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**DRC**  
Danube Rectors' Conference

**DRC ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2017**

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AS PROMOTERS OF EUSDR**

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**Danubius Award and Danubius  
Young Scientist Award Ceremony**

Date: November 9-10, 2017  
Venue: University of Zagreb  
Zagreb, Croatia



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#### Venue

University of Zagreb, Aula  
Trg Republike Hrvatske 14  
(former Trg maršala Tita)  
10000 Zagreb, Croatia

#### Date

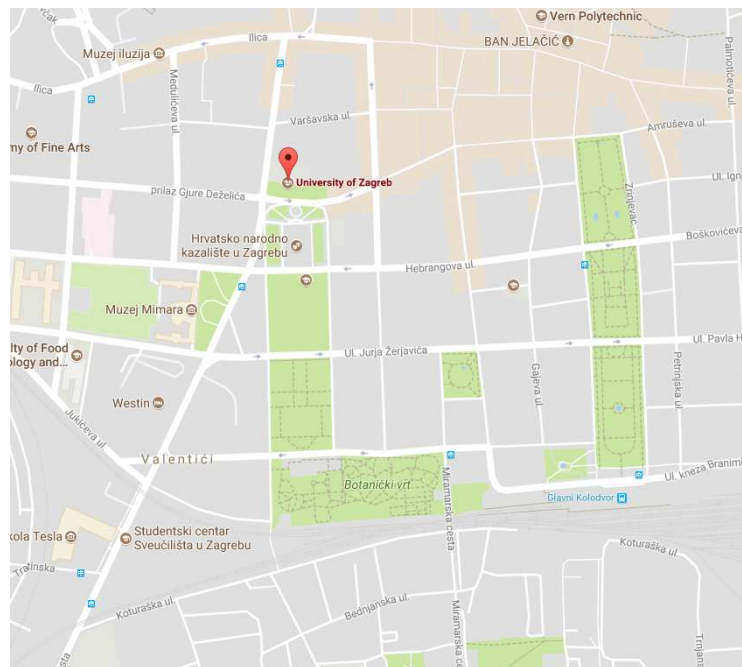
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#### Conference language

English

#### Registration

Please register until  
October 30, 2017 at:  
[rector@unizg.hr](mailto:rector@unizg.hr) and  
[skramar@unizg.hr](mailto:skramar@unizg.hr)



This conference hence question of responsibilities of universities of the Danube Region to promote the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) goals.



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## PROGRAMME

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017

Venue: Small Hall "Mala vijećnica", University of Zagreb, Trg Republike Hrvatske 14

15.30 **Registration**

16.00 - 18.00 **DRC Presidency and Permanent Committee Meeting**

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017

Venue: Aula, University of Zagreb, Trg Republike Hrvatske 14

08.30 **Registration**

#### **DRC Annual Conference**

09.00 - 09.30 ***Welcome addresses***

Prof. Dr. Damir BORAS  
Rector of the University of Zagreb

Mag. Friedrich FAULHAMMER  
DRC President, Rector Danube University Krems

Mrs. Jelena PAVIČIĆ VUKIČEVIĆ  
Deputy Mayor of the City of Zagreb

Mrs. Zrinka UJEVIĆ  
Assistant Minister for European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs

Prof. Dr. Ivana FRANIĆ  
Assistant Minister for Higher Education, Ministry of Science and Education

Mrs. Gabrijela ŽALAC  
Minister of Regional Development and EU Funds,  
Envoy of the President of the Government of the Republic of Croatia

Dr. Corina CRETU, [video address](#)  
EU Commissioner, Regional Policy, Brussels

Dr. Tibor NAVRACSICS, [video address](#)  
EU Commissioner, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, Brussels



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- 09.30 - 10.30 Ms. Fabienne GAULTIER, 'Doctoral education in Europe, policy developments and challenges'  
Head of Unit of the Open Science and ERA policy Unit, European Commission
- Prof. Dr. Miroslav VESKOVIĆ, "Cross-sectoral challenges and policy dialogue in the Danube Region"  
Scientific Expert, European Commission, Directorate General Joint Research Centre (JRC)
- Moderation**  
Prof. Dr. Iris Goldner Lang  
University of Zagreb Faculty of Law
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 – 12.30 **Session 1 – *Development capacities and social dimensions of education***
- Prof. Dr. Ivan SVETLIK, "How to strengthen human resources development capacities in the region?"  
Former Rector of the University of Ljubljana and President of the Council of the Regional Platform for Benchmarking and Cooperation in Higher Education and Research
- Prof. Dr. Milena ŽIC FUCHS, "Possible Areas of Regional Collaborations within Wider EU Frameworks"  
University of Zagreb Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Academia Europaea, Member of the High Level Group on Maximising Impact of EU Research and Innovation Programmes
- Moderation**  
Prof. Dr. Ivana Čuković-Bagić  
Vice-Rector for Students, Study Programmes and Quality Management, University of Zagreb
- 12.30 – 14.00 Lunch break at the Museum of Arts and Crafts Restaurant, Trg Republike Hrvatske 10



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14.00 - 16.00 **Session 2 – Promotion of Danube Region through research and innovation**

Prof. Dr. Miloš JUDAŠ, “Position of Croatia in European Research Area”  
Vice-Rector for Science, Inter-Institutional Cooperation and International Relations,  
University of Zagreb

Prof. Dr. Slobodan VUKIČEVIĆ, “Promotion and cooperation through research -  
Osteogrow: A novel drug for bone regeneration”  
University of Zagreb School of Medicine, Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts

Prof. Dr. Vedran SLAPNIČAR, “Joint Icebreaking Force – South-East EU Ice Breaking Force  
SEEJIF?”  
University of Zagreb Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture

Dr. Vlatka PETROVIĆ, “Danube Region on the Innovation Map - Experiences and  
Opportunities”  
Acting Head of the Centre for Research, Development and Technology Transfer of the  
University of Zagreb

**Moderation**

Prof. Dr. Miloš JUDAŠ  
Vice-Rector for Science, Inter-Institutional Cooperation and  
International Relations, University of Zagreb

16.00 - 16.30 **Closing remarks**

Prof. Dr. Ferenc HUDECZ  
DRC Honorary President

16.30 - 17.00 Coffee break

17.00 – 18.00 **Danubius Award and Danubius Young Scientist Award Ceremony**

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18.00 – 19.00 Get together and sightseeing walk offered by tourist guides and University staff from  
University building to Palace “Dverce”

19.00 - 20.30 Evening Reception at Palace “Dverce”, Katarinin trg 6



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## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2017

Venue: Hall "Velika vijećnica", University of Zagreb, Trg Republike Hrvatske 14

08.30 Info desk

09.00 **General Assembly**

Prof. Dr. Kurt DEKETELAERE, "Recent developments in EU Research, Innovation and Education Policies, with emphasis on FP 9, the Budget and Brexit"  
Secretary-General of the League of European Research Universities

12.00 Lunch

13.30 Afternoon free or sightseeing

### **SIDE-MEETING VENUE**

For all types of side-meetings during the conference there is Small Hall "Mala vijećnica" available.