



Università
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ERASMUS STAFF WEEK

UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA – 3RD EDITION

MARCH 31ST – 5TH APRIL, 2014

The third edition of **ERASMUS STAFF WEEK** at the **University of Catania** is addressed to administrative and academic staff dealing with international cooperation and exchange programs.

Our main goal is to provide international colleagues with a stimulating working environment within an international dimension based on **excellence and innovation**, both key elements for educational institutions development. Therefore, the week long program includes group sessions, panels and round tables on **internationalization strategies, incoming services, cooperation and research design and management, networking activities**. Moreover, we will provide you with a real and interactive perspective of academic and cultural life, through best practice days within some of our most interesting structures such as the School of Excellence, Physics and Humanities departments.

«« **HIGHER EDUCATION
INTERNATIONAL
ISSUES AND TRENDS**

**TRADITION AND
INNOVATION**



Since its foundation in 1434, the University of Catania has been a **dynamic, innovative and intercultural center of higher education**. Nowadays, in line with this rich academic tradition, our university is committed in the creation of a "laboratory" where the ancient **Mediterranean culture** meets the **new technologies and advanced research achievements**.

FACTS AND FIGURES »»

More than 55.000 students
More than 100 International agreements
More than 400 Erasmus partners universities



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UNICT STAFF WEEK PROGRAMME

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MARCH 31, MONDAY

Venue: Aula Magna Rectorate

INTERNATIONALISATION STRATEGIES

- 9:00 Registration
- 9:30 Official Welcome Session
Trends and strategy of Internationalization
- 10:00 IRO Presentation
The International Relations Office structure and team
- 10:30 International coffee-break, with typical traditional "specialties" from the participants' countries
- 11:00 Presentations of the Participants' Universities
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:30 Visit and presentation of *Scuola Superiore*

APRIL 1, TUESDAY

Venue: Meeting room 2nd floor Palazzo Sangiuliano

INCOMING SERVICES

(with the collaboration of AEGEE and ESN Catania)

- 9:00 Crash course of Italian
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:15 Round table on welcoming activities:
Incoming Mobility and the role of student associations
- 12:45 Presentation: "Catania virtual tour"
- 13:30 Lunch
- 15:00 Welcome of ERSU and visit to "Caronda" University Residence

APRIL 2, WEDNESDAY

Venue: Dept. of Humanities - Monastero dei Benedettini

COOPERATION ACTIVITIES

- 9:00 Welcome of the Department of Humanities

- 9:15 Erasmus Plus perspectives
Erasmus Agreements
IP projects
- 10:15 Cooperation agreements and programmes
Best practices at UNICT: Auburn Cooperation and Beyond Frontiers projects
- 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:45 Best practices at partner universities
- 12:15 Visit of Monastero dei Benedettini

APRIL 3, THURSDAY

Venue: Dept. of Physics

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH

- 9:00 Panel on International Research
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 Presentation of the Department of Physics
- 12:00 Visit of the Astrophysics Observatory
- 13:00 Lunch
- 15:00 Optional visit to the CUTGANA

APRIL 4, FRIDAY

Venue: International Relations Office

NETWORKING

- 9:30 Group sessions and discussion about topics of interest to be proposed by participants
- 12:30 Lunch
- 14:30 Individual meetings with representatives of the UNICT Departments depending on the participants' specific interests
- 16:30 Optional Catania Bus Tour

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