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## University Alliance "Linking society and technology to shape sustainable futures"

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### European Workshop on Distance Learning

#### "What is the New Normal in Distance Learning in European Universities"

June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - 13:00-16:00 CEST

**1<sup>st</sup> ANNOUNCEMENT**



On behalf of the University Alliance "Linking society and technology to shape sustainable futures" NTUA invites you to join our virtual Workshop entitled "*What is the New Normal in Distance Learning in European Universities*", on June 10<sup>th</sup> 2021, 13:00-16:00 CEST.

For more information about the European Workshop on Distance Learning, visit our [website](#).

### The University Alliance

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The University Alliance "Linking society and technology to shape sustainable futures" is a network of nine European Higher Education Institutions working together to develop a joint long-term strategy for education, research and outreach and provide innovative responses to existing and emerging societal challenges. Our shared vision is to develop a world class, transnational network with unique, multidisciplinary, and transcultural education programs and research initiatives, helping to educate and train the next generation of European innovators and leaders. The partners who have joined forces to work together towards achieving this vision are the [National Technical University of Athens](#) (GR), [Brno University of Technology](#) (CZ), [Slovak University of Technology Bratislava](#) (SK), [Leibniz University Hannover](#) (DE), [Lappeenranta-Lahti University of Technology LUT](#) (FI), [Jönköping University](#) (SE), [Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid](#) (ES), [Università degli Studi Roma Tre](#) (IT) and [Technische Universität Wien](#) (AT).

### About the European Workshop on Distance Learning

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During the virtual Workshop, leading academic educators and university students from the universities of our Alliance will discuss Distance Learning as a new learning modality from social, technical and pedagogical perspectives. Success stories and lessons learnt in the COVID-19 era will be shared within panel discussions to recognize advantages and opportunities for universities and work towards sustainable solutions for the European Higher Education Area.



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### Agenda

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The introductory Plenary Session includes a welcome speech, by the hosting National Technical University of Athens Rector, an introduction to the University Alliance "Linking society and technology to shape sustainable futures", presented by the Leibniz University Hannover Vice President, and a key note speech on remote education in our era exploring new ways of teaching in digital educational environments.

Three parallel Panel Sessions will follow, organized and moderated by the Alliance’s representatives, with the participation of professors, students and IT experts of the Alliance’s partners as [panelists](#), both from STEM and Humanities disciplines, discussing through diverse viewpoints the enhancement of distance learning to achieve the best learning outcomes.

The workshop will be completed with a concluding Plenary Session on the issues discussed and next steps proposed.

### Key Note Speaker

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The [key note speech](#) “A strategic view on the future of higher education online learning” will be delivered by Assoc. Prof. Pedro M. Ruiz-Martínez, Vice-Rector for Strategy and Digital University, University of Murcia, Spain.

### Issues to be discussed during Parallel Panels

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- Key opportunities/strengths/advantages you identified during the Distance Learning period.
- Key challenges /risks/threats you experienced during the Distance Learning period.

### Interactivity

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Participants will be able to share their opinions and experiences though live polling and Q&A and have the chance to exchange views on Distance Learning.

### Livestreaming

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The European Workshop will be live streamed on the [hosting institution YouTube channel](#) and broadcasted live on the [website](#) of the workshop.



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### Registration

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Registration is open at the following link.

[Register](#)

The Zoom link for the event will follow after Registration.

Should you need further clarifications or have any inquiries about the Distance Learning Workshop, please do not hesitate to contact us at: [dlworkshop@mail.ntua.gr](mailto:dlworkshop@mail.ntua.gr)

### Certificates of attendance

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All registered participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance following the Workshop.

### Organizing Committee

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The DL Workshop will be hosted online by the National Technical University of Athens with the contribution and active participation of all the Universities of the Alliance.

Chair of the Organizing Committee

NTUA Assoc. Professor Katerina Adam

The Rector of the National Technical University  
of Athens

Prof. Andreas G. Boudouvis