

The project “EGAI – UNITA as a Model for Institutionalized University Cooperation: from the European Grouping of Economic Interest to the European Grouping of Academic Interest” aims to **examine, test and facilitate** the use of a European Grouping of Economic Interest (EEIG) as an instrument of institutionalized university cooperation, with the final goal of designing a new grouping, here called European Grouping of Academic Interest (EGAI).



## KEY ELEMENTS

- Elaboration of a **toolkit of legal instruments** for the concrete functioning of the EEIG
- Drafting of a **proposal for an EU regulation** on a new legal instrument for academic cooperation

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1. University of Torino
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4. University of Zaragoza
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14. Swiss Agency for Accreditation and Quality Assurance (AAQ)
15. Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI)
16. Ministério de Ciência, Tecnologia e Ensino Superior (MCTES) of Portugal
17. Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche (MESR) of France
18. Chamber of Commerce Industry, Crafts and Agriculture (Camera di Commercio Industria Artigianato e Agricoltura CCIAA) of Turin



# EGAI

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15 higher education experts

6 Universities Full Partners of the UNITA Alliance

6 Universities Associated Partners of UNITA

several national higher education authorities

1 Chamber of Commerce

- European Grouping of Economic Interest
- Life-long learning
- Development of a new European regulation concerning a dedicated legal form
- Microcredentials
- Inter - University Cooperation



“The EGAI project is a concrete step toward the realisation of the **European University**. These policies have a crucial role, not only for **academic cooperation and the circulation of ideas**, but more generally for the strengthening of the European identity and **European democracies**.”  
Prof. Barbara Gagliardi, EGAI project coordinator, University of Turin, Italy



“With EGAI, the alliance UNITA will make a relevant contribution to the exploration of new pathways to ensure **long-term sustainability of the European Universities Initiative**.”

Prof. Stefano Geuna, Rector of the University of Turin, Italy

## ACTIVITIES PLANNED

- a) Analysis and definition of the activities which can be entrusted to the EEIG in the light of the concept of «**economic activity**»;
- b) Elaboration of a **legal toolkit** for the provision of personnel and the transfer of data and material resources from the partners to the EEIG (comparative analysis of the relevant legal systems);
- c) Testing the EEIG through the organization of a **lifelong learning initiative** to be carried out by the EEIG and draft the relevant contracts of entrustment from the partners to the grouping;
- d) Contribute to the **European debate** with the elaboration of a **proposal for an EU regulation** (to improve the existing EU institutionalized cooperation instruments); the European Grouping of Academic Interest (EGAI);
- e) Dissemination activities: **scientific conference** in Brussels and **winter school**.

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