6th OpenEU Rectors' Council Meeting – Agenda

Date: 29 October 2026
Time: from 16.00h to 17.30h
Meeting Venue: room 3C.02 Spui Building, Centrum, The Hague.
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List of (expected) attendees

- Àngels Fitó, Rector UOC and OpenEU president
- Arvīds Barševskis, Rector DU
- Carla Padrel, Rector UAb
- Dimitar Dimitrov, Rector UVT
- Manolis Koutouzis, Rector HOU
- Ólína Kjerúlf, Rector BU
- Ricardo Mairal Usón, Rector UNED
- Stavros Stavrou, Rector OUC
- Stefan Stürmer, Rector FeU
- Theo Bastiaens, Rector OUNL
- Pastora Martínez Samper, OpenEU coordinator
- Àlex Hinojo, OpenEU Secretary General

Agenda

1. Current agenda and minutes of the previous meeting
2. General updates of the OpenEU Alliance
3. OpenEU Associated Partners
4. European Degree updates and OpenEU actions
5. EU Digital Education trends and OpenEU actions
6. RC & ExBo Athens meeting (21-22 January 2027)
7. Any other business

Annotated agenda

1. Approval of the current agenda and previous meeting minutes

For approval

Rectors are invited to approve the current agenda as well as the previous meeting minutes. The draft minutes are open to be amended by the RC members. The current agenda is open to additional items under item *Any other business*.

Annex 1 - Draft minutes 5th OpenEU Rectors' Council meeting

2. General updates of the OpenEU Alliance

For information and discussion

Rectors will receive a briefing on strategic developments and operational milestones across the OpenEU Alliance since the previous session. The update will feature key outcomes from the launch of the first OpenEU Degree and the OpenEU Festival, alongside implementation progress within the Joint Programmes and Degrees Framework. Members will review the state of play for the Midterm Report due on 31 January 2027.

3. OpenEU Associated Partners

For information and discussion and eventual approval

Update on the OpenEU Associated Partners: outline structural adjustments within Work Package 5 concerning some Associated Partners, new partner candidacies, and withdrawals.

4. European Degree updates and OpenEU actions

For information and discussion

Update on key developments across the EU ecosystem. The briefing will cover updates on the European Degree label (EDL), the progress of related OpenEU initiatives, and the implementation status of the new T-LED project on the adaptation of joint programmes to the EDL.

5. EU Digital Education trends and OpenEU actions

For information and discussion

Follow up on the strategic transition of the OpenEU portal toward a harmonized governance structure and a unified digital architecture. This includes the Decidim platform and the Joint Learning Platform roadmap, specifically the technical delivery of a federated data space and its proof of concept. Also updates on the European EdTech sector, and the education package of the European Commission, where OpenEU shared its innovation agenda.

6. RC & ExBo Athens meeting

For information and discussion

Open discussion to align expectations and refine strategic objectives for the upcoming two-day meeting in Athens. Following the previous session in Lisbon, the gathering will bring together Rectors, Executive Board members, Institutional Coordinators, and the Secretariat.

7. Any other business