Welcome to SUPERAnews

Every 4 months, the Consortium of the H2020 project SUPERA - Supporting the Promotion of Equality in Research and Academia will update you on the most recent activities taking place in our institutions and with a selection of topics of interest.

This first issue of our newsletter "SUPERAnews" has been developed under the Covid-19 lockdown, in unprecedented conditions. As everyone, we are trying to do our best to cope with this situation and, at the same time, to remain aware of the consequences in terms of gender equality.

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Resilience and gender structural change in COVID-19 times

María Bustelo, Complutense University of Madrid

If someone had told us last Christmas that our life was going to be so different three months later, we would just have simply not believed it. We would have never imagined the changes in our work and personal life due to the Covid-19 crisis, and we still do not know well what the future will look like, even if we all try to guess different scenarios in order to survive by planning (or just learning how not to plan). Who knows? [read more]

Daily work during the COVID-19 crisis: the experience of UCM SUPERA team

Paula de Dios Ruiz, Complutense University of Madrid

In Madrid, in-person classes at universities and all educational levels were cancelled last 11th of March. Just three days after, the Spanish government declared the Alarm state and a set a range of measures to ensure social distance, limit people movements and thus try to contain the epidemic. Today, after 5 weeks of lockdown, the situation is not only unexpected but also very critical and frightful. [read more]
Gender-sensitive communication in research and academia: the SUPERA guidelines
Paola Carboni, University of Cagliari

Communication has gained a growing importance in contributing to the institutional change for gender equality, but gender biases and stereotypes affect communication on a daily basis, also in research and academia environments. With this regard, a new public deliverable has been recently released by the SUPERA consortium: the “Tailor-made guides for gender-sensitive communication in research and academia”.
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Central European University’s progress with SUPERA
Ana Belen Amil, Central European University

In the midst of the Coronavirus crisis, the CEU SUPERA team is working hard to ensure that gender equality goals continue to be a priority for the institution in its transition from Budapest to Vienna.
What is currently in our agenda? [read more]

Postponement of the XI European Conference on Gender Equality in Higher Education in Madrid
By the Local Committee of the 11th GEHE Conference

The XI GEHE Conference - Advancing gender mainstreaming in Academia, Research and Innovation needs to be postponed to September 2021 due to the global health emergency. [read more]
The Region of Sardinia includes the SUPERA project in its development strategy

Simona Corongiu and Tara Marini, Autonomous Region of Sardinia

The Autonomous Region of Sardinia has included the SUPERA project in its Regional Development Programme 2020–2024, giving it the highest possible political recognition at this stage. The PRS is the regional programming document that defines the strategies and policies that the Region intends to implement during the legislature. The inclusion of SUPERA in the PRS is a clear political commitment on the part of the President of the Region and his Regional Government. [read more]

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Patrick Zaky’s arrest: the solidarity of the SUPERA Consortium

by the SUPERA Consortium

Despite the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, the Supera Consortium remains concerned about the conditions of Patrick George Zaky, the 27-year-old Egyptian postgraduate student enrolled in the “GEMMA” Erasmus Mundus Master’s degree in Women’s and Gender Studies at the University of Bologna, Italy, still held in custody in Egypt. [read more]