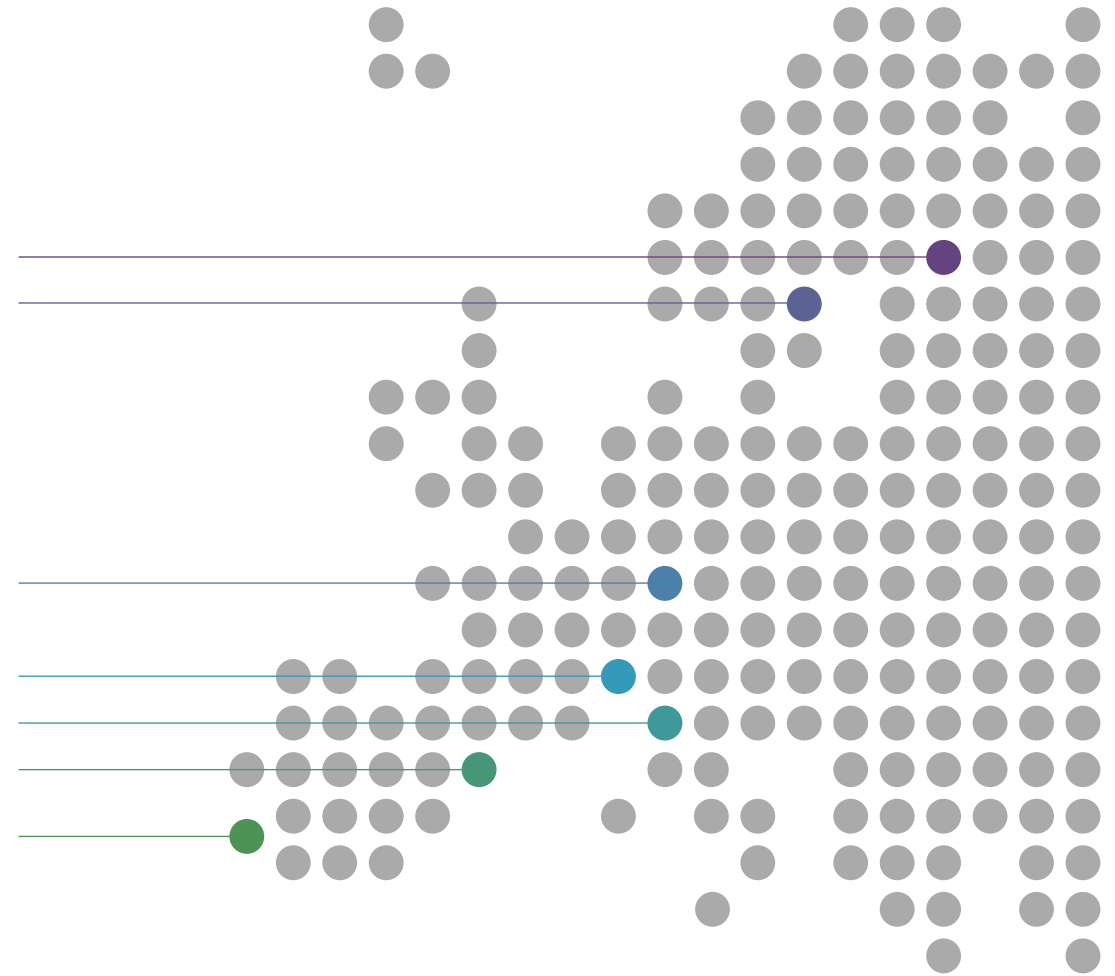


# Unite!4Future Guide for Applicants

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# The Unite! Project

A brief introduction to Unite! and Student Co-creation Competition

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## The Unite! project

[Unite! – the University Network for Innovation, Technology and Engineering](#) – is a network of universities in seven countries that will set a new model for a European virtual and physical inter-university campus. Unite! will transform European higher education through multidisciplinary, multicultural and multilingual education, research and entrepreneurship. Unite! will connect engineering, science and technology with the grand challenges of society in co-creation by students, faculty and staff – providing skills for a new generation of European and global citizens.

## Student Co-creation initiative

Student Co-Creation initiative aims to promote the proactive strategic vision of the students and of what they understand to be their needs, through the development of a competition called **Unite!4Future Programme**, to be promoted annually.

# Unite!4Future Programme

NEW  
GENERATION  
OF EUROPEAN  
STUDENTS

**Unite!4Future Programme** main goal is to attract the participation of students from the seven alliance partner universities with the aim of calling for creative ideas about what can be expected at a university of the future.

With a competition format, in a bottom-up approach, Unite!4Future will enable student participation by presenting concrete, original and implementable ideas that bring added value for all Unite! community.

The projects are non-academic, but related to all other aspects of university student experience and daily life on campus.



# Unite!4Future Programme Guidelines

Experience a unique opportunity: give floor to your ideas!

## Brainstorming

Have you ever thought of something you could change on your university?

Do you have an original and innovative idea?

We want your collaboration!

Create a new area on the library with books translated to Braille

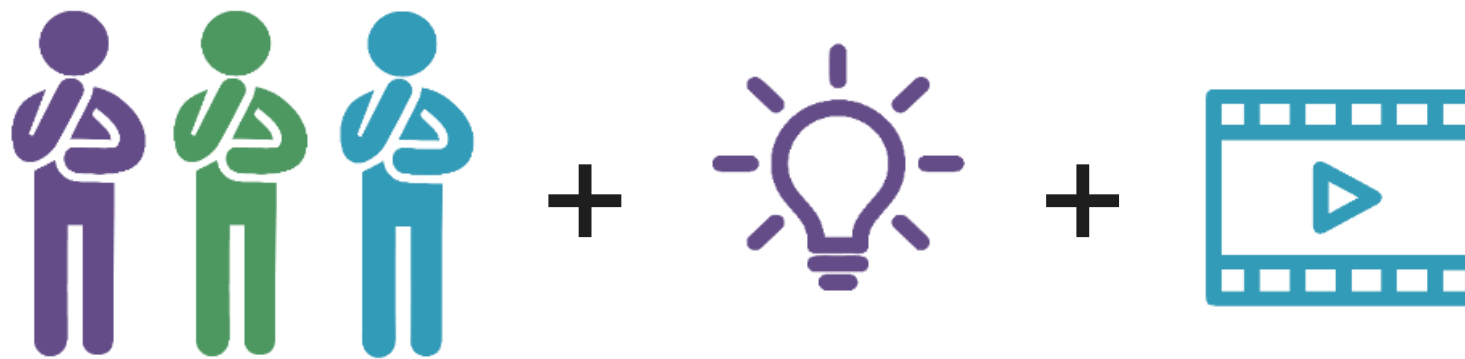
Promote and adapt a recycling system on campus



Grow an organic vegetable garden to be used on the canteen

Develop an app to automatically translate the signs on campus

If you have ideas, then you are on the right track!



Set up a **team**  
with colleagues  
from **other**  
**universities**

Build an **idea**  
and create a  
**proposal**

Make a **video**  
and **apply!**



## Your ideas must address at least one of the following topics:



**Diversity and inclusion** – in this topic your idea or project can address issues as Disabilities, Disadvantages, Difficulties, etc.



**Environment and sustainability** – in this topic your idea or project can address issues as skills and attitudes on climate change and sustainable development, enable behavioral changes, cultural values and awareness for sustainable development, consumption habits, and lifestyles, etc.



**Academic experience, Mobility and Languages** – in this topic your idea or project can address issues on intercultural activities, welcoming and onboarding projects for new students, etc.



**Digitalization** – in this topic your idea or project can address issues as digital skills and app development competency, etc.



At the end of the competition the winning team will be awarded with:

- ✓ Guaranteed participation on the Unite! Student Festival (at least 1 per institution)
- ✓ **Travel expenses** included (travel, accommodation and activities)



The main goals of this award/week are:

- ✓ Become part of the Unite! **new generation** of European students
- ✓ **Share** experiences and **multicultural** values
- ✓ Be part of a wonderful week full of activities including a social programme to enjoy the city

1  
winning team  
per call



# Unite!4Future

## Participation Requirements and Selection criteria

Do not forget that there are rules to be taken into consideration...

## Participation requirements

These are the requirements you need to set up your team, build your idea and apply to the Unite!4Future Programme:

- ▶ Each team must include students from at least **2 Unite! partner universities**
- ▶ Students must be **full degree students enrolled** in at least one of the Unite! Partner universities
- ▶ The application must address **at least one call topic**
- ▶ All project activities must be designed with the possibility of being **applicable in all the team's Unite!**

### Universities.

- ▶ The application must include
  - ✓ **team application form**
  - ✓ **project description** in video format (10 min max)
- ▶ Applications must be submitted in **English** within the **call deadline** (coming soon)

## Selection

If your team meets all the above requirements, your project will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- ▶ **Clearly defined objectives:** your idea is well presented and we can understand the final objective
- ▶ **Feasible activities:** your project is feasible and can be applied to your institutions/campus
- ▶ **Consistency between objectives and activities:** all the activities presented are result oriented
- ▶ **Innovation:** your idea is innovative and out of the box
- ▶ **Added value for Unite!:** Diversity and inclusion; Environment and sustainability; Academic experience, Mobility and Languages; Digitalization
- ▶ **Long-term impact and multiplier capacity:** it is a project that will last and can be adopted in other institutions



# What do I need to Apply?

Two-step simple process

## First Step: Application Form

- ▶ **Student Identification** (full name, institutional email, unite! partner university and faculty, degree)
- ▶ **Title** of the project
- ▶ **Call topic(s)** addressed by the project
- ▶ **Brief description** of the project (including objectives and related activities; max. 2000 characters)
- ▶ **Resources** needed for project implementation (e.g., logistic and human resources)
- ▶ **Commitment** to programme guidelines statement
- ▶ **GDPR** compliance statement

## Second Step: 10 minutes video

- ▶ Present the team
- ▶ Explain your project idea
- ▶ How will your idea impact the students' life on campus?
- ▶ Show added value of your project to your institutions and to all target groups
- ▶ Explain how innovative and creative your idea is
- ▶ Don't forget to focus on your call topic(s)
- ▶ Convince us on why should your project be the winner?



## Where to find Information

- ▶ All information and documentation required to apply (Guide and Team Application Form) will be available on Unite! Metacampus and Unite! Project website ([www.unite-university.eu/](http://www.unite-university.eu/)). Information will also be available on each university's website.
- ▶ The deadline and other information for submitting your applications will be available soon on your university's website

## Contact Points

If you need any help during the application period, please contact the “Contact Point”@your university and don’t forget to marked your e-mail message with **Unite!4Future** in the Subject

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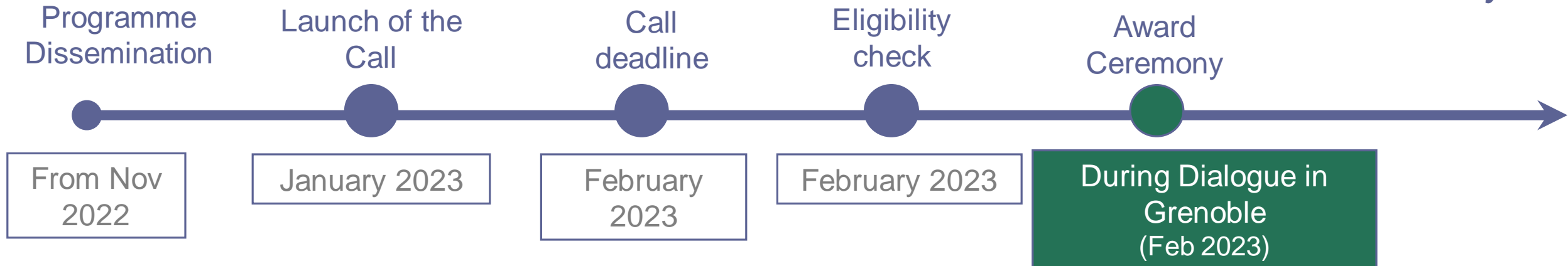
Selection Process and Timeline

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## How will the winner project be selected?



*Unite!4Future award week  
June/July 2023*



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