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## YEBO! Special Event within EUA-CDE Annual Meeting

YEBO partners from Europe and South Africa are meeting in Brescia from 12th to 14th June to participate in a series of Workshops within **EUA-CDE** Annual Meeting

The EUA Council for Doctoral Education (EUA-CDE) invites academic leaders, heads of doctoral schools, doctoral education professionals, early career researchers and everybody interested in the area of doctoral education from Europe and beyond to its 2019 Annual Meeting to reflect on the doctoral education structures, policies and practices that facilitate the societal dimension of the contribution made by doctoral education and other sectors of society.

The YEBO Special-Event will provide an overview of the South African context and the challenges faced. The discussion will cover in particular the common and complementary challenges faced by European and South African universities in the internationalisation of their doctoral education. In particular, it will show how internationalisation can help universities thousands of miles apart bring together their potentials and respective strengths.

Participants: Therina Theron, Senior Director for Research and Innovation, Stellenbosch University; Burtam Fielding, Director of Research Office, University of Western Cape; Laetus Lategan, Senior Director of Research, Central University of Technology; Nadia Lagarde, Deputy-Director at International Relations Department, University of Montpellier.

## About YEBO! Developing Internationalization of PhD studies in South Africa **Erasmus+ Capacity building project**

This project has been funded by the Erasmus+ program of the European Union in October 2017. YEBO! is a Capacity Building Project aiming to help with the modernization, the accessibility and the internationalization of higher education in the partners' countries.

The general objective of YEBO! project is to foster and develop the internationalization of doctoral studies in South Africa.

The project aims to achieve in 3 years:

- the increase of awareness of the current situation and challenges of PhD internationalization activity (Report published in June 2018);
- the improvement of the skills of South African universities concerning the internationalization of PhD Studies via 4 training sessions;
- to facilitate the access to information concerning funding, mobility, and administrative procedures of PhD programs via a dedicated Web Platform;
- to promote the internationalization of PhD studies in South Africa and Europe via 4 conferences.

## **Partners**

University of Montpellier, France University of Cape Town, South Africa University Stellenbosch, South Africa Tshwane University of Technology, South Africa University of Pretoria, South Africa University of Western Cape, South Africa Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa Central University of Technology, South Africa Ghent University, Belgium Uppsala University, Sweden

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