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Facilitators' Biographies

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Professor Jeremy Bradshaw gained a MA in Zoology from Oxford University in 1981 and, following a year in industry, was awarded a DPhil from the same university in 1985. He took up his first teaching post in the Department of Biochemistry and developed a research programme in biophysical studies of membrane- active peptides. In 2003 he was appointed to the post of Director of Research and Graduate Studies at the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, and in 2007 became the Head of the Graduate School of the College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine.

From 2009 to 2013, he was Director of Postgraduate Studies for the College and International Dean and Director of Quality Assurance. He led a project that resulted in the Zhejiang-Edinburgh Institute. He became Assistant Principal (Researcher Development) in 2013, with institutional responsibility for 4500 research students. The role that includes representing the University on the Doctoral Studies groups of the Russell Group, the League of European Research Universities, Universitas 21 and the Coimbra Group. He currently chairs the Coimbra Group Doctoral Studies Working Group.

He has published over a hundred papers, articles and reports, mostly on research carried out at large-scale international facilities. He holds guest appointments at several of these facilities worldwide, held a visiting professorship at Fuzhou University, and currently holds one at Tsukuba University, Japan and Zhejiang University. Jeremy is a Fellow of the Society of Biology and, formerly, chaired its Biomedical Sciences Committee. He has been an international QAA reviewer for several years.

Dr Gunda Huskobla

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Gunda Huskobla is Managing Director of the Graduate Academy of Friedrich Schiller University Jena in Germany. Her concern is to enhance and effectively secure the quality of doctoral education in order to provide young researchers with the best possible qualifications for future assignments both within and outside academia. She is also Head of Office of the German University Association for Advanced Graduate Training (UniWiND/GUAT) and co-chairs the Coimbra Working Group on Doctoral Studies. Her background is in business administration. She holds a PhD in Economics and did research on organisational development and change in the field of strategic management.

Prof. Melita Kovacevic

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Melita Kovacevic was EUA-CDE (European University Association Council for Doctoral Education) Steering Committee member (2009-2016) and Chair (2011-2016). Melita Kovacevic has been a member of different national and European bodies related to higher education. She has been frequently invited to give talks on different topics related to HE home and abroad. She gave more than seventy speeches as a keynote or plenary speaker worldwide. Within the UNICA network (Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe) Melita Kovacevic served as a Steering Committee member and she has been particularly active in the area of doctoral education and research. She contributes largely to the debate on doctoral education in Europe and beyond. Melita Kovacevic contributed to number of documents and publications on doctoral education. From 2015 Melita Kovacevic is a member of the International Governing Board of the National Science Foundation, Georgia.

Melita Kovacevic participated in number of projects related to doctoral education in European Union, South-East Europe, China, and Central Asia. European Commission, World Bank, European University Association as well as national agencies have been inviting her for collaboration and ask for her expertise on doctoral education and research. She has a status of European expert of higher education. Melita Kovacevic is also a member of Advisory Board of Regional Platform for Benchmarking Cooperation in Higher Education and Research. As a HE expert she participates in international evaluation teams both of institutions and doctoral programmes.

Melita Kovacevic is a former Vice-Rector for Research and Technology at the University of Zagreb (2006-2014). She is Full Professor at the Department of Speech and Language Pathology. She is Head of the Laboratory for Psycholinguistic Research and Director of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral Programme Language and Cognitive Neuroscience. Melita Kovacevic held research and visiting positions at different European and American universities and is a member of various national and international societies.

Prof. Jacques Lanarès

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Prof. Jacques Lanarès has been Vice Rector of the University of Lausanne between 2006 and 2016. He was in charge of Quality, Human Resources, Development of Teaching and eLearning. He is involved in Quality matters at national and international level. He chaired the Quality Delegation of the Swiss rectors' conference and is member of the Swiss Accreditation Council. He is also Quality expert for several organisations such as the European Association of Universities (EUA/IEP), ENQA or the World Bank and various national accreditation agencies (Belgium, Finland, France, Ireland, Lithuania,). He was trained in Neuropsychology and obtained a PhD in Psychology (University of Geneva). He is Professor at the University of Lausanne (Teaching and Learning in Higher Education and Life Long Learning).

Dr Sharon Maguire



Careers Consultant, University of Edinburgh Careers Service, UK

Sharon joined the University of Edinburgh in 2002 as a careers consultant and has been the strategic lead on the development of careers support for postgraduate students and research staff at the University for the last eight years.

In addition to providing 1-1 careers guidance and coaching with students and research staff, Sharon designs and facilitates workshops for research students and staff to support them with their career decision making. She initiated and organises the popular annual PhD Horizons Careers Conference at the University of Edinburgh dedicated to showcasing the breadth of career opportunities open to PhD graduates and inspiring them to think broadly about career opportunities both within and outside academia.

Sharon is a member of the national Association of Graduate Careers Advisory Services (AGCAS) Research Student and Research Staff task group, where she has led on several sector-wide projects, including the group's annual conference for careers practitioners and researcher developers, and the 'Getting the first lecturing job' national UK survey of academic staff.

Sharon has a degree in biochemistry and a PhD in reproductive endocrinology, both from the University of Edinburgh, and worked as a post-doctoral research scientist in the USA and the UK before retraining as a careers adviser.

In her spare time Sharon enjoys running and cycling slowly, walking in the Scottish mountains, reading a wide range of literature, and eating fruit scones while drinking good coffee!

Jean-Marie Pincemin



International Research Officer and Advisor for PhD Training programmes, University of Poitiers, France

After studies in English and Political Sciences at the Université Rennes 2, France and New Mexico State university, USA, Jean-Marie Pincemin received an MA in European Studies from the University of Aix Marseille.

He has been involved in European research and doctoral programmes for more than ten years.

He has participated in the Coimbra Group's Doctoral Studies & Research Task Force, and to the Research Support Officers Working Group since 2011.

Jean-Marie Pincemin has participated to various doctoral training programs at the European level, e.g. in the framework of Euraxess activities and FP7 project ImpactE.

His field of expertise deals with the use of social media for researchers as well as networking strategies for PhD graduates for improved employability. He is the deputy Director in the International Relations Office of the University of Poitiers, France.

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