

# IAU - EAIE Internationalization Leadership Retreat

## Programme

### “Leading internationalization in turbulent times”

**Thursday, 2 May - Friday, 3 May 2024**

**Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius, Lithuania**

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## Description/overview

The International Association of Universities (IAU) and the European Association for International Education (EAIE) share a common understanding of internationalization of higher education as an intentional process undertaken by universities and other higher education institutions (HEIs) to improve the quality of education and research and, ultimately, to achieve a better, more equitable world. Internationalization is a complex and constantly evolving phenomenon, the approaches to which vary widely depending on institutional, national and regional contexts. What is similar across contexts, however, is the enormous turbulence facing higher education institutions today, which in turn presents significant challenges and opportunities for carrying forward effective and transformational internationalization agendas.

Due to internationalization's complex nature, its strategic importance and the need for intentional action to achieve desired outcomes, those responsible for this portfolio require substantive opportunities to connect with colleagues and experts in order to reflect, exchange ideas and explore new and innovative solutions.

To address this need, the IAU-EAIE Internationalization Leadership Retreat is specifically designed for individuals serving as Vice-Rectors/Vice-Presidents/Pro-Vice-Chancellors who are responsible for internationalization and/or global engagement at their institutions and who are interested in strengthening their peer networks and strategic toolkits. The program is organized around expert facilitation in a confidential peer-to-peer environment. Practical and data-driven discussions focus on surfacing actionable insights that are relevant to those working on internationalization at the leadership level at their institutions. By strengthening the knowledge base in key areas and providing insight into possible solutions through exchange and mutual learning among peers, the Retreat aims to invigorate and empower participants in their key leadership roles.

## Confirmed facilitators and presenters

[Inga Žalėnienė](#)

[Hilligje van't Land](#)

[Fiona Hunter](#)

[Hans-Georg van Liempd](#)

[Giorgio Marinoni](#)

[Laura Rumbley](#)

## Thursday, 2 May 2024

9:00 - 9:30	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>
9:30-10:15	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inga Žalėnienė, Rector of Mykolas Romeris University</li><li>• Hilligje van't Land, IAU Secretary General</li><li>• Laura Rumbley, EAIE Director for Knowledge Development and Research</li></ul> <b>Introduction to the leadership retreat</b>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fiona Hunter, Associate Director, Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation (CHEI), Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore in Milan, Italy, main facilitator of the retreat</li> </ul>
10:15-11:00	<b>Participant introductions and interests</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fiona Hunter</li> <li>Hans Georg van Liempd, Secretary and Managing Director, Tilburg University, the Netherlands</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Coffee break</b>
11:30 – 12:30	<b>Keynote: International cooperation in a challenging (geo)political context</b> Justas Nugaras, Vice-Minister of Education, Science and Sport, Republic of Lithuania  <b>Q&amp;A session</b>
12:30 – 14:00	<b>Lunch and networking</b>
14:00 – 15:30	<b>Internationalization around the world and in Europe: Results of the IAU 6<sup>th</sup> Global Survey on internationalization and the EAIE Barometer, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Giorgio Marinoni, IAU Manager, HE and Internationalization</li> <li>Laura Rumbley, EAIE Director for Knowledge Development and Research</li> </ul> <b>Q&amp;A session</b>
15:30 – 16:00	<b>Coffee break</b>
16:00 – 17:30	<b>Facilitated small group discussions: Challenges to international cooperation and opportunities to overcome them</b>
17:30 – 18:00	<b>Wrap-up of Day 1</b>
18:00	<b>Welcome reception/dinner</b>

## Friday, 3 May 2023

9:00 - 9:30	<b>Welcome and opening of Day 2</b>
9:30 – 10:30	<b>Keynote: Leading internationalization at universities</b> (TBC)  <b>Q&amp;A session</b>
10:30 – 11:00	<b>Coffee break</b>
11:00 – 12:30	<b>Facilitated small group discussions:</b> <b>Option 1: creating an internationalization strategy</b> <b>Option 2: implementing an internationalization strategy</b>
12:30 – 14:00	<b>Lunch and networking</b>
14:00 – 15:30	<b>Facilitated small group discussions: defining and measuring success in internationalization</b>
15:30 – 16:00	<b>Coffee break</b>

<b>16:00 – 17:00</b>	<b>Reflections, insights and key takeaways</b> Chaired by Fiona Hunter
<b>17:00 – 17:30</b>	<b>Closing remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hilligje van't Land, IAU Secretary General</li> <li>• Laura Rumbley, EAIE Director for Knowledge Development and Research</li> </ul>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>Goodbye reception</b>