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Declaration

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The European University of Technology (EUt+) is unique amongst the 44 European Universities in having formally announced a long-term intention to merge the eight partner universities in order to create a single entity with a single governance and a common budget.

In order to fulfil this ambition, we have placed a clear priority on integrating our actions, processes and strategy. We are building a common European identity that is reflected in all our core missions.

In Education, our priority is thus to transform our separate national curricula into a common European curriculum with a single set of Learning Outcomes and Competences, fully open mobility for all students between campuses, and a single European diploma. Whereas in Research, we are setting up at the EUt+ level "European Research Institutes" to which researchers from our eight institutions are affiliated.

Our core governance bodies, such as the Rectors Board, meet physically eight to ten times a year and our Steering Committee virtually on a weekly basis.

Our intention to merge requires a political agreement between member states who have competency over Higher Education. However, we believe that it is aligned with two key priorities of the European Union.

On the one hand, it will enable us to create a university that can carry a truly European vision of Technology that places Humans at the heart of technological innovation and provides a powerful counterbalance to the dominant Chinese and American visions. It will be a key tool for the reindustrialisation and the technological reskilling of Europe.

On the other hand, it will be a flagship for a more equal Europe where research production, quality of education and salaries progressively converge towards a European standard, where all regions can thrive rather than just the happy few.

In this context, as Rectors of the eight universities of EUt+, we have taken the decision to allocate equal shares of the core budget to all member universities in our bid to the Erasmus+ Call for European Universities, notwithstanding the significantly varying levels of financial support for the alliance by individual Member States and the large differences in salaries and costs of living. We believe this decision will help us further the convergence of our universities towards a common European standard.

We are not single universities with their own identities, but equal campuses of EUt+ working towards a common vision.

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