



ENHANCE VP RESEARCH MEETING

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General Information



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Programme Day 1 | 12th November

Doctoral Schools & Legal Advisors

Hydromechanics Building (No 11), 11/12 G. Narutowicza Str., 80-233 Gdańsk

09:00 – 09:20 | Conference Room, 1st floor (hybrid meeting)

Opening

Welcome by Rector Krzysztof Wilde and round of introductions.

09:20 – 11:00 | Conference Room, 1st floor (hybrid meeting)

Doctoral Schools - Institutional Grounding - Partner presentations

Moderator: prof Robert Jankowski, Director of Doctoral School, Gdańsk Tech
Representatives of doctoral schools, legal advisors, research offices and other university units will discuss how doctoral training is conducted at ENHANCE member universities. Understanding of institutional grounding of doctoral schools, such as their structure (central or faculty/department unit), responsibilities, authority, governance and decision making processes, as well as identifying the challenges doctoral schools face at the institutional level, will facilitate future collaboration within ENHANCE. Each ENHANCE member university is asked to present their framework in accordance with the presentation template (10 -15 min per partner, presentations in the alphabetical order).

11:00 – 11:30 | Conference Room, 1st floor

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 | Conference Room, 1st floor (hybrid meeting)

Doctoral Schools - Institutional Grounding - Discussion

Moderator: prof Robert Jankowski, Director of Doctoral School, Gdańsk Tech
Discussions on the institutional grounding of doctoral schools. Best practice sharing, possible challenges in international collaboration within the ENHANCE alliance.

13:00 – 14:00 | Conference Room, 1st floor

Lunch



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14:00 – 15:40 | [Conference Room, 1st floor \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

Support for Young Researchers - Partner Presentations

Moderator: prof Ewa Lechman, Deputy Director for Education, Quality and PQF, Gdańsk Tech
Sharing best practice related to institutional support for young researchers (including doctoral students/candidates) addressing: i) diversity of academic career pathways; ii) mentoring/training programmes aiming at the development of teaching, research, leadership, open science and digital skills and competencies; iii) Activities and incentives shaping engaged scientist. Each ENHANCE member university is asked to present their programmes and ideas in accordance with the presentation template (10 -15 min per partner, presentations in the alphabetical order).

15:40 – 16:10 | [Conference Room, 1st floor](#)

Coffee break

16:10 – 17:30 | [Conference Room, 1st floor \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

ENHANCE for and with Young Researchers - Joint Discussion

Moderator: prof Ewa Lechman, Doctoral School Deputy Director for Education, Quality and PQF, Gdańsk Tech
Representative of a Young Researchers group will present the results of the workshop that will reflect on the needs and expectations of young researchers that can be addressed by the ENHANCE alliance and embedded in the next project application. This presentation will be followed by a discussion on challenges and opportunities, and the proposal of future activities supporting young researchers.

19:00 | [Mezaliens Restaurant](#), **Address:** Świętego Ducha 66, 80-834 Gdańsk

Dinner (self-paid)



Programme Day 1 | 12th November

Young Researchers (Doctoral students/candidates) - Young Researchers Workshop

Hydromechanics Building (No 11), 11/12 G. Narutowicza Str., 80-233 Gdańsk

We will reflect on the needs and expectations of young researchers that can be addressed by the ENHANCE alliance and embedded in the next project application. Results of the workshop will be presented and discussed at the meeting of representatives of doctoral schools, legal advisors, research offices and other university units supporting young researchers.

09:30 – 10:00 | Creative Room, Ground floor

Opening

Welcome by Rector Krzysztof Wilde and round of introductions.

10:00 – 11:00 | Creative Room, Ground floor

Needs and expectations of Young Researchers, current ENHANCE actions

- Reflections from the survey diagnosing the types of barriers faced by young researchers at Gdańsk Tech - Agnieszka Lendzion, Young Researchers Office
- ENHANCE Programmes: Research Internship , Mentoring Open Science Hub - Aleksandra Drelicharz, ENHANCE Office

11:00 – 11:30 | Conference Room, 1st floor

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 | Creative Room, Ground floor

ENHANCE for Young Researchers - workshops - Part I - mapping the needs

Moderator: Dr Nina Rizun, Faculty of Management and Economics, Gdańsk Tech

13:00 – 14:00 | Conference Room, 1st floor

Lunch

14:00 – 15:40 | Creative Room, Ground floor

ENHANCE for Young Researchers - workshops - Part II - Brainstorming possible actions

Moderator: Dr Nina Rizun, Faculty of Management and Economics, Gdańsk Tech

15:40 – 16:10 | Conference Room, 1st floor

Coffee break

19:00 | Mezalians Restaurant, Address: Świętego Ducha 66, 80-834 Gdańsk

Dinner (self-paid)

Programme Day 2 | 13th November

Doctoral Schools, Legal Advisors, Research WG Members, VP for Research

11:30 – 13:00 | Building No 11, Conference Room, 1st floor (hybrid meeting)

Legal challenges in Research collaboration (Legal Advisors and interested representatives)

Moderator: legal counsel Jacek Olszewski, Coordinator of legal counsels, Rector's Office, Gdańsk Tech Proposed topics include:

- Legal challenges faced by university lawyers and advisors in international projects - roles and responsibilities of academics and university administration, communication, and decision-making;
- Science/business interface - legal challenges;
- Effective cooperation between ENHANCE universities - defining challenges, proposals from ENHANCE partners.

13:00 – 14:00 | Main Building No 1, Fahrenheit Courtyard

Lunch and arrival of VP Research/delegates

14:00 – 16:00 | Building No 11, Conference Room, 1st floor (hybrid meeting)

ENHANCE Research Activities & Support for Young Researchers

Moderator: prof Dariusz Mikieliewicz, Vice-Rector for Research, Gdańsk Tech

- Welcome and Introduction Round
- Next project call requirements - Naveed Syed, Secretary General, the ENHANCE Alliance
- Ongoing ENHANCE Research Activities - ENHANCE Research Internship Programme, ENHANCE Mentoring Programmes, ENHANCE Open Science Hub, MSCA DN applications - prof Justyna Lubońska, ENHANCE Steering Committee member, Rector's Representative for International Educational Programs, Gdańsk Tech
- ENHANCE for and with Young Researchers - summary of the Young Researchers workshop and the Young Researchers Day - Aleksandra Ławniczak & Paulina Chobot, PhD students, Gdańsk Tech



Programme Day 2 | 13th November

16:00 – 16:30 | Building No 11, Conference Room, 1st floor

Coffee break

16:30 – 18:00 | Building No 11, Conference Room, 1st floor (hybrid meeting)

PhD Student/Candidate Supervision - Partner Presentations

Moderator: prof Ewa Lechman, Doctoral School Deputy Director for Education, Quality and PQF, Gdańsk Tech
Session explores the similarities and differences in the doctoral supervision provided at the ENHANCE member universities. Three key questions should be addressed during presentation:

- What are the formal requirements for PhD Supervisors (who can become a PhD supervisor)?
- How are PhD Supervisors assessed/evaluated?
- Are there any training programmes offered to PhD Supervisors? Is the training mandatory or elective?

18:15 | Front yard, Main Building

Transfer to Eureka Hotel (for Colleagues staying in this hotel)

20:00 | Restaurant MUDO Sopot, Franciszka Mamuszek Avenue 2

Dinner and informal discussions (hosted by Gdańsk Tech)



Young Researchers Day

150 participants (PhD students and postdocs from Gdańsk Tech) + ENHANCE Young Researchers and invited guests

Young Researchers Day is an undertaking that responds to the needs reported by employees and doctoral students of the University. It is a place for integrating the academic community, reducing the distance, and establishing cooperation between early-career researchers. It is a cyclical event planned in the HR4R Strategy of Gdańsk Tech for 2022-2025.

08:30 – 9:30 | [Main Building, Hevelius Courtyard](#)

Registration

09:30 – 9:45 | [Main Building, Hevelius Courtyard](#)

Welcoming by Vice-Rector for Research of Gdańsk University of Technology, prof Dariusz Mikielewicz

09:45 – 11:00 | [Main Building, Hevelius Courtyard](#)

Presentations:

- Introduction - What is ENHANCE? prof. Justyna Lubońska, ENHANCE Office, Gdańsk Tech
- ENHANCE offers for Young Researchers - Aleksandra Drelicharz, ENHANCE Office, Gdańsk Tech
- Summary of the proposal: ENHANCE for and with Young Researchers (needs & future actions) - Paulina Chobot, PhD student, Gdańsk Tech

11:00 – 11:30 | [Main Building, Fahrenheit Courtyard](#)

Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00 | [Main Building, Hevelius Courtyard](#)

Panel discussion: Beyond Borders: Young Researchers shaping international collaboration.

Few insights on how to embrace ENHANCE potential to step from exchange to academic partnership.

Moderator: prof. Ewa Lechman, Doctoral School Deputy Director for Education, Quality and PQF, Gdańsk Tech

Panelists:

- prof. Dariusz Mikielwicz, Vice-rector for Research, Gdańsk Tech,
- prof. Lynne Paula Yenush, Director of the Doctoral School, UPV
- Arturo Winter, PhD candidate, ETH Zurich
- Miguel Delso Páez (PhD Candidate Gdansk Tech)

Panel discussion will be followed by a Q&A session.

13:00 – 14:00 | [Main Building, Fahrenheit Courtyard](#)

Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 | [Main Building, Hevelius Courtyard](#)

Science Speed Dating - networking opportunity for early-career researchers

Programme Day 3 | 14th November

Doctoral Schools, Legal Advisors, Research WG Members, VP for Research

8:15 | [Front yard, Hotel EUREKA](#)

Transfer to Gdańsk University of Technology (for Colleagues staying in this hotel)

Location: Hydromechanics Building (No 11)

09:00 – 10:00 | [Conference Room, 1st floor](#)

Proposal for the ENHANCE Research WG

Moderator: prof. Justyna Lubońska, ENHANCE Steering Committee member, Gdańsk Tech

Discussion on the establishment of a dedicated ENHANCE Research WG responsible for coordination and planning of the future actions of the ENHANCE alliance related to research collaboration.

10:00 – 11:00 | [Conference Room, 1st floor \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

Cotutelle – Mapping the Interest and Best Practices / Case Studies – part I

Moderator: Michał Morski, Head of the Doctoral School Office, WUT

Discussion related to possible collaboration regarding joint doctorates (joint supervision and joint/double doctoral degrees). ENHANCE member universities are invited to share their interest and experience. Partner presentations are welcome.

11:00 – 11.30 | [Main Building , Fahrenheit Courtyard](#)

Coffee break

11:30 – 12:30 | [Conference Room, 1st floor \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

Cotutelle – Mapping the Interest and Best Practices / Case Studies – part II

Moderator: Michał Morski, Head of the Doctoral School Office, WUT

Discussion related to possible collaboration regarding joint doctorates (joint supervision and joint/double doctoral degrees). ENHANCE member universities are invited to share their interest and experience. Partner presentations are welcome.



Parallel sessions:

12:30 – 13:45 | [Creative Room, Ground floor \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

Legal challenges in Research collaboration (Legal Advisors and other interested participants)

Moderator: legal counsel Jacek Olszewski, Coordinator of legal counsels, Rector's Office, Gdańsk Tech

Continuation of previous discussions. Proposed topics include:

- Legal challenges faced by university lawyers and advisors in international projects – roles and responsibilities of academics and university administration, communication, and decision-making;
- Science/business interface – legal challenges;
- Effective cooperation between ENHANCE universities – defining challenges, proposals from ENHANCE partners.

12:30 – 13:45 | [Conference Room, 1st floor \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

Future collaboration of Doctoral Schools - Next Steps (Doctoral Schools and other interested participants)

Moderator: prof Robert Jankowski, Director of Doctoral School, Gdańsk Tech

Proposal for the future actions related to collaboration between Doctoral Schools of the ENHANCE alliance, such as support for young researchers, PhD supervisors, joint events, communication channels. ENHANCE Mentoring Programme for PhD supervisors.

12:45 – 13:45 | [Main Building, Senate Hall, 2nd floor](#)

Future ENHANCE Research Activities (closed session for VP Research / delegates)

Moderator: prof Dariusz Mikieliewicz, Vice-Rector for Research, Gdańsk Tech

Discussion on research collaboration within the ENHANCE alliance. Topics and proposed dates of the next VP Research meeting.

13:45 – 15:00 | [Conference Room, 1st floor](#)

Lunch

15:00 | [Conference Room, 1st floor](#)

Partner Discussions (optional)

[Departure](#)

Programme Day 3 | 14th November

Young Researchers

08:45 | Front yard, Main Building

Transfer to Hotel EUREKA

9:30 – 11:00 | Hotel EUREKA, Sopot

Ideas for the next grant proposal

Young Researchers' representatives and prof Ewa Lechman will report on the results of the ENHANCE Research Activities & Support for Young Researchers session. Based on the feedback received from different stakeholders, including VP Research, Doctoral Schools, and early-career researchers, ENHANCE actions supporting young researchers for the next grant proposal will be identified. These concepts will be passed to the ENHANCE Advisory Assembly.

11:00 – 11:30 | Hotel EUREKA, Sopot

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:15 | Hotel EUREKA, Sopot

Networking activities, pub-quiz

13:15 | Front yard, Hotel EUREKA

Transfer to Gdańsk Tech

13:45 – 15:00 | Hydromechanics Building (No 11), Conference Room, 1st floor

Lunch

Departure

Campus Map

Main Building

Number 1

Senate Hall, Main Building

Number 1

Fahrenheit Courtyard, Main Building

Number 1

Hevelius Courtyard, Main Building

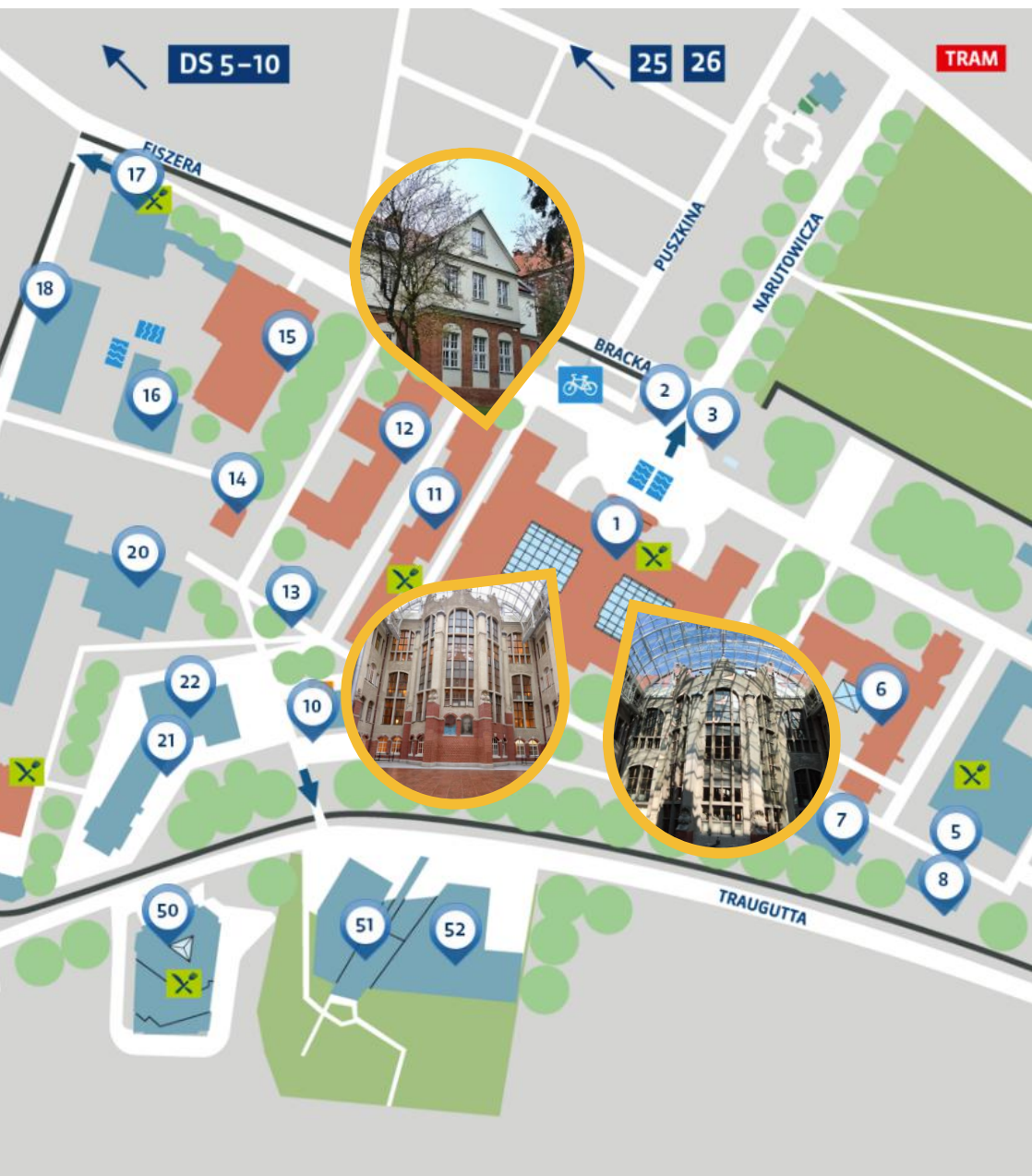
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