



Association for European
Life Science Universities

**Promoting life sciences
through education,
research, and
innovation**



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ICA 2022-2023 report

Arthur P.J. Mol
ICA President

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Achievements 2022-2023

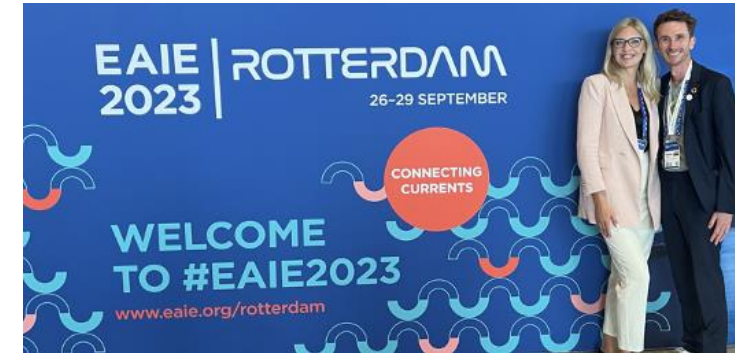
- ICA Rectors and Deans Forum
 - 2022 on Biodiversity & Knowledge Security
 - 2023 on One Health & Generative AI
- Biodiversity communique & BioBlitz Challenge at 17 uni's
- ICA & IROICA session at EAIE conference
- ICA Excellence Award in 3 categories
- Participation Bio-based Innovation Student Challenge Europe (BISC-E)
- Progress on EBU as ICA standing committee
- Intensified ICA internal and external communication
- Progress on ICA membership strategy
- New SLA with CZU



#BioBlitz2023



**ICA Biodiversity
Challenge 2023**



ICA Board Committee Europe

Achievements



PROJECTS

- Two **project applications** for calls WIDERA Teaming for excellence and EU Horizon Europe
- Horizon Europe **funded project** “eNabis” (7 universities in Europe and ICA as a platform for knowledge exchange)

EU-WIDE EXPERTISE AND MEMBERSHIPS

- ICA membership of European Circular Stakeholders leadership groups on: **Bioeconomy** and **Biodiversity and Climate**
- Attending EU SWG SCAR groups: **AKIS and Food**
- Involved in the **EU projects advisory boards**
- Collaboration with **Animal Task Force**
- Identified **topics** and prepared a **guide for ICA position papers**



ICA Community of Practice for Bioeconomy Education (ICA-CoP Bio-Edu)

- **Colloquium 2022:** “Interdisciplinary Education for the Bioeconomy: embedding the mindset of the bioeconomy in the curricula of Bachelor degree programmes”
- **Workshop 2023:** “Engaging with industry to ensure that graduates and professionals are well prepared for employment in the Bioeconomy”
- **International Summer School:** “Circular Bioeconomy and Sustainable Development”, together with University Athens



Chair Han van Osch



ICA Network for Innovation in Life Sciences Higher Education (ICA Edu)

- **Colloquium 2022:** “Exploring the opportunities and challenges of mainstreaming blended learning in Life Sciences Higher Education”
- Main theme 2023: “Enhancing Student Engagement in the Life Sciences” (**4 Webinars, 2 online workshops**)



Chair Julian Park

ICA Board members ending their term: thanks!



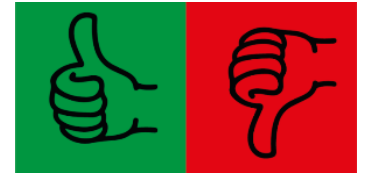
Daniela Quaglino
Università di Modena e Reggio
Emilia, Italy



Alex Evans
University College Dublin,
Ireland



Elections new ICA Board members



Northern Europe



Ritva Toivonen,
Dean of the Faculty of
Agriculture and Forestry,
Helsinki University, Finland

Southern Europe



José Luís Teixeira de Abreu Medeiros Mourão,
President of the School of Agricultural and
Veterinary Sciences, University of Trás-os-Montes
e Alto Duro, Portugal

Switching presidents

Outgoing: Arthur P.J. Mol



Incoming: Maria Knutson Wedel



New ICA Member



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Looking forward to working with you in ICA!