

International collaborative activities:

- Annual research conferences (Amsterdam 2016, Edinburgh 2017, Frankfurt 2018) and networking events for researchers and staff.
- Joint researcher workshops focusing on the UIREKA thematic priority areas: Migration and Urban Displacement, Health and Wellbeing in Urban Environments, Urban Sustainable Development, The Smart City, Research and Innovation and the Urban Eco-System, Higher Education Research.
- Supporting joint research projects and joint grant applications in Horizon 2020.
- Connecting official representations of cities and regions to the activities and strategic development of the alliance.
- Fostering mobility: increasing mobility options for students, teachers, researchers and staff.
- Enhancing collaboration within summer schools (teacher and student exchanges).
- Double degree programmes: two master and one bachelor programme with first graduates.
- Joint degree programme on Shared Governance and Urban Commons
- Initiation of a collaborative PhD project.
- Experimental learning labs on team professionalisation.
- Joint curricular development on a modular basis.
- Erasmus+ strategic partnerships.
- Erasmus+ staff training weeks: encourage international and intercultural competencies of staff members.
- Communication instruments: website, newsletters, Twitter.
- Networking platforms: UIREKA project booster, LinkedIn group.
- Knowledge transfer and exchange of best practice models for the nexus education and research, internationalisation of curricula and implementation of joint international operative structures.

Strategic activities:

- Cross institutional benchmarking.
- Degree mapping and evaluation of research, innovation and transfer projects. Identification of corresponding research fields. Analysis of publications.

Development of a roadmap for the future of the alliance:

- Development of a joint vision shaped by shared themes of applied research, professional education and lifelong learning and third mission of higher education.
- Development of a long-term strategic work programme strengthening the alliance's joint mission through co-creation models, development of urban labs and innovation models.