



Higher Education in New Normal

14 – 15 January 2021



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Program Schedule

Day 1: Thursday, 14 January 2021, 11 AM – 12.30 PM (EET)/ 3 PM – 4.30 PM (BST)

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96804337369?pwd=Q3JXVlRqeVhiSVhheXhyR2FQWXNTZz09>

Meeting ID: 968 0433 7369, Passcode: 850834

Opening Session: (20 Minutes)

In-Charge: Prof. Dr. Regina Valutyte, Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs, MRU

EET	BST	Event
11 AM	3 PM	Opening Remarks by Prof. Dr. Regina Valutyte, Vice-Rector, Academic Affairs, MRU
11.03 AM	3.03 PM	Welcome speech by Prof. Dr. Inga Zaleniene, Rector, MRU
11.08 AM	3.08 PM	Welcome speech by Dr. Carmen Z Lamagna, Vice Chancellor, AIUB
11.13 AM	3.13 PM	Welcome speech by Dr. Pam Fredman, President, IAU

Panel Discussion – 1 (Duration: 60 Minutes)

Sub-Theme: Evolution of Internationalization and Collaboration in HEIs		
Emcee: Dr. Rahmatullah ABM, Associate Professor & Associate Dean, FASS, AIUB		
EET	BST	Topics and Panel Speakers
11.30 AM – 11.40 AM	3.30 PM – 3.40 PM	Adopting changes during/post COVID-19 to continue internationalization and cooperation between HEIs - Ms. Audra Dargyte Burokiene, Head of International Office, MRU
11.40 AM – 11.50 AM	3.40 PM – 3.50 PM	IAU insights on the post-Covid new normal future challenges and opportunities - Dr. Hilligje van't Land, Secretary General, IAU
11.50 AM – 12.00 PM	3.50 PM – 4.00 PM	Acceptability of Online Learning during COVID-19 and preparing for higher studies in foreign universities - Mr. Manzur H Khan, Director, Office of Student Affairs, AIUB
12.00 PM – 12.10 PM	4.00 PM – 4.10 PM	Higher education marketing in new normal: Impact, Challenges and Opportunities - Ms. Jurga Strimaitienė, Head of Communication and Marketing Centre, MRU
12.10 PM – 12.20 PM	4.10 PM – 4.20 PM	Transformation in industry and community exposure due to pandemic. - Ms. Kishwar M Chowdhury, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Business Administration
12.20 PM – 12.30 PM	4.20 PM – 4.30 PM	Question and Answer Session

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Day 2: Friday, 15 January 2021, 11 AM – 12.30 PM (EET)/ 3 PM – 4.30 PM (BST)

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Panel Discussion – 2 (Duration 80 Minutes)

Sub-Theme: Digital Transformation of Higher Education – Innovation and its Challenges		
Emcee: Ms. Audra Dargyte Burokiene, Head of International Office, MRU		
EET	BST	Topics and Panel Speakers
11.00 AM – 11.10 AM	3.00 PM – 3.10 PM	Academic ethics and transparency of evaluation during pandemic - Prof. Dr. Regina Valutyte, Vice-Rector of Academic Affairs, MRU
11.10 AM – 11.20 AM	3.10 PM – 3.20 PM	Possibilities for Blended/ Hybrid teaching-learning post COVID-19 - Dr. Rahmatullah ABM, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, & Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
11.20 AM – 11.30 AM	3.20 PM – 3.30 PM	Impact of the pandemic on HEIs: A multilateral perspective - Mr. Omar Hernandez, Public Information Officer, United Nations Academic Impact
11.30 AM – 11.40 AM	3.30 PM – 3.40 PM	Overcoming challenges to connect digitally and gap in teaching/learning for online classes - Ms. Milda Pakulyte, Manager, Digital Learning Unit, Academic Affairs, MRU
11.40 AM – 11.50 AM	3.40 PM – 3.50 PM	Challenges to connect digitally for higher studies - Mr. Manirul Islam, Director, Institute of Continuing Education and IT Operation, AIUB
11.50 AM – 12.00 PM	3.50 PM – 4.00 PM	Impact on mental health in the new normal - Ms. Laura Stefanovič, Student of MRU Law School
12.00 PM – 12.10 PM	4.00 PM – 4.10 PM	Impact of Pandemic: Co-curricular and Personal Development in the New Normal - Mr. Raaisa Tariq (BBA) and Mr. Asaf-Ud-Doulah (EEE), students of AIUB
12.10 PM – 12.20 PM	4.10 PM – 4.20 PM	Question and Answer Session

Concluding Session: (10 Minutes)

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12.20 PM – 12.30 PM	4.20 PM – 4.30 PM	Vote of thanks by Ms. Audra Dargyte Burokiene, Head of International Office, MRU
		Vote of thanks by Manzur H Khan, Director, Office of Student Affairs, AIUB

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