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SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT
OF CULTURAL LANDSCAPES

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Dear Colleagues,

This letter is formulated on behalf of the *SUMCULA Partnership* of the project Erasmus+ KA203 – Strategic Partnerships – ‘Sustainable Management of Cultural Landscapes’ – Agreement Number 2017-1-SE01-KA203-034570, formed by:

- University of Gothenburg – Sweden (Coordinator)
- University of Pécs – Hungary (Partner)
- University of Pannonia - Hungary (Partner)
- Lake Balaton Development Coordination Agency – Hungary (Partner)
- European Ecocycles Society (partner)
- University of Palermo – Italy (Partner)
- Ecole des Métiers de l'Environnement (EME-UniLasalle) – France (Partner)
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- GAIA Education - Scotland, UK (Partner)
- Slovak Agricultural University – Slovakia (Partner)
- University College of Tourism and Ecology in Sucha Beskidzka – Poland (Partner)
- Universitat Rovira i Virgili – Spain (Partner)
- University of Applied Sciences – Germany (Partner)
- Eszterházy Károly University – Hungary (Associated Partner)
- Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Plant Protection Institute - Hungary (Associated partner)
- Västra Götaland Region – Sweden (Associated Partner)
- Landscape Observatory – Catalonia (Associated Partner)
- Nebrodi Regional Natural Park – Italy (Associated Partner)

I hereby want to inform you that University of Palermo has been selected among all the academic partners to launch a new Master of Science International Curriculum in 'Sustainable Management of Cultural Landscapes'.

The *SUMCULA* Partnership has drafted since the beginning of the project, educational objectives of the Curriculum, considering both professional opportunities and the potential international education market. Within the Partnership, we have recognized the University of Palermo as *the* potential Institution having the range of competences, needed skills of the lecturers, suitable structures, and good level of internationalization, in order to be able to launch the new MSc Curriculum. Through the University of Palermo launch of the program, a distribution of program structure and components among the academic partners of *SUMCULA* is foreseen to take place, thus providing in essence an International Joint Master Programme in 'Sustainable Management of Cultural Landscape'.

I also want to inform you that, according to the project objectives, *SUMCULA* will be a permanent partnership increasing the number of participating institutions over time. Through the Partnership, the objective is to provide the University of Palermo with relevant intellectual support on the definition of structure and educational objectives of the Curriculum, within the delineations fixed by Italian Regulations on Higher Education.

To support these activities the Partnership will make available an international database of skills, scientific competences and lecturers, collected during the project and that will be very useful to define contents and learning outcomes of the Curriculum.

The Partnership will also provide free pedagogical material (e-books, publications, video lectures, software, etc.) oriented to the specific educational objectives of the Curriculum in Sustainable Management of Cultural Landscapes.

Further, the Partnership will provide intellectual support for Erasmus+ student and staff mobility in terms of thesis works, in-depth workshops, intensive programs abroad for students, internships, field work and laboratory work.

Finally, the Partnership will support the University of Palermo in the international education market by publishing and marketing the new Curriculum in relevant international context.

Yours Sincerely,

The *SUMCULA* Project and Partnership Coordinator



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