Call for Projects for the Flagship 1 Milano Meeting (via Heidelberg) on June 10, 2020

Dear Colleagues from six European Universities,

as recently announced, there will be the 1st internal call for collaborative 4EU+ projects with a **deadline for the submission of the proposals fixed for the 1st of July 2020**.

All the submitted projects will be screened for the presence of some key elements (educational focus, involvement of mobility, presence of minimum three 4EU+ partners, effect on transverse skills). Only those projects that contain all these elements will undergo a formal evaluation – <u>https://4euplus.eu/4EU-139.html</u>.

We also remind you that the alliance is particularly (but not exclusively) interested in projects that are aiming, at least in perspective, to the creation of joint BSc, MSc, PhD programs. In addition, within Flagship 1, we identified as strategic areas of interest: cancer, smart cities, and the COVID-19 emergency.

With the aim of increasing the chance of success of projects falling within <u>Flagship 1</u>, the Flagship 1 coordination committee has organized an **online workshop to be held on the 10th of June 2020**.

During the workshop, the perspective applicants will receive a **first**, **informal feedback about their project idea and some focused help to improve it before the final submission**.

For instance, if your project does not meet the minimum requirements because it does not have yet a strong network extending across the 4EU+ partners, at the workshop you will receive some help in reinforcing the network. Another example may be a project that meets the minimum requirements but would like to receive expert feedback from peers to improve the different aspects that will be evaluated after submission.

All those willing to participate in the workshop will need to upload by the 1st of June 2020 the following documents:

- the **project draft** (project form is available here <u>https://4euplus.eu/4EU-139.html</u>);
- a <u>narrated</u> **PPT presentation** (maximum duration 10 minutes) of your project idea. (Technical instructions how and where to upload the file will follow shortly).

The uploaded documents will be sent to the workshop organizers¹ who will perform a preliminary, informal evaluation of the submitted projects. This evaluation will be used to:

- invite interested colleagues to invite at the workshop
- identify potentially competing projects or projects that may benefit from a synergic effort
- prepare a feedback to be discussed with the proposers during the workshop

Looking forward to your participation, we remain at your disposal for any further information.

Best regards,

The Flagship 1 leaders – Prof. Roberto Cerbino (Milano), Prof. Ulrike Gerhard (Heidelberg) and Prof. Milena Kralickova (Prague).

¹ In perspective, we plan to hold this workshop three times during the year (February-June-October) and the organizing committee will be composed of representatives of the six universities