

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION

The Voice of European Universities

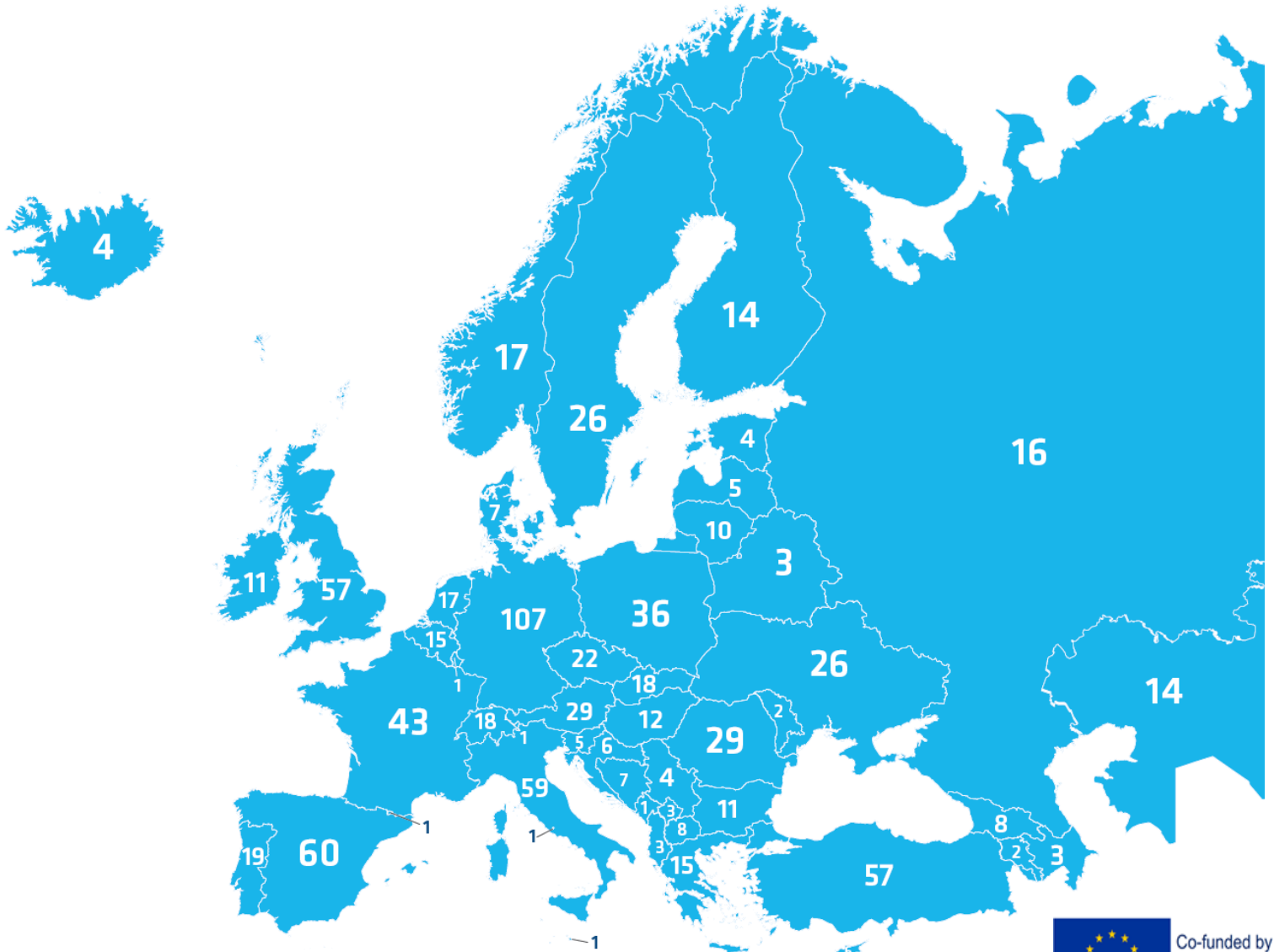
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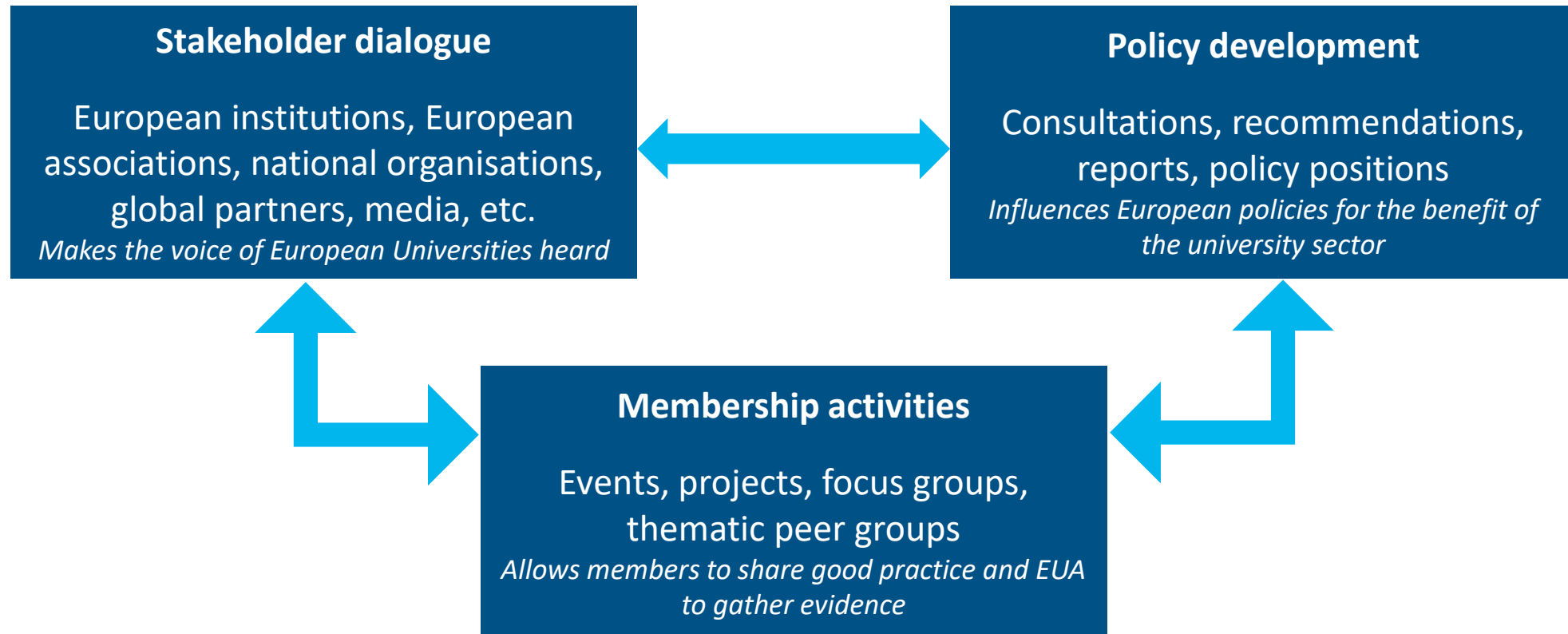
EUA has about
850 members
based in 48
countries



Main objectives

- **Facilitates dialogue** on higher education & research
- **Represents the interests** of higher education sector
- Ensures the voice of universities is heard in **EU policy making**
- **Support its members** with a range of **services** (strategy development, thematic peer groups & focus groups, events and publications)

Main activities





PRIORITY 1: EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY

PRIORITY 2: HORIZON SCANNING

PRIORITY 3: EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY

**PRIORITY 4: ENABLING ENHANCED
PERFORMANCE**

EUA units

1. Higher Education Policy and Internationalisation

EHEA & Bologna Follow-Up, Erasmus+, E-Learning, ...

2. Governance, Funding and Public Policy Development

Public Funding Observatory, Autonomy, Mergers, ...

3. Institutional Development

Quality Assurance, rankings, EQAF, coordination of Institutional Evaluation Programme, ...

4. Research and Innovation

ERA, Horizon 2020, Horizon Europe, Open Science, Big Deals; Innovation Ecosystems...

5. Communications, Public affairs and Membership

Selected relevant projects and tools

USTREAM
project

Universities for
**Strategic,
Efficient &
Autonomous
Management**

Efficient and effective funding
systems: [USTREAM](#) (2016-2019)



**University Autonomy
in Europe** 🇺🇸 🇩🇪 🇫🇷 🇮🇹

Learn about the importance
of university autonomy and
its considerable benefits.

Select one of the countries
on the right to start.

The graphic shows a map of Europe with circular icons for each country, each containing a small flag and a number representing the autonomy score. The EUA logo is in the top left corner.

EUA university autonomy
[scorecard](#), comparing degree
of autonomy in 29 systems

DEFINE PROJECT

Designing Strategies for [Efficient
Funding](#) of Higher Education in Europe
(2012-2015)



**PUBLIC FUNDING
OBSERVATORY**

Monitor and compare how
European countries finance
universities.

The graphic shows a map of Europe with lightbulb icons of various colors (green, red, yellow) placed over different countries, representing public funding trends. The text is on the right side.

[Annual monitoring](#) of trends in
public funding since 2008 in 30
systems

Selected relevant EUA events



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22 September | 14:00 CEST
#EUAFundingForum

2020 EUA FUNDING FORUM
The future of EU funding for education and research

 Pieter Duisenberg
VSNU

 Mariya Gabriel
European Commission

 Michael Murphy
EUA

 Christian Ehler
European Parliament

Biennial [European event](#) for university leaders, managers and policy-makers to share, learn, grow and improve in strategic governance and funding matters.



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ONLINE EVENT

2021 EUA Annual Conference
Universities 2030: From vision to reality
22 – 23 APR 2021
[ONLINE CONFERENCE](#)

An ambitious debate about the path universities must take to remain resilient and relevant in the next decade, drawing upon the EUA's vision outlined in the publication [“Universities without walls – A vision for 2030”](#).

EUA support to national reform discussions in higher-education



Transition to University
Autonomy in [Kazakhstan](#)
(2017-2020)



Development, reform and
modernisation of HEIs in [Armenia](#),
[Moldova and Ukraine](#) (2012-2015)

Current projects on governance and leadership:

NEWLEAD (2020-2023)

newlead

INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP AND CHANGE
MANAGEMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION

- Equipping universities and their leaders to address policy priorities and challenges;
- Enabling leaders and senior managers to successfully steer complex institutional transformation agendas.

The NEWLEAD project will address institutional leadership development through the lenses of several transversal topics, such as:

- *female leadership in higher education*
- *equity, diversity and social inclusion*
- *sustainability*
- *collaboration and engagement with ecosystems*
- *evolving labour market needs*
- *efficiency and effectiveness*
- *service to society*
- *resilience*
- *effective governance*

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Thank you for your attention

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