Croatian-Bavarian Higher Education Day

June 5th and 6th, 2025, at the University of Regensburg

Thursday, June 05, 2025	
12:00	Registration and welcome reception with refreshments Room: in front of the conference room H 24 in the Vielberthgebäude / Vielberth Building (ground floor)
PLENARY SESSION Room: Conference room H 24 (ground floor) in the Vielberthgebäude / Vielberth Building (ground floor) Moderation: *Nikolas Djukić, Executive Director, BAYHOST*	
13:00	**Welcoming addresses** *Prof. Dr. Udo Hebel, President of the University of Regensburg, Speaker of the board of directors of BAYHOST* *Professor Jurica Pavičić, Vice rector for international and inter-institutional cooperation, University of Zagreb* *Vladimir Duvnjak, Consul General of the Republic of Croatia in Munich*
13:30	**Presentations on the systems of higher education and science in Bavaria and Croatia** Universität Bayern e.V. / Bavarian Universities Association *Alexander Fehr, CEO, Universität Bayern e.V.* Hochschule Bayern e.V. / Association of the Bavarian Universities of Applied Sciences (UAS) *Prof. Dr. Stefan Gast, President, Coburg University of Applied Sciences and Arts* Overview of the system of the higher education and science in Croatia *dr. sc. Josipa Dragičević, Head of Section for the Quality of Higher Education within the Sector for the Development of Higher Education, Ministry of Science, Education and Youth of the Republic of Croatia*
14:30	Meeting point for the rectors and vice-rectors of Croatian and Bavarian universities at the registration desk, walk to the building "Administration"

	Meeting point for the experts from international offices of Croatian and Bavarian universities at the registration desk, walk to the building "Philosophy/Theology"
	Coffee break

PARALLEL SESSIONS

15:00 – max. 16:30	**Working group on biotechnology, bioinformatics, medical technology, biomedical and health sciences** Room: Conference room H 24 (ground floor) in the Vielberthgebäude / Vielberth Building afterwards: coffee break Proposals for cooperation of universities, universities of applied sciences and research institutes from Croatia and Bavaria: Proteomics Insights into Mode of Action and Safety of Drug Candidates and Biomaterials: Bridging In Vitro and In Vivo Approaches *Prof. Dr. Stefan Kalkhof, Head of the Institute for Bioanalysis, Faculty of Applied Natural Sciences and Health, Coburg University of Applied Sciences and Arts* Testing small organic molecules for bioimaging and/or bioactivity applications *Dr. Ivo Piantanida, Head of Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry, Ruđer Bošković Institute* Moderation: *Mag. Olga Dudko*
17:00 – 18:00	**Presentation of good practice examples of Croatian-Bavarian academic cooperation and funding opportunities** Room: Conference room H 24 (ground floor) in the Vielberthgebäude / Vielberth Building
17:00	Presentation of BayFor science support services in funding opportunities *Dan Gutu, Scientific Officer, Bavarian Research Alliance GmbH*
17:15	Cooperation of the University of Regensburg and the University of Zagreb in the field of chemistry *Prof. Dr. Burkhard König, Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy, University of Regensburg*
17:30	1)Area studies "tandems" (working in mixed national groups of two) for students and young researchers 2) Secondos programme *Lisa Unger-Fischer, Executive Director, Europaeum (East-West-Centre) of the University of Regensburg* *dr. phil. Branka Roščić, Ms, Head of the International Relations Office of the University of Zagreb* Moderation: *Mag. Olga Dudko*
15:00 – 17:00	**Meeting of rectors and vice-rectors of Croatian and Bavarian universities** Room: Senate hall of the University of Regensburg, Administration, 2nd floor, room 2.25 (Senatssaal der Universität Regensburg, Verwaltungsgebäude, 2. OG Raum 2.25) Exchange and discussion on internationalization of higher education, digitalization and artificial intelligence, technology transfer, sustainability and diversity

	Including good practice examples: Strategic partnership between the University of Zagreb and the University of Regensburg *Professor Jurica Pavičić, Vice rector for international and inter-institutional cooperation, University of Zagreb* *Prof. Dr. Susanne Leist, Vice President for Digitalization, Networks and Transfer, University of Regensburg* *Prof. Dr. Andreas Roider, Sustainability Officer, University of Regensburg* Sociocultural Capital of the Črnomerec Neighbourhood: Sustainable Living, Environmental Care, and Transformational Processes Towards the '15-Minutes City' Model *Prof. PhD Roberto Antolović, Vice-rector for science, Catholic University of Croatia* Supporting Diversity in Higher Education / Mental Health – Students' Counseling Centre *Prof. Anita Pavić Pintarić, Vice-rector for students and study affairs, University of Zadar* Moderation: *Prof. Dr. Ursula Regener, Vice president for internationalization and diversity, University of Regensburg*
15:00 – 17:00	**Meeting of International Offices of Croatian and Bavarian universities** Room: Big meeting room PT 3.0.79 (Building Philosophy/Theology PHTG) / Großer Sitzungssaal PT 3.0.79 (Bauwerk Philosophie/Theologie PHTG), Ground floor Introductory presentations: *dr. phil. Branka Roščić, Ms, Head of the International Relations Office of the University of Zagreb* *Maria Grotz, Deputy Head of Department, ERASMUS + Institutional Coordinator, International Office, University of Regensburg* Short introduction of all participants Exchange of experience and discussion: 1) ERASMUS + Short-Term Mobility for PhD students 2) ERASMUS + Blended Intensive Programmes (BIP) 3) Management of an international office and human resources policy Moderation: *Maxim Gatskov, BAYHOST*
	Break
19:30	**COMMON DINNER in** Hacker-Pschorr Wirtshaus, Neupfarrplatz 15, 93047 Regensburg

Friday, June 06, 2025		
9:00 – 11:00	**PARALLEL SESSIONS IN DIFFERENT WORKING GROUPS** **Exchange and discussion on proposals for cooperation in specialist groups**	
Room:	**Conference room H 24** (ground floor) in the Vielberthgebäude / Vielberth Building	**Big meeting room PT 3.0.79 (Building Philosophy/Theology PHTG) / Großer**

		Sitzungssaal PT 3.0.79 (Bauwerk Philosophie/Theologie PHTG) Ground floor
Working group:	**Presentation of good practice examples of Croatian-Bavarian academic cooperation and information on funding opportunities** Moderation: *Nikolas Djukić, Executive Director, BAYHOST*	**Artificial intelligence and digital transformation** Moderation: *Mag. Olga Dudko*
9:00	IOS Regensburg: Research about Croatia with Croatia *Prof. Dr. Ulf Brunnbauer, Academic director of the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies Chair of History of Southeast and Eastern Europe at the University of Regensburg*	Deep Learning Analysis of Pelvic Bones from CT Data *Prof. Dr. phil. Tatyana Ivanovska, Professor for visual AI, Faculty representative for International Affairs, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Media, and Computer Science (EMI), OTH Amberg-Weiden*
9:15	Aktivitäten und Perspektiven des Zentrums für Deutschland- und Europastudien *Prof. em. dr. sc. Zygfryd Gehrmann, Leiter des Zentrums für Deutschland- und Europastudien, Universität Zagreb*	Global Perspectives on AI Ethics in Humanities and Social Sciences *Ksenija Benčina, senior English language instructor, Sub-Department of Common Courses, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, J. J. Strossmayer University, Osijek*
9:30	Vorstellung der Publikation „Mehrsprachigkeit in Bildung und Wissenschaft" des Zentrums für Deutschland- und Europastudien der Universitäten Zagreb und Regensburg *Prof. Dr. Björn Hansen, Lehrstuhl für slavistische Linguistik, Universität Regensburg*	Digitalization, Artificial Intelligence and Social Impacts *Prof. Dr. habil. Karsten Weber, Co-Head of the Institute for Social Research and Technology Assessment, Professor for Technology Assessment and AI-based Mobility, Faculty for Computer Science and Mathematics, OTH Regensburg*
9:45	Vorstellung des CROATICUMs – Zentrum für kroatische Sprache und Kultur an der Universität Regensburg *Prof. Dr. Björn Hansen, Lehrstuhl für slavistische Linguistik, Universität Regensburg Sanja Pešorda, Lektorin für kroatische Sprache, Universität Regensburg*	Employing AI Programs to Improve Tasks Related to Glagolitic Script and Heritage *Josip Mihaljević, PhD, research associate, Dictionary of the Croatian Redaction of Church Slavonic, The Old Church Slavonic Institute*
10:00	Good practice examples of cooperation with German universities *Prof. Domagoj Tončinić, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb Prof. Lovorka Magaš Bilandžić, Vice-dean for Science and International Cooperation, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb*	Triple Win: Cooperating with Uni Bayreuth and the Fraunhofer FIT *Prof. Dr. Torsten Eymann, Professor for Information Systems Management, Research Institute for Information Management, Faculty of Law, Business and Economics, University of Bayreuth*

10:15	Further contribution by the participants (to be completed).	Activities of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture of the University of Zagreb in the field of articifial intelligence *Doc. dr. sc. Marko Švaco, assistant professor, Department of Robotics and Production System Automation, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture, University of Zagreb*
10:30	Presentation on funding opportunities (online): Erasmus+ Cooperation Partnerships *Eliza Friederichs, Section: Erasmus+ Key Action 2: Partnerships and Cooperation Projects, Erasmus+ National Agency Higher Education, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)*	AIR Artificial Intelligence Regensburg: an AI cluster connecting academia, industry, and public administration *Katja Eichinger, project manager, AIR Artificial Intelligence Regensburg, TechBase Regensburg*
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11:00	Coffee break	Coffee break
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Working group	**Humanities, social and economic sciences** Moderation: *Nikolas Djukić, Executive Director, BAYHOST*	**Engineering and natural sciences** Moderation: *Olena Borovska, Kyiv Academic University*
11:30	1. The issue of Religious education in a multicultural society 2. Love in Truth in the context of migration policies 3. Summer Organ School in Croatia 4. Summer School for Doctoral students in Croatia *Prof. Mario Cifrak, PhD, Dean, Catholic Faculty of Theology, University of Zagreb*	Proposals for cooperation and presentation of the Regional Center of Excellence for Robotic Technologies (https://crta-robotics.com/de/) *Doc. dr. sc. Marko Švaco, assistant professor, Department of Robotics and Production System Automation, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture, University of Zagreb* TUM International - Presentation on Knowledge & Technology Transfer and Innovation Ecosystem Acceleration *Jan Ertmann, Senior Manager, TUM International GmbH – The University Company*
11:45	Show lived Croatian-Catholic Culture and Religion in Germany in Religious Education Classes in Public Schools! Case Study with Perspectives for Cooperation *Prof. Dr. Manfred Riegger, Faculty of Catholic Theology, University of Augsburg*	
12:00	Proposal for cooperation: BRIDGE-ED: Bavarian-Croatian Research Initiative for Developing Global Educational Doctorates, Key Objectives:	Bavaria Makes - High-Tech Alliance for the Manufacturing of the Future *Dr. Josip Vinčić, Division Lead, Chair of Materials Engineering of Additive Manufacturing, School of Engineering and*

	1. Develop joint PhD supervision models between Croatian and Bavarian faculty 2. Create exchange opportunities for doctoral candidates 3. Establish a Croatian-Bavarian research network in educational innovation *Marija Sablić, full professor, Head of PHD Committee Pedagogy and Contemporary School Culture, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, J. J. Strossmayer University, Osijek*	*Design, Technical University of Munich*
12:15	Joint research in Education 5.0 / industrial Relations 5.0 & Joint summer school on leadership *Prof. Dr. Gabriele M. Murry, Institute of Psychology & Behavioral Science, Weiden Business School, OTH Amberg-Weiden*	
12:30	Innovative teaching methods supported by AI *Assoc. Prof. Zlatko Stapić, Vice Dean for Education and Students / Head of Laboratory for Applied Software Engineering, Information Systems Development Department, Faculty of Organization and Informatics, University of Zagreb*	
12:45	Entrepreneurial skills for a Sustainable Economy *Assoc. Prof. Ivan Malbašić, Vice-Dean for Business and Human Resources, Department of Organization, Faculty of Organization and Informatics, University of Zagreb*	
13:00	Border Area Development(BAD): from the Habsburg military border to the Schengen edge of the EU *Ivan Brlić, PhD, Senior Scientific Associate, Chair of Regional centre Gospić, Institute of Social Sciences Ivo Pilar*	
13:15	**Farewell reception with refreshments** Room: in front of the conference room H 24 in the Vielberthgebäude / Vielberth Building (ground floor)	
14:00 - 16:00	**Individual counseling on funding opportunities and individual cooperation talks upon prior arrangement** Room: Big meeting room PT 3.0.79 (Building Philosophy/Theology PHTG) / Großer Sitzungssaal PT 3.0.79 (Bauwerk Philosophie/Theologie PHTG) Ground floor	
16:00	End of the event	

CONFERENCE LANGUAGE
The conference language is English if not mentioned otherwise.

COSTS
The participation is free of charge. Free accommodation can be provided for a certain number of participants (to be indicated in the application form).

DIRECTIONS
Directions to the University of Regensburg, Universitätsstraße 31, 93053 Regensburg

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