



EUROPEAN ACCESS NETWORK

Invitation to participate in the **online Pre-Conference Workshop on Oct 21st, 2020 (5 P.M. CET)**
"Economic aspects of the pandemic for higher education institutions"
as prequel to the 29th EAN Annual Conference in Oct 2020.

About the European Access Network (EAN)

The European Access Network encourages wider access to higher education for those who are currently under-represented, whether for reasons of gender, ethnic origin, nationality, age, disability, family background, vocational training, geographic location, or earlier educational disadvantage. The EAN is the only European-wide, non-governmental organisation for widening participation in higher education. It is organised for educational purposes and operates under English Law. Membership is open to all those with an interest in widening access.

About the 29th EAN Annual Conference

We live in exceptional times. All over the world governments, higher education institutions and other organizations are figuring out how to organize our society in the post-pandemic period. What can we learn from COVID-19, what are the opportunities and what are the pitfalls in deciding how to organize our future society? With this conference we want to look at the challenges and the opportunities presented by the pandemia. How will higher education institutions in general and higher education in relation to widening access in particular cope with the impact on access to higher education? What has/will widen the gap, and where are the opportunities to close the gap?



Oct 21, 2020



- Discussion on economic aspects of the pandemic for higher education institutions
- date and time: October 21st, 2020, 5 P.M. (CET)
- Duration: 1.5 - 2 hours (online discussion | via ZOOM)
- Participants: 8-10 participants by invitation
- Chair: Prof. Dr. Iris Lorscheid

Output: Conclusions, ideas, proposals on the topic - input for the open panel session at the 29th EAN Annual Conference

Summary formulated & distributed by the workshop chair to the participants of the EAN Conference (optional contribution by the workshop participants)



Oct 27, 2020



- Open discussion on economic aspects of the pandemic for higher education institutions
- date: October 27th, 2020, 5 P.M. (CET)
- Duration: max. 2 hours (online discussion | via ZOOM)
- Participants: Open for registration (no fees)
- Chair: Prof. Dr. Iris Lorscheid
- Chair summarizes the results from the workshop and guides the discussion
- Optional: Participants of the pre-conference workshop are welcome to provide their opinions prior to the session or during the session (time for a statement of 5-10 min).



Contact Workshop Chair: Prof. Dr. Iris Lorscheid (iris.lorscheid@ue-germany.com)

The platform for the online workshops and panel sessions will be prepared and operated by the Adam Mickiewicz University (AMU) in Poznan, Poland. AMU will also prepare a registration panel for the participants of the panel sessions. EAN 2020 is the 29th annual conference of the EAN community.