

VIII INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR “UNIVERSITIES FOR A WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS” – OCTOBER 26TH

Between October 26th and 28th 2016 the VIII International Seminar of CGBU took place at Università di Parma. Researches, Professors, Rectors, Governmental Authorities and Heads of International Organizations, gathered in plenary and parallel sessions for debates related to the central theme of the event: Universities for a world without borders.



The first day started with the Plenary Session 1, which occurred at *Aula Magna* of *Università di Parma*, and with the theme “**High Impact Research: International Panorama and Challenges to Overcome**”. In the opportunity **Professor Satoshi Sugahara**, Researcher from *Kwansei Gakuin* University – Japan chaired the session. Also, we’ve had speeches from **Professor Nelson Marmioli**, from *Università di Parma* – Italy; **Professor Olov Sterner**, from LUND University - Sweden; **Doctor Jamisse Taimo**, General Inspector from the Ministry of Science, Technology, Higher and Technical Education – Mozambique, Professor **Daniel Alvez Natalizi**, representative from National Council of Technological and Scientific Development - Brazil; and **Professor Stefano Sforza**, *Università di Parma* – Italy.



Henceforth, the Parallel Sessions “**High impact Research Development in Africa, America, Asia and Europe**” and “**Internationalisation and Languages Policy**” took place at *Aula II* e *Aula III* of *Università di Parma*. The first of them brought specialists from each of the continents to present high impact researches developed in their institutes. representing Africa, Doctor **Jamisse Taimo**, General Inspector from the Ministry of Science, Technology, Higher and Technical Education - Mozambique; from Americas, Rector **Galo Naranjo** and Professor **Pablo Ulloa**, from *Universidad Técnica de Ambato*, Ecuador; from Asia, Professor **Melissa Abache**, from *KOÇ University, Turkey*; and Doctor **Mustafa Idris Elbashir Ali**, General Secretary Assistant of the Association of Arab Universities, from Jordan. From Europe,

Professor **Gianni Galaverna**, from *Università di Parma*, from Italy and Professor **Olov Sterner** from *Lund University*, Sweden.

Next, the Parallel Session “Internationalisation and Languages Policy” gathered the following speakers: Doctor **Cleunice Rehem**, Higher Education Advisor of Ministry of Education of Brazil; Doctor **Serge Borg**, President of Forum HERACLES, of France; **Julia Morovan**, International Relations Secretary from *Hungarian Rectors’ Conference*, of Hungary; **Professor Doutor Marco Mezzadri**, from *Università di Parma*, of Italy; and **Professor Cristina Robalo Cordeiro**, University of Coimbra, of Portugal.



On the afternoon of the first day the Plenary Session 2 which took place at *Aula Magna* of *Università di Parma*, discussed the theme “**Creative Internationalisation in Crisis Scenarios**”. In the occasion, Professor **Maria Cristina Ossiprandi**, from *Università di Parma* chaired the session which had speeches from the following speakers: Professor **Abdeljalil Akkari**, from *Université de Genève*, from Swiss; Doctor **Palma Costi**, from the Administration of *Regione Emilia Romagna*, Italy; Professor **Zoltan Dubécz**, General Secretary from the Hungarian Rectors’ Conference, Hungary; **Professor Nadia Monacelli**, from *Università di Parma*, Italy; and **Professor Evilázio Teixeira**, Vice Rector from *Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul* (PUC-RS).



Moreover, the Parallel Session “**Higher Education Institutions and relations with the BRICS**” had speeches from Professor **José Celso Freire Junior**, President of The Brazilian Association of International Education (FAUBAI), from Brazil; **Doctor Kyriakoula Petropulacos**, from the Administration of *Regione Emilia Romagna*, of Italy; and **Professor Lucia Scaffardi** from *Università di Parma*, Italy.

