mifsud also met with EMUNI partners discussed further cooperation within EMUNI partnership. [\[More\]](#)

### PROJECTS, CALLS

**2<sup>nd</sup> Euro-Mediterranean Summer School 2009**  
EMUNI University is pleased to announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> Euro-Mediterranean Summer School 2009, which will be held at 9 locations in 6 countries. The aim is to support cooperation among Euro-Mediterranean universities, stimulate mobility and to contribute to the understanding among cultures. The courses that will be delivered in June-July are:

- **Tradition and New Creativity in the Performing Arts** (Italy, 8 - 21 June) and
- **European Union Law and Policy on Immigration and Asylum** (Belgium, 29 June - 10 July).

#### In July-August-September will be implemented the following courses:

- **European Policies and Economic Transition in the Mediterranean Basin**, Italy
  - **Linguistic Mediation and Intercultural Dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean Basin**, Italy
  - **Local Administration and Human Development**, Italy
  - **Immigrants and Host Communities in Cross-cultural and Cross-linguistic Perspectives**, Greece
  - **Income Inequality and Poverty: Concepts, Measurement and International Evidence**, Israel
  - **Management in Higher Education**, Slovenia
- The call for students is open. [\[More\]](#)

### INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL

International Journal of Euro-Mediterranean Studies  
*Revista Internatională de Studii Euro-Mediterraneene*  
Kulturno-jezikovno in medkulturno jezikovno študije

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Announcing 2 special issues  
• **De-Pollution of Mediterranean Basin**  
• **Cultures & Tourism in Euro-Mediterranean Region**

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26 - 27 June 2009	Brdo, Slovenia	EMUNI Senate 2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting EMUNI Management Board 2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting
13 - 18 July 2009	Manbor / Portorož, Slovenia	17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Colloquium of the IGU Commission on the Sustainability of Rural Systems, New Challenges for Sustainable Rural Development in the 21st Century
June - Sept 2009	EMUNI partner institutions	2 <sup>nd</sup> Euro-Mediterranean Summer school 2009
16 - 30 Sept 2009	Portorož, Slovenia	Management in Higher Education Post-graduate Course
25 - 26 Sept 2009	Portorož, Slovenia	2 <sup>nd</sup> EMUNI HEAR, EMUNI conference on Higher Education and Research Internationalisation and the Role of University Networks
1 Oct 2009	Portorož, Slovenia	Beginning of Academic Year 2009 / 2010
24 - 25 Nov 2009	Sousse, Tunisia	EMUNI 2 <sup>nd</sup> General Assembly EMUNI Senate 3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting EMUNI Management Board 3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting
25 - 28 Nov 2009	Sousse, Tunisia	10 <sup>th</sup> MIC 2009, Management international conference Creativity, Innovation and Management

### CONFERENCES

EMUNI acts as organizer and co-organizer of international conferences, meetings and round tables covering different scientific fields, which refer to the focus and mission of the university.



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Manbor, Slovenia, 13 - 18 July 2009  
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**2<sup>nd</sup> EMUNI conference on Higher education and Research**  
Internationalization and the role of University networks  
Portorož, Slovenia, 24 - 26 Sept 2009  
Organised by: EMUNI and Compostela group of Universities  
Online registration is possible through conference website. The call for paper submissions is open until 30 June. [\[More\]](#)

### Network Fair

Network Fair is going to be an exhibition held during HEAR conference, where different international Networks will have the opportunity of presentation in a fair-like style. We are kindly inviting international Networks to present themselves on the Network Fair. Deadline for applications for the networks to participate on Network Fair: 4 July 2009  
[\[More\]](#)

### Med-2009.org

Second Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue on Public Management

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue on Public Management

Local Public Services and Territorial Management  
Portorož - Piran, Slovenia, 7-10 October 2009

Organised by: Institut de Management Public et Gouvernance Territoriale de l'Université Paul Cézanne, Aix-Marseille III and EMUNI University

The call for papers is open. [\[More\]](#)



### International Association of Universities 2009 Conference

The Role of Higher Education in Fostering the Culture of Dialogue and Understanding  
Beirut, Lebanon, 5 - 6 November 2009  
Organised by: International Association of Universities and EMUNI University  
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**10<sup>th</sup> MIC 2009, Management International Conference**  
Creativity, Innovation and Management  
Sousse, Tunisia, 25 - 28 November 2009  
Organised by: UP Faculty of Management Koper and EMUNI University  
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### Summer Course on Local Administration and Human Development

**Urbino, Italy, 13 - 23 July**  
The first part of the EMUNI Summer Course on Local Administration and Human Development, organized by the University of Urbino, with the support of the Faculty of Political Sciences, Art - Universitas Programme, Region Marche, United Nations Development Programme and UNOPS, was successfully concluded. Some of the participants also had the opportunity to experience brief job shadowing exercises in Urbino and Ancona.



### EMUNI Summer Courses in Catania

**Catania, Italy, 13 - 25 July**  
As part of the face-to-face tuition that the first part consisted of, laboratory work in and guided visits to the local authorities were organised. The summer school will be concluded in September 2009 with online courses.



### ETF, SECEEL and EMUNI establishing cooperation

**Turin, Italy, 22 July**  
Prof. Dr. Nada Trunk Širca and Prof. Dr. Abdoull Touhami from EMUNI visited the European Training Foundation, holding discussions about the cooperation in the field of Entrepreneurship Learning. The possibilities of cooperation in this field are very promising and the two organizations found synergies and made plans for joint actions in 2010. The meeting was held also with the representatives of SECEEL - South East European Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning, an organization supported by European Union with its seat in Croatia. The Centre was founded in 2008 on the initiative of the Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship of the

Republic of Croatia. Its goal is to promote developed learning economies and to establish structured co-operation amongst the countries of South Eastern Europe on lifelong entrepreneurial learning. SECEEL demonstrates how 8 countries have come together for the purposes of co-working developments in entrepreneurial learning. EMUNI and SECEEL discussed possible ways to start cooperation and to define the most relevant points of future partnership.

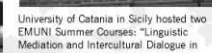


### Immigrants and Host Communities in Cross-cultural and Cross-linguistic Perspectives

**Thessaloniki, Greece, 10-28 August**  
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### University of Catania in Sicily hosted two EMUNI Summer Courses:

"Linguistic Mediation and Intercultural Dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean Basin", and "European Policies and Economic Transition in the Mediterranean Basin". The module "Linguistic Mediation" introduced the attendees to current trends and mainstreams in the field of cultural linguistic mediation, with particular reference to the Euro-Mediterranean region. Specific attention was devoted to the ways in which language serves as a central site for the elaboration and contestation of socio-cultural boundaries. The second module, "European Policies", covered a wide range of actions and roles that the EU plays in the Euro-Mediterranean region, and offered a global perspective on long term change in the world economy, interaction between countries, regulatory systems and business firms, with a special focus on the relationships between the two shores of the Mediterranean Basin.



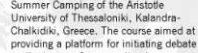
The courses were attended by 17 participants from Italy, Croatia, Macedonia, Greece, Turkey, Hungary, and Morocco) and 5 other through virtual learning. The students visited the lectures in the morning, while the afternoons offered an opportunity for personal consultations with the tutors and visits to different sites and events, where they could also learn about the Greek culture and society.



More than 25 students, coming from 10 different countries attended the courses. Apart of visiting the lectures and actively participating in numerous workshops, the students also had a chance to take part in various excursions and other activities that were organised as part of the summer school, e.g. visit to Etna Mountain, tourist sightseeing of Catania, which also provided them with knowledge about the Sicilian culture and offered them an opportunity to implement their knowledge of intercultural dialogue. At the end of the courses, Joseph Mifsud, President of EMUNI, distributed the certificates of attendance to participants.

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*We must truly believe in the boundless potential of young people, respect their talents, creativity, perspectives and background, and treat them as partners and collaborators.*

*(Hessa Bin Al Khalifa)*