



**LEAD Academic Network
Symposium on Academic Leadership & Internationalisation**

**4 July 2024
Vrije Universiteit Brussel**

Y.4.01 Raadzaal, Pleinlaan 2, 1050 Brussels

draft program

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| 9.30-11.00 | | |
| <i>Session 1: Opening and keynote on Academic Leadership & Internationalisation</i> | | |
| Chair: Anthony Antoine, Executive Director, School of Governance, Vrije Universiteit Brussel | | |
| 9.30-9.40 | Presentation LEAD Academic Network | |
| 9.40-10.00 | Keynote Presentation: <i>New Global Challenges For Higher Education Ask For New Visionary Leadership</i> | Prof. Lucien Bollaert, International QA expert; Education Quality Board, Ghent University |
| 10.00-10.20 | Keynote presentation: <i>Inclusive Academic Leadership Development in the Global Context</i> | Prof. Marieta du Plessis, Department of Industrial Psychology, University of the Western Cape, South Africa |
| 10.20-10.40 | Keynote presentation: <i>The important role of university networks to strengthen academic leadership</i> | Prof. Luciano Saso, Secretary General of the UNICA network of the Universities from the Capitals of Europe, former Deputy Rector Sapienza University of Rome |

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| 10.40-10.55 | Keynote presentation: What are the critical pillars for attaining strong academic leadership in a growing University? The case of Mountains of the Moon University | Prof. Pius Coxwell Achanga, Vice Chancellor, Mountains of the Moon University, Uganda |
| 10.55-11.00 | Group photo | |
| 11.00-11.20 | Coffee break | |
| 11.20-12.20 | | |
| Session 2: Theme Panel on Academic Leadership and Internationalization | | |
| Chair: Prof. Chang Zhu, LEAD Academic Network, EU-China Higher Education Research Center, Vrije Universiteit Brussel | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. João Amaro de Matos, Vice Rector, Universidade Nova De Lisboa • Prof. Vinayagum Chinapah, former Chair Institute of International Education, Stockholm University; former Director of the Joint UNESCO-UNICEF International Program on Monitoring the Quality of Education and Learning Achievement • Prof. Marc THEEBOOM, Chair Research Group Sport & Society, Vrije Universiteit Brussel • Prof. Luc Taerwe, Director East Asia Platform, Ghent University • Prof. KAN Yue, Dean, College of Education, Zhejiang University | | |

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| 12.30-13.45 | Lunch | |
| 14.00-15.00 | | |
| Session 3 | | |
| Theme Symposium: Research Policies, Collaboration and the Impact of Research | | |
| Chair: Prof. Marc THEEBOOM, Chair Research Group Sport & Society, Vrije Universiteit Brussel | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Marieta du Plessis, Department of Industrial Psychology, University of the Western Cape • Prof. CAI Sanfa, Director, Institute of Higher Education, Tongji University • Prof. Wei-Hong ZHANG, Professor of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, Academic coordinator of East Asia Platform, Ghent University | | |

- Prof. Saritas Eyup, Chinese Language and Literature, Istanbul University
- Prof. ZHANG Dengsong, Executive Vice Dean, College of Sciences, Shanghai University

15.20-16.20

Session 4

Network roundtable partners: experience sharing & partnership

Chair: Zhengwen Qi, EU-China Higher Education Research Center, LEAD Academic Network, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

- Prof. Luciano Saso, Secretary General, UNICA
- Prof. João Amaro de Matos, NOVA University
- Prof. LIU Bowen, Beijing Institute of Education
- Xiaohong TONG, International Relations Officer, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Prof. WU Wei, Zhejiang University
- Prof. CHU Zuwang, China University of Geosciences (Wuhan)
- Prof. Pius Coxwell Achanga, Mountains of the Moon University
- Prof. Marieta du Plessis, University of the Western Cape
- Prof. FU Shaoqiang, Communication University of China
- Prof. ZHANG Duanhong, Tongji University
- Prof. DUAN Shifei, Zhejiang University
- Prof. Luc Taerwe, Ghent University
- Prof. PU Lijuan, Faculty of Education, Yunnan Normal University
- Prof. LIU Hong, Fudan University

16.20-16.30

- **Concluding words: Prof. Antonio Rendas, Former Rector, Universidade Nova De Lisboa; President of the Board of Trustees of the Portuguese Agency for Accreditation and Evaluation in Higher Education; Board member of Trustees of the Aga Khan University**



The LEAD Academic Network is an international and interdisciplinary platform of collaboration among academics and academic leaders for discussing and shared learning of theories, research and practice of academic leadership, university governance, and capacity building of academics and academic leaders.

The Network aims to support the advancement of academic leadership through research-based knowledge and networked learning, and to create a community with shared interests in producing and disseminating academic leadership knowledge and experiences and linking research to academic leadership practices.
