

United Nations Academic Impact Newsletter

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Dear UNA-I Members,

In our first operational year, a number of you have reached out to inform us about events you are organizing, asking that we share with the membership at large.

Rather than sending numerous messages, we thought we would try and collect these event announcements and send them on a regular basis.

We therefore are pleased to share with you the first issue of the UNA-I Newsletter.

Your feedback on this Newsletter would be much appreciated. We welcome your input and suggestions which we invite you to send to academicimpact@un.org

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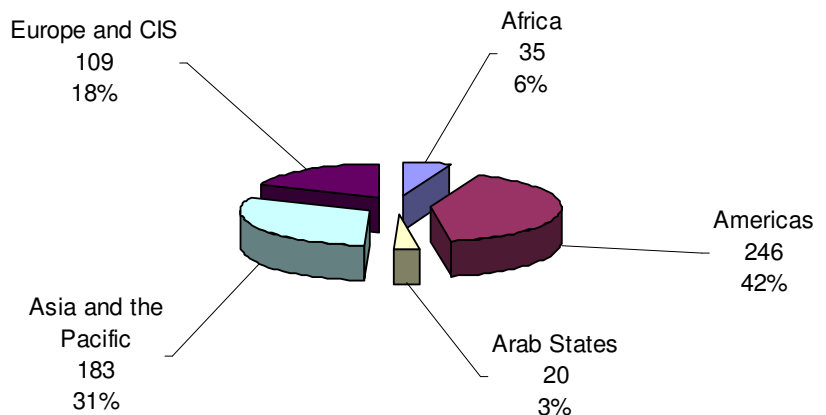
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UNA-I Update

UNA-I membership: close to 600 members!

Our list of members keeps growing. We now have close to 600 members in 98 countries.

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Universities can play a central role in promoting all the UN's goals. This is why I established the UN Academic Impact initiative last year. UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, 4 April 2011

UNAI Hubs Update			
Principle	Country	Institution	
1	Commitment to the UN Charter	Japan	J.F. Oberlin University
2	Human rights	USA	Benedict College (South Carolina)
3	Education opportunity for all	Pakistan	Lahore University of Management Sciences
4	Higher education opportunity for every interested individual	Israel	Hadassah College
5	Capacity-building in higher education systems	Republic of Korea	Handong Global University
6	Global citizenship	USA	Lehigh University
7	Peace and conflict resolution	India	Calcutta University
8	Addressing poverty	South Africa	University of Kwazulu-Natal
9	Sustainability	Romania	Black Sea University Network
10	Inter-cultural dialogue and understanding and the unlearning of intolerance	Ecuador	Escuela Politécnica Javeriana del Ecuador

• 17 March 2011: Black Sea University Network launches **UNAI Sustainability portal** during the International Conference on "Education & Governance for Sustainable Development"

www.unai-sustainability.org

All UNAI members are invited to join!

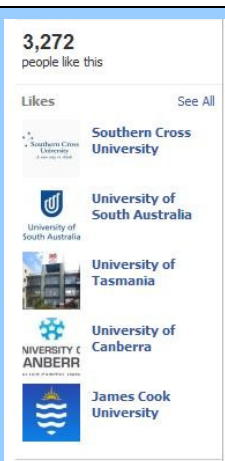


SOME UPCOMING EVENTS BY UNAI MEMBERS

King's College (Pennsylvania, USA) invites all interested domestic and international academics and students to participate in an interactive discussion on "Enhancing Psychological Health by Confronting Personal Stress. Academic and Inter-cultural Issues". On **April 18**, 3pm (NAESTime) the focus will be on applying basic psychological principles or personality dynamics and dysfunctions to everyday human problems. In order to register please write michelemvella@gmail.com.

Universidad del Turabo (Puerto Rico)
The 4th CIEMADeS International Conference **May 5-7th** will use a multi-disciplinary approach to describe and analyze the environmental and economic viability of the electrical interconnection of the Caribbean power systems and discuss its technical, environmental and economic aspects.
<http://tinyurl.com/626fd62>
www.ut.pr

The **UNESCO European Centre for Higher Education (CEPES)** and The **Department UNESCO Chair in Inter-cultural and Inter-religious Exchanges at the University of Bucharest (Romania)**: International conference on « Eurasian Inter-university Dialogues on Cooperation for Higher Education Development », Bucharest, 27-28 May 2011.
http://www.cepes.ro/themes/global_dialogues/eurasian/conference.pdf



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