PROGRAMME

DANUBE RECTORS´ CONFERENCE, November 8 – 9, 2018

Universities as the Centres of Regional Development
Comenius University in Bratislava, Šafárikovo námestie 6, Bratislava

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018

15.30 - 16.00 Registration
16.00 - 18.00 DRC Presidency and Permanent Committee Meeting
Venue: Rector’s Meeting Room, 1st floor, New University Building
18.00 Informal dinner for Presidency and Permanent Committee
Venue: Tulip Café & Restaurant at Roset Boutique Hotel, Štúrova street n.10, in walking distance 10 min. from Comenius University

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018

08.30 Registration
Venue: 1st floor Historical University Building

DRC Annual Conference
Venue: Rector’s Hall, 1st floor of Historical University Building

08.30 - 09.00 Coffee and refreshment
Venue: Meeting room of Scientific Board, 1st floor of Historical University Building

09.00 - 09.30 Welcome addresses:
prof. RNDr. Karol Mičieta, PhD., Rector Comenius University, DRC Vice-President
Mgr. Jozef Jurkovič, Director General for Higher Education at Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of Slovak Republic

09.30 - 10.30 Key note speakers:
JUDr. Maroš Šefčovič, PhD., Vice-President of the European Commission, in charge of Energy Union - Video opening speech

“Universities and Danube Region: challenges and opportunities after 7 years of Danube Region Strategy implementation”
doc. RNDr. Ladislav Miko, PhD., Head of Representation of the European Commission in Slovakia

10.30 - 10.40 Common photography in Assembly hall, 1st floor of Historical University Building
10.40 - 11.00 Coffee break
Venue: 1st floor, Meeting Room of the Scientific Board of Comenius University
11.00 - 12.30 Session 1
35th anniversary of DRC:
Mag. Friedrich Faulhammer, DRC President, Rector Danube University Krems, Austria

“Challenges and responsibilities for DRC”
Prof. Ferenc Hudec, PhD., D.Sc., honorary president DRC, ELTE, Budapest, Hungary

15th anniversary DRC Summer schools
Mag. Sebastian Schäffer, MA, DRC Secretary General

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch
Venue: Sheraton Bratislava Hotel, in walking distance 10 min. from Comenius University

13.30 - 14.30 Session 2
„Preparation of imprinted polymer beads as selective sorbents for efficient ground water purification from Vrakuňa dump“
Mgr. Juraj Filo, PhD. & research team, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Comenius University, in Bratislava, Slovakia

"Prospects of filamentous fungi in remediation of metal(loid)-contaminated environments"
RNDr. Martin Urík, PhD., Comenius University, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Bratislava, Slovakia, recipient Danubius Young Scientist Award 2015

"Blockchain in Education - How can blockchain transform credentialing"
Davor Orlic, MA, Chief Operation Officer, Knowledge 4 All Foundation, Redhill, Surrey, UK

14.30 - 15.00 Coffee break
Venue: 1st floor, Meeting Room of the Scientific Board of Comenius University

15.00 - 17.00 Danubius Award & Danubius Young Scientist Award Ceremony

Mag. Barbara Weitgruber, MA Director General for Scientific Research and International Relations, Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Research (BMBWF)

Dr. Erhard Busek, Former Vice Chancellor, Chairman of the Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM), Doctor honoris causa (Dr. h. c.) award at Comenius University in Bratislava (1994)

Prof. Dr. Miroslav Vesković, Coordination of scientific support to macro-regional strategies, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC)
17.30 - 19.00 Bratislava guided tour (optional), meeting point at main entrance of Historical University Building

19.00 – 22.00 Dinner
Venue: Old city center, Primate’s Palace, Primaciálné námestie 1, 814 99, Bratislava

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2018

08.30 – 11.00 Coffee and refreshment
Venue: Meeting room of Scientific Board, 1st floor of Historical University Building

09.00 - 12.00 General Assembly
Venue: Rector’s Hall, 1st floor of Historical University Building
Mag. Friedrich Faulhammer, DRC President, Rector Danube University
Mag. Sebastian Schäffer, MA, DRC Secretary General

12.00 - Lunch
Venue: Sheraton Bratislava Hotel, in walking distance 10 min. from Comenius University

13.30 Afternoon free programme