

2025 Arqus Annual Conference

“European Universities at the Crossroads”

02-04 April 2025

Leipzig University

Expected arrival day: 31 March/1 April

Expected departure day: 4 April

Main 2025 Arqus Annual Conference days:

- **Wednesday, 2 April:** Day 1 - full day (including WG meetings)
- **Thursday, 3 April:** Day 2 - full day (including WG & Board meetings)

* Additional meeting slots can be requested in the afternoon of 1 April or in the morning of 4 April, if necessary.

Points of information:

- **InfoPoint**, Location: Augusteum
- **Information desk**, Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 201

Tuesday, 1 April (Annual Conference Day 0)

09:00–17:00 Pre-meeting (WG14)

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 205.

13:00–14:00 Pre-registration

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room S201.

14:00–17:00 Pre-meetings (Comms Team, WG7, WG10)

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, rooms 203-211.

16:00–18:00 Open Collaborative Room on the Arqus I&D Action Plan (WG10)

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 202. Registration is required.

Wednesday, 2 April (Annual Conference Day 1)

- 09:00–10:00** **Registration**
Location: Augusteum at InfoPoint.
- 10:00–10:30** **Welcome**
Eva Inés Obergfell, rector of Leipzig University.
Dorothy Kelly, Alliance Coordinator.
Location: Paulinum.
- 10:30–12:00** **Plenary session I – Legal Entity: The future for European University Alliances**
Moderators: Eva Ines Obergfell and Eeva Leinonen (Arqus).
Speakers: Stefan Lang (CIVIS), Barbara Gagliardi (UNITA), Daniel Santos (INGENIUM).
Location: Paulinum.
- 12:00–13:30** Lunch break and poster exhibition
Location: Augusteum.
- 13:30–15:00** **Plenary session II – Research strategies and collaborative research projects within European University Alliances**
Moderator: Patrycja Matusz (Arqus).
Speakers: Bálint Markó (EUTOPIA), Sergio Villanueva (CHARM-EU), Lucas Zinner (Circle-U), Cedric Jürgensen (Arqus).
Location: Paulinum.
- 15:00–15:30** Coffee break, *Location: Lecture Hall Building, 2nd floor.*
- 15:30–17:00** **Executive Council & IAB meeting** **Parallel Working Group meetings**
Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 202. *Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, rooms 203-228.*

- Evening** – WGs, *Location: As informed in WGs.*
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| <p>WG2: <i>Barthels Hof.</i></p> <p>WG4: <i>Luise Café.</i></p> <p>WG5: <i>Volkshaus.</i></p> <p>WG6: <i>Maison Viet.</i></p> <p>WG7: <i>Moritz Bastei.</i></p> <p>WG8: <i>Pilot.</i></p> <p>WG9: <i>Brauhaus an der Thomaskirche.</i></p> <p>WG10: <i>292 Karangahape Road.</i></p> <p>WG11: <i>Pilot.</i></p> <p>WG12: <i>Andria.</i></p> <p>WG13: <i>Luise Café.</i></p> <p>WG14: <i>Volkshaus.</i></p> | <p><i>Hainstraße 1, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Bosestraße 4, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Karl-Liebknecht-Straße 30-32, 04107.</i></p> <p><i>Gottschedstraße 4, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Kurt-Masur-Platz 1, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Bosestraße 1, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Thomaskirchhof 3-5, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Karl-Tauchnitz-Straße 9, 04107.</i></p> <p><i>Bosestraße 1, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Nikolaistraße 22, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Bosestraße 4, 04109.</i></p> <p><i>Karl-Liebknecht-Straße 30-32, 04107.</i></p> |
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- Comms Team, *Location: Pilot. Bosestraße 1, 04109*
- Management Team, *Location: Maison Viet. Gottschedstraße 4, 04109*
- EC, IAB and speaker dinner, *Location: Pilot. Bosestraße 1, 04109*
- Rectors' dinner, *Location: Auerbachs Keller. Grimmaische Str. 2-4, 04109*

Thursday, 3 April (Annual Conference Day 2)

09:00–10:30 **Plenary session III – Common digital infrastructures as tools and resources for European University Alliances**
Moderator: Mireille Van Poppel (Arqus).
Speakers: Sebastian Schöttler (EUTOPIA), Alex Hinojo (Open-EU), Colin Tück (expert), Lucas de Uña (Arqus StC).
Location: Paulinum.

10:30–11:30 Coffee break + Group photo
Locations: Augusteum and Paulinum.

11:30–13:00 **Awards ceremony and closing**
 Teaching Excellence Award ceremony:
 Intervention of the winners
 Closing:
 Uršulė Barkauskaitė, Arqus Student Council.
 Announcement next AAC by Maynooth University by Eeva Leinonen.
 Dorothy Kelly, Alliance Coordinator.
 Eva Inés Obergfell, rector of Leipzig University.
Location: Paulinum.

13:00–14:00 Lunch break
Location: Augusteum.

14:00–17:30 **Rector's Council meeting**
Location: Goethestr. 3-5, 1st floor, room 1.25/26. Coffee break included.

14:00–15:30 **Parallel Working Group meetings & Student Council meeting**
Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, rooms 203-228.

15:30–16:00 Coffee break, *Location: Lecture Hall Building, 2nd floor.*

16:00–17:30 **Parallel board meetings** (Education, Research, Societal Engagement and Transversal)
 * *Board members, including WG co-leads* *
Location: Lecture Hall Building, 2nd Floor. Lecture Halls 7, 8, 10 and 11.

16:30–17:30 **RC & IAB meeting**
Location: Goethestr. 3-5, 1st floor, room 1.25/26.

19:00– **Conference dinner**
Location: Felix. Augustusplatz 1-3, 6th floor.

**** Parallel meeting:**

09:00–12:00 **CoP meeting Research Support Officers (RSO)**
Location: Seminar Building, 2nd Floor, room 227.

Friday, 4 April (Annual Conference Day 3)

Information desk, *Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 201.*

9:00–12:00 **Additional meetings (WG2 Weimar Initiative, WG09, WG10, WG11)**

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, rooms 204-211.

9:30–11:30 **Workshop on Equity in AI (Student Ambassadors)**

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 202.

10:00–11:00 **AAC Transition meeting**

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 203.

11:00–12:00 **Management Team meeting**

Location: Seminar Building, 2nd floor, room 203.

13:00–15:00 **Cultural programme**

As indicated in the registration form:

- **Campus tour**
Location: Augusteum, InfoPoint.
- **Library Albertina tour**
Location: Beethovenstraße 6, 04107 Leipzig.
- **Botanical Garden**
Location: Linnéstraße 1, 04103 Leipzig.
- **Visit iDiv Research Centre**
Location: Puschstraße 4, 04103 Leipzig.
- **Mephisto University Radio**
Location: Augusteum, InfoPoint.
- **Egyptian University Museum**
Location: Augusteum, InfoPoint.