

CIVICA

THE EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY OF
SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bocconi
University

Central
European
University

European
University
Institute

Hertie
School

IE
University

National
University of
Political Studies
and Public
Administration

Sciences Po

SGH Warsaw
School of
Economics

Stockholm
School of
Economics

The London
School of
Economics and
Political Science

The European Universities initiative

- EU flagship initiative launched in 2017 to build and integrate the **European Education Area** and the **European Research Area**
- Pan-European alliances that shape the universities of the future to **boost the excellence** dimension of higher education, research and innovation
- **44 European University alliances** involving **340 higher education institutions**
- After a 3-year pilot phase, CIVICA was selected in July 2022 to receive further support from Erasmus+ for the next four years (2022-2026)
- Additional funding opportunities for research cooperation under Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe



CIVICA members

A ten-member alliance founded on long-standing ties, reflecting the diversity of European higher education



**Università
Bocconi**
MILANO

Italy



CEU CENTRAL
EUROPEAN
UNIVERSITY

Austria



EUI EUROPEAN
UNIVERSITY
INSTITUTE

Intergovernmental



Hertie School

Germany



UNIVERSITY

Spain

new member as of October 2022



Romania

SciencesPo

France

SGH

Warsaw School
of Economics

Poland



Sweden



THE LONDON SCHOOL
OF ECONOMICS AND
POLITICAL SCIENCE

United Kingdom

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Mission statement

"CIVICA aims to foster advancements in education, research and innovation, and service to society; to serve local and global communities and to defend the core European values of justice, tolerance, and solidarity."

CIVICA at a glance



10
universities



72,000
students &
doctoral researchers



13,000
academic staff



168
research institutes

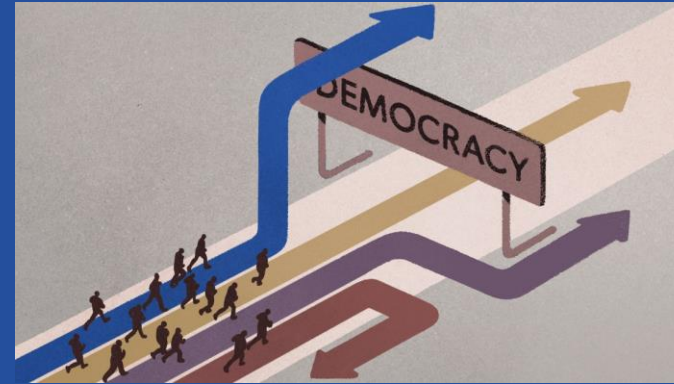


4 thematic priorities

Societies in Transition and
Crises of Earth



Challenges to Democracy
in the 21st Century



Europe Revisited



Data-Driven Technologies
for the Social Sciences





“CIVICA is uniquely placed to address current and emerging challenges. The ten partner institutions have come together with the ambition to assume civic responsibility for current and future European generations”

— Vanessa Scherrer, CIVICA Coordinator, Sciences Po

CIVICA Pillars

EDUCATION

European inter-university campus

- Digital campus
- Expanded mobility and joint programmes/degrees
- Joint content (all levels)
- Short-term activities
- Connected libraries
- European lifelong learning opportunities
- Sports and culture events



RESEARCH & INNOVATION

Global champion for European social sciences




- Enhanced European research community in the social sciences
- Joint research environment
- Four thematic priorities to respond to current challenges

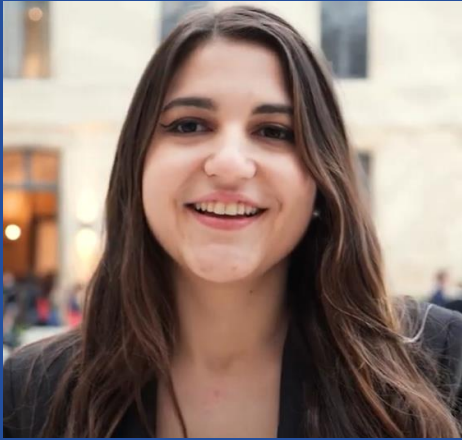
SERVICE TO SOCIETY

Alliance with lasting impact

- Diverse and inclusive community
- Promotion of European values
- Access to knowledge and higher education
- Global partnerships with key actors

CIVICA for...

 Students	 (Post-) doctoral researchers (ESRs)	 Faculty	 Staff
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physical and digital European network• Joint programmes and joint courses• Extended mobility• Civic engagement• Pan-European student community• Extracurricular activities• Cultural & sports event	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Integrated research space• Hub for supervision• Course catalogue• Extended mobility• Summer schools and co-taught seminars• Training opportunities• Research with transformational impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joint research environment• Research with transformational impact• Mobility• Trans-European teamwork• Exchange of best practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trans-European teamwork• Mobility• Inclusion workshops• Networking• Professional development• Exchange of best practices



“All universities have something unique to offer that adds to the whole experience.

I think that’s definitely something that the students will appreciate.”

— Margarita Peces Collar, student at IE University



“CIVICA has really built bridges and established practices for working together.”

—Renato de Gaspi, PhD researcher at CEU,
CIVICA Ambassador 2020/21

Impact

Direct impact on CIVICA communities

- Increased mobility and expanded offers for students and early-stage researchers
- Student engagement
- Pedagogical innovations
- Digital campus
- Lifelong learning
- European research community
- High-caliber professional network
- Diverse and inclusive community

Direct impact beyond the alliance

- Impact on the higher education and research sectors
 - Institutional innovation
 - Toolbox of teaching and learning models
 - Inclusion and diversity portfolio
 - Environmental sustainability
 - Strong research network
- Outreach to policymakers
- Strengthened dialogue with socio-economic and local actors, high schools, citizens

European and global impact

- **Role model in European higher education**
 - Promoter of trans-European collaboration and mobility
 - Strong link between research and practice
 - Testbed for new forms of institutional cooperation
 - Open university
- **Key actor in advancing the vital role of social sciences in addressing societal challenges**



- Synergies between education (Erasmus+) and research (Horizon 2020) through the European Universities
- Top-up funding to strengthen CIVICA's research & innovation dimension
- Main objective: establish a joint long-term research environment and strategy
- CIVICA Research complements CIVICA's education strategy
- CIVICA Research activities began in January 2021



“CIVICA Research creates instruments for an ambitious innovative research strategy.”

— Carsten Q. Schneider, Professor in the Political Science Department, Central European University, and Co-chair of the Permanent Design Team of CIVICA Research



“Building on our successes in the pilot phase, we remain firmly committed to consolidating CIVICA as a key actor of change in Europe, with enhanced opportunities for our communities, and a strong impact on society.”

— Aurélien Krejbich, CIVICA’s Executive Director, Sciences Po

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