

# EAN 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference

## PROGRAMME

### Wednesday 27 June (Faculty of Civil Engineering)

09:00 – 09:30 EAN Pre-conference registration

09:30 – 12:30 **International Student Forum**

09:30 – 12:30 **Parallel Training Sessions:**

T.1 ***Creating an accessible academic environment and support services for students with disabilities*** (University of Zagreb)

T.2 ***Developing inclusive teaching and learning methods for diverse student groups in higher education*** (University of Roehampton)

12:30 **Registration with light lunch**

12:50 – 13:20 Newcomers Reception

13:25 – 14:25 **17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the EAN**

14:30 – 15:30 **Opening Plenary**

Chair: **Mary Tupan-Wenno**, President, EAN & Director, ECHO, the Netherlands

Welcome: **Prof Aleksa Bjeliš**, PhD, Rector, University of Zagreb, Croatia

**Dr Željko Jovanović**, Minister of Science, Education and Sports, Croatia (tbc)

15:30 – 15:50 **Break**

15:55 – 16:55 **Parallel Paper Sessions 1**

Paper 1.1 ***Maximizing students' chances for a job by training networking skills***

Mrs Joke Vrijders & Mrs Eva Booms, Artevelde University College, Belgium

**(This paper has been withdrawn due to illness)**

Paper 1.2 ***Promoting equal participation through identification and removal of ICT barriers in a Learning Management System***

Ms Siri Kessel & Ms Weiqin Chen, Oslo & Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Norway

Paper 1.3 ***Growing financial barriers to higher education in the United States, 1980 to present***

Mr Tom Mortenson, Pell Institute for the Study of Opportunity in HE, USA

Paper 1.4 ***Selective factors preventing access to higher education as a basic human right***

Prof Lullu Tshiwula & Mr Khaya Magopeni, University of Western Cape, South Africa

Paper 1.5 ***Who are the world class access universities and what does this mean?***

Dr Graeme Atherton, National Education Opportunities Network (NEON), UK

- 17:00 – 17:45 **11<sup>th</sup> Maggie Woodrow Memorial Lecture**  
*“The Paradoxes of Access”*  
**Dr Maurits van Rooijen**, Rector Magnificus, Nyenrode Universiteit, the Netherlands
- 18:00 – 19:30 **Welcome Reception** hosted by the University of Zagreb at the Botanical Gardens

## Thursday 28 June (Borongay Campus)

- 09:00 – 10:35 **Plenary 1: Access to Higher Education: Barriers and Opportunities**  
 Chair: **Diana Wickham**, Partner, Groupe Civilis, Canada
- Speaker: *“Access to Higher Education: barriers and opportunities – One University’s Approach to System Change”*  
**Anna Kelly**, Director of Access & Lifelong Learning, University College Dublin, Ireland
- Panel discussion:**  
*The fulfilment of the right to education: policy, practice and reality*
- Facilitator: **Dr Kerry Ferguson**, Pro Vice-Chancellor, La Trobe University, Australia
- Panellists: **James Anyan**, Network for Higher Education and Innovation Research, University of Helsinki, Finland  
**Danijel Jedriško**, Student & President of Peace School Mrkopalj, Croatia  
**Anna Kelly**, Keynote Speaker  
**Prof Michael Osborne**, Professor of Adult & LLL, Glasgow University, Scotland, UK
- 10:35 – 10:55 **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Parallel Paper Sessions 2**
- Paper 2.1 ***Learning about post-secondary education is fun! Discussion and presentation of a didactic tool***  
 Violeta Vidaček-Hainš & Blaženka Divjak, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
 Adela Colhon & Dan Wise, YMCA of Greater Toronto, Canada
- Paper 2.2 ***Not where or what but who you know? The role of personal networks in supporting engagement in HE***  
 Dr Lindsay Hewitt & John Rose-Adams, The Open University, UK  
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***Life, liberty and the pursuit of a quality education: class disparity in the United States!***  
 Ms Tracy Lyons, University of Alabama at Birmingham, USA
- Paper 2.3 ***Bridging the gap with Awêness: first generation students’ perception and expectations of support***  
 Dr Celeste Nel, Stellenbosch University, South Africa  
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***Lessons from the Widening Access, Student Retention and Success UK national programmes archive***  
 Dr Joan O’Mahony, Higher Education Academy, UK

- Paper 2.4 ***Social background as a determinant for student transition to tertiary education in Germany***  
 Dr Astrid Krenz, University of Goettingen, Germany  
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***Dealing with higher education exclusion in Ghana: why the secondary school factor matters!***  
 Mr James Anyan, University of Helsinki, Finland
- Paper 2.5 ***Whose university is it anyway? Lifelong learning in an economic recession***  
 Dr Liz Marr & Ms Morag Harvey, The Open University, UKA  
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***The European 2020 Strategy and the Bologna Process: education, training and the labour market***  
 Assist. Prof. Dr. Fatma Serbest, Haliç University, Turkey
- 12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:30 **Parallel Working Groups**  
 Participants will be divided into small groups to work on education reforms: financing; enabling access and participation; gender equality; disability; the educational continuum
- 15:30 – 16:00 **Break**
- 16:00 – 17:00 **Working Groups** reporting back
- 20:00 **Conference Dinner** (optional)

## Friday 29 June (Borongay Campus)

- 09:00 – 10:30 **Plenary 2: Affordable Quality Higher Education – At What Price?**  
 Chair: **Dr Maurits van Rooijen**, Rector Magnificus, Nyenrode Universiteit, the Netherlands
- Speaker: **Prof Malcolm Gillies**, Vice-Chancellor, London Metropolitan University, UK
- Respondents: **Alen Delić**, Student, FOI, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
**Tom Mortenson**, Higher Education Policy Analyst, The Pell Institute, USA  
**Andrée Sursock**, European University Association, Belgium
- 10:30 – 10:55 **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Parallel Paper Sessions 3**
- Paper 3.1 ***The International Baccalaureate and post-secondary access in Chicago***  
 Dr Brian Spittle, DePaul University, USA  
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***Sowing the seeds: the long term impact of early interventions***  
 Mrs Margaret Evans, University of Liverpool, UK

- Paper 3.2 ***“Yet another unfair advantage”*: how to monitor social selectivity of student exchange mobility**  
 Hannah Leichsenring & Anne-Kathrin Kreft, CHE Consult, Germany  
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***Distance education: opportunity for meeting skills needs for national development***  
 Ms Lydia Anowa Nyako, University of Ghana, Ghana
- Paper 3.3 ***Higher Education for social transformation: building the Access Partnership***  
 Mr Steve Kendall, University of Bedfordshire, UK  
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***Council of Educators of Toronto (CET): collaboration for access and outreach in higher education***  
 Ms Helen Tewolde, Council of Educators of Toronto, & Sabra Desai, Humber College, Canada
- Paper 3.4 ***Addressing the educational rights of the underrepresented or disconnected youth population***  
 Dr Sue Brown, New Mexico State University; Dr Deema de Silva & Ms Deltha Colvin, Wichita State University; Ms Paula Martin, Harlem Center for Education, USA  
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***Widening participation challenges and approaches in turbulent times***  
 Mrs Carole Nairn, University of Chichester, UK
- Paper 3.5 ***Aboriginal student access to post-secondary education***  
 Ms Adrienne Vedan & Mr Lyle Mueller, University of British Columbia Okanagan Campus, Canada  
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***How ‘whiteness’ causes barriers for all: issues of gender, class, ethnicity and educational disadvantage***  
 Dr Kate Hatton, University of the Arts London, UK
- 12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:30 **Plenary 3: University Rankings v Quality, Equity and Diversity**  
 Chair: **Prof Blaženka Divjak**, Vice-Rector for Students and Study Programmes, University of Zagreb, Croatia
- Speaker: ***“University Ranking is more”***  
**Prof Wolf Rauch**, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Economy, former Rector, Karl Franzens University, Graz, Austria
- Panel discussion:**  
***Top ranking, affordability, quality, equity and diversity: can we have it all?***
- Moderator: **Julie Hall**, Director, Learning & Teaching Enhancement, University of Roehampton, UK
- Panellists: **Denise Bett**, Treasurer, Equity Practitioners in Higher Education Australasia, Australia  
**Joseph Budu**, Registrar, University of Ghana, Africa  
**Luka Juroš**, member of the Bologna Follow-up Group, Croatia  
**Iva Šušak**, Student, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
**Prof Wolf Rauch**, Keynote Speaker
- 15:30 – 15:45 **Break**

15:45 – 16:45 **International Student Forum and EAN World Congress on Access to Education**  
**Dr Maureen Hoyler**, Council for Opportunity in Education, USA  
**Prof Stuart Billingham**, EAN World Congress Co-Director, UK

16:45 – 17:00 **Conference Conclusion & Summary**  
**Dr Michael Cooper**, Special Advisor, EAN, Sweden

## Saturday 30 June

08:00 **A day out to the Plitvice Lakes National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site**