



Media invitation: EUA Annual Conference – The sustainability of European universities

University of Warwick, United Kingdom, 22-23 March 2012

The European University Association (EUA) is pleased to invite you to its 2012 Annual Conference, taking place at the University of Warwick from 22 to 23 March. The Annual Conference is a unique occasion for university management, researchers, and policy makers to discuss solutions to current challenges and define future priorities.

This year's conference theme of sustainability is a crucial issue for the future of higher education in Europe. As European governments face up to the deepest financial crisis in a generation, Europe's higher education systems are coming under increasing stress. And yet universities are expected to play a vital role in leading the research and education that will form the building blocks of Europe's future prosperity.

In the different Plenary Sessions, policy makers and opinion leaders from higher education and industry will discuss the most important elements of 'sustainability' for individual universities and for the sector, while specific themes such as tuition fees, sustainable campuses and the importance of collaborative research will be tackled in working group sessions.

Amongst those due to give keynote presentations are philanthropist George Soros (Chairman of Soros Fund Management), and Professor Helena Nazaré – who will take up her new role as EUA President during the conference. She will take over from the outgoing EUA President Professor Jean-Marc Rapp, who has held this post since 2009. For more information about the conference or to see the preliminary programme, please visit: www.eua.be/warwick

Please note that prior registration is necessary for journalists, as the number of places is limited.

To register, please send an email to andrew.miller@eua.be

Please note that unfortunately EUA cannot pay accommodation and travel costs for this event.

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