



Empowering the next generation of universities

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Day One 8th May 2018

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Registration at the official Summit hotel
10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	Transport from Hotel to Mohamed V University
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	<p>THE Data Masterclass for Moroccan Institutions (Amphi Benabdeljlil-Présidence de l'Université)</p> <p>Phil Baty, editorial director, global rankings, Times Higher Education</p> <p>M'hamed El Aisati, vice-president, project management, funding and content analytics, Elsevier</p> <p>Billy Wong, director, data and analytics, Times Higher Education</p>
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Welcome lunch for speakers (by invitation only)
12:15 PM - 13:30 PM	Delegate lunch on campus
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Cultural activities and campus tours
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Transport to evening welcome drinks reception
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Welcome drinks reception
8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Transport back to Summit Hotel

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Day Two 9th May 2018

08:00 - 08:30 **Transport to the University (Annexe « Grand Maghreb)**

08:30 - 09:00 **Registration & welcome coffee**

09:00 - 09:15 **Opening remarks**

Abdelhanine Belhaj, President, Mohammed V University in Rabat

Saaid Amzazi, Minister of National Education, Professional Training, Higher Education and Scientific Research, Kingdom of Morocco

Phil Baty, editorial director, global rankings

New approaches to widen participation - breaking down barriers to meaningful employment

This session will hear from university leaders and higher education researchers to explore how universities can most effectively support growth in emerging economies by fulfilling the needs of national and international labour markets. Should publicly-funded institutions have a responsibility to addressing inequality of opportunity and inequality of completion? How closely should public and private sector companies intervene to ensure graduates have the technical skills they need? And what type of environment can research universities offer students that provide them with a skill-set that distinguishes them from other tertiary institutions?

09:15 - 10:00 **Opening keynote** : Certainty, change and choice in higher education and economic development
Alan Ruby, senior scholar, University of Pennsylvania

10:00 - 11:15 **Panel Discussion** : Is access the answer? How universities can address inequality of opportunity to support employers
Driss Ouaouicha, President, Al Akhawayn University (Chair)
Sam Fongwa, research specialist, Human Sciences Research Council
Huey-Jen Jenny Su, President, National Cheng Kung University
Ahmed S. Yamani, Rector, Prince Sultan university
Mohamed Albaili, Vice-Chancellor, United Arab Emirates University

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11:15 - 11:45	Networking refreshment
11:45 - 12:30	Keynote Sarah Gravett, Dean of Education, University of Johannesburg
12:30 - 13:30	Networking Lunch
13:00 - 13:30	Book Launch : The Future of Indian Universities Raj Kumar, vice-chancellor, O. P. Jindal Global University
13:30 - 14:45	Panel Discussion : Research universities - a 21st century training hub? Chris Havergal, news editor, Times Higher Education (Chair) Mostapha Bousmina, president, Euromed University of Fes Raj Kumar, founding vice-chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global University Rwekaza Mukandala, vice-chancellor emeritus, University of Dar es Salaam İhsan Sabuncuoğlu, Rector, Abdullah Gül University

Maximising demographic opportunity - how can emerging economies empower universities to support private sector investment?

This session will examine how research universities can encourage further private sector investment in tertiary education. The growth in private-sector enrolment is an inevitable consequence of the growth in demand for tertiary education, especially in large-scale systems in the developing world. How can public research institutions work most effectively within a national tertiary eco-system, creating effective partnerships with their private counterparts? Are research universities able to adapt and evolve to the diverse needs of a rapidly growing market? And can governments regulate and accredit the private sector using the same criteria and standards for public university systems? Or will this suppress innovation?

14:45 - 15:30	Keynote Dong-sung Cho, president, Incheon University
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- 15:30 - 16:15 **Networking refreshment**
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- 16:15 - 17:30 **Panel Discussion** : Public universities supporting private sector growth
Hamid Bouabid, Head of Scientific Research and Higher Education Evaluation, Higher Council of Education, Training and Scientific Research, Morocco (Chair)
Hassan Al-Derham, President, Qatar University
Mills Soko, Director, Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town
Mukti Mishra, president, Centurion University of Technology and Management, and chairman, Gram Tarang
Brahim Benjelloun Touimi, chief executive officer, BMCE Bank of Africa Group
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- 17:30 - 17:35 **Closing remarks**
Abdelhanine Belhaj, president, Mohammed V University in Rabat
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- 17:40 - 18:00 **Transport back to Summit Hotel**
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- 19:00 - 19:30 **Drinks Reception - Hotel Sofitel Rabat Jardin des Roses**
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- 19:30 - 19:35 **Welcome remarks**
Abdelhanine Belhaj, President, Mohammed V
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- 19:35 - 19:45 **Launch of the Emerging Economies University Ranking 2018**
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- 19:45 – 22:00 **Gala Dinner (by Invitation only)**

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Day Three 10th May 2018

08:15 - 08:45 **Transport to the University (Annexe Grand Magherb)**

08:45 - 09:00 **Welcome coffee**

09:00-10:15 **2018 Emerging Economies Rankings & Masterclass**
Phil Baty, editorial director, global rankings, Times Higher Education
Billy Wong, lead data scientist Times Higher Education
M'hamed El Aisati, vice-president, project management
funding and content analytics, Elsevier

How higher education can prove the returns on national investment

This session will ask if the focus of governments and donor agencies on the 'global knowledge economy' and preparing graduates for the fourth industrial revolution risks exacerbating inequalities in developing countries. We will debate if measures for assessing the impact and value of higher education institutions encouraging policies for growth that are unsustainable? Or else, should university leaders be more effective in arguing for greater funding, in competition against resources for non-tertiary education?

10:15 - 10:45 **Networking coffee**

10:45 - 11:30 **Keynote** : The Russian Academic Excellence Initiative: lessons learned
Andrei Volkov, deputy chairman, 5-100 Russian Academic Excellence Initiative Council

11:30 - 12:15 **Project 5-100 Subject rankings development**
Andrey Svistunov, vice-rector, I.M. Sechenov First Moscow State Medical University
Grigory Zaslavsky, rector, Russian Institute of Theatre Arts GITIS
Billy Wong, lead data scientist Times Higher Education

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12:15 - 13:15 **Networking Lunch**

13:15 - 14:30 **Panel discussion** : Securing stable investment for responsible higher education development
Wail Benjelloun, President, UNIMED (Chair)
Tod Laursen, President, Khalifa University of Science and Technology
Jaroslav Miller, Rector, Palacký University
Abel Idowu Olayinka, Vice-Chancellor, University of Ibadan
Azzedine El Midaoui, President of the College of University Presidents(CPU) of Morocco
Christina Valimaki, Vice-President of segment marketing, Elsevier

14:30 - 15:00 **Networking refreshments**

The skills gap in higher education - how can the next generation of talent be produced and retained?

This session will discuss the skills gap in higher education in emerging economies; asking how talent can be better developed and secured for sustainable institutional growth. How can research universities in emerging economies compete against the private sector to offer the career opportunities that talented graduates desire? What can university leaders do to bring diaspora talent, or even overseas alumni back to grow their institutions? Is prestige attached to the necessary skills, or should a greater emphasis be placed on pedagogy and creating more effective academic career development? What technological innovations may be employed to better enable talented faculty expand their reach and impact?

15:00 - 15:45 **Keynote** : Preparing students for the 21st Century
Mamdouh Shoukri, president emeritus, York University

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15:45 - 16:45 **Panel Discussion** : How can academic research compete for talent?

Amine Bensaid, President, Mundiapolis University (Chair)

Ioannis Karakassis, Deputy Rector of Academic Affairs,
University of Crete

Abdulrahman Obaid Al-Youbi, President, King Abdulaziz University

Mikhail Strikhanov, Rector, MEPHI University

Manoranjan Parida, Dean (SRIC), Indian Institute of
Technology Roorkee

16:45 - 17:00 **Closing remarks**

Phil Baty

Abdelhanine Belhaj, President, Mohammed V University in
Rabat

17:00 - 17:15 **Transport back to Summit Hotel**
