

JOINT ACADEMIC WORKSHOP
BUILDING BRIDGES: INTERFACULTY COOPERATION FOR
FUTURE EXCELLENCE

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July 1–4, 2025

Day 1 – Tuesday, July 1, 2025

Theme: Setting the Stage – From Past to Future Calls

Focus: European Excellence Initiative

10:00–10:30 – Welcome & Opening Remarks - **Saša Drezgić, PhD, Full Professor (EFRI)**

10:30–11:30 – Success Stories: What Can We Use from Previous Proposals – **Jelena Stanković PhD, Full Professor (FEUN)**

11:30–12:00 – Coffee Break

12:00–13:30 – European Excellence Initiative – Objectives and Outcomes - **Jelena Stanković PhD, Full Professor (FEUN)**

13:30–15:00 – Lunch Break

15:00–17:00 – Interactive Roundtable: Structuring Future Proposal Ideas - **Moderator Saša Čegar, PhD, Associate Professor (EFRI)**

Day 2 – Wednesday, July 2, 2025

Theme: Opportunities Ahead – Shaping the Future

Focus: Digital Europe

10:00–11:00 – Digital Europe Programme Opportunities - **Saša Drezgić, PhD, Full Professor (EFRI)**

11:00–11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30–13:00 – Designing Synergies: Smart Cities and Urban Analytics - **Saša Čegar, PhD, Associate Professor (EFRI) & Ivana Marjanović, PhD (FEUN)**

13:00–14:30 – Lunch Break

14:30–15:30 – Brainstorming Project Ideas within Digital Europe - **Moderator Vinko Muštra, PhD, Full Professor (EFST)**

15:30–17:00 – Partner Matchmaking & Proposal Development - **Moderator Vinko Muštra, PhD, Full Professor (EFST)**

Day 3 – Thursday, July 3, 2025

Theme: CROSS-disciplinary network for research excellence in Regenerative Economy Innovation eco-Systems (101136834, CROSS-REIS, HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-03-01)

10:00–13:20 – The First Online Evaluation Meeting: M1-M15 Agenda - **EC Officers, Evaluators, Project Consortium**

13:20–14:30 – Lunch break

14:30–16:30 – Comments and Questions: Review Wrap-Up and Feedback Exchange

16:30–17:00 – Closing Remarks

Day 4 – Friday, July 4, 2025

Theme: Drafting the Future – Work Packages & Commitments

Focus: Planning and Roles

10:00–11:30 – WP Breakdown: Research, Capacity Building, Impact - **Marina Stanojević, PhD, Professor (FEUN)**

11:30–12:00 – Coffee Break

12:00–14:00 – Final Roundtable: Next Steps for Proposal Submission - **Moderator Jelena Stanković PhD, Full Professor (FEUN)**