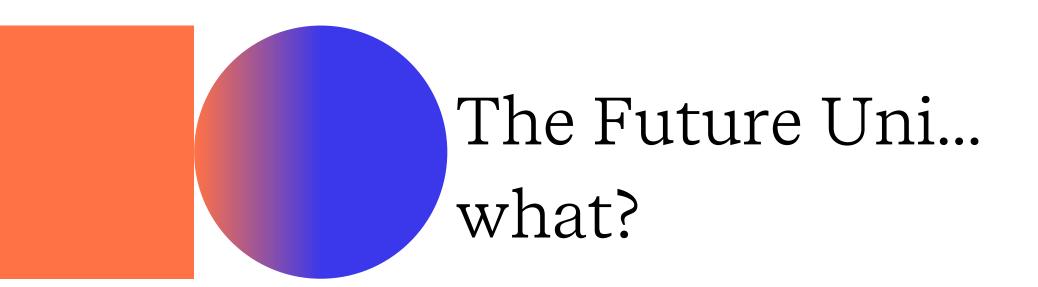




"Our ambition is to become an important source of innovative ideas and inspiration for Una Europa and, more generally, European universities."

The Future UniLab Steering Committee





## The Future University Lab (Future UniLab)

A <u>think-tank</u> led by the Jagiellonian University which <u>challenges the Una Europa ecosystem</u> in order to enhance innovative ideas and inspiration throughout Una Europa and European Universities.

It is an <u>open and borderless space</u> for strategic reflection, innovation and experimentation in relation to the university of the future, which generates a unique inter-university environment.

Our mission? Re-thinking the University of the Future.



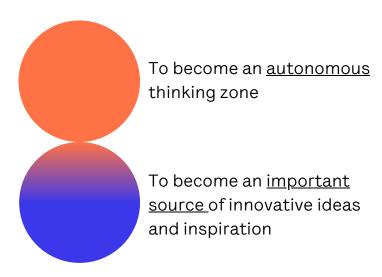
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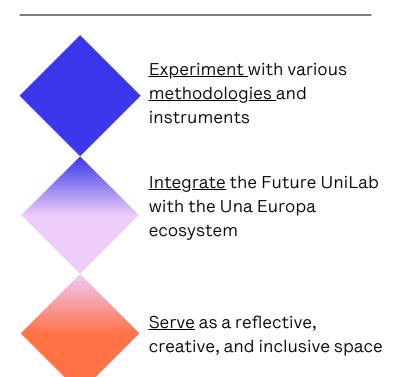
# What is the Future UniLab?



#### Aims



#### Goals



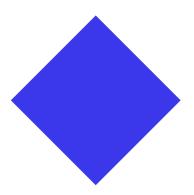


## The Future UniLab Uniqueness

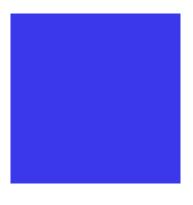




<u>Innovative solutions</u> and proposals based on the out-of-the-box methodology.



Inclusion of people with different backgrounds and qualifications which allows for a diverse environment with diverse ideas.



Improving the Una Europa environment through the different challenges and opportunities.



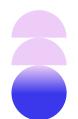
Developing ground-breaking tools and models for <u>cooperation in</u>
<u>European Higher Education</u>.



# The impact of our work



Our role is to initiate and stimulate discussion. We leave the implementation of specific solutions to the different Working Groups, Clusters, and Self-Steering Committees. Our task is to inspire and provoke thought, even with creative elements like an animated poem or a cocktail metaphor.

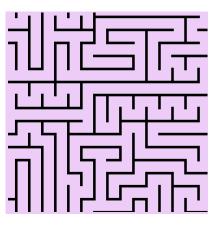


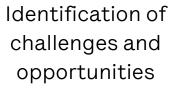
- 1. Envisioning reports inspired the creation of our position paper, "The European University of the Future".
- 2. This paper, in turn, inspired some ideas in the <u>Una Europa 2030 Strategy</u>.
- 3. The concept note on Open Science developed by Future UniLab was part of the outputs of <u>Una.Resin</u>.
- 4. The Visionary Report "Sustainability vs. Mobility" is being used in the "Sustainable Academic Mobility" training offered to academic staff at the Jagiellonian University.



# The Future UniLab Workflow

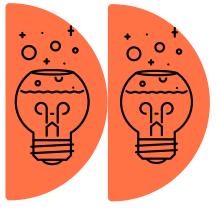








Appointment of Visionary Teams



Ideas Lab



Design Desk



Spotlight



## The Journey



#### **Steering Committee**

Representatives from partner Universities

Selection of challenges and opportunities

#### Ideas Lab

The Visionary Teams

Concept Note Report Position Paper

#### Design Desk

The Design Desk

Advice Feedback Implementation

#### Spotlight

The Future UniLab Insight

Creative way of presenting the work of the Future UniLab



## The Future UniLab Structure



#### Steering Committee

One representative from each Una Europa partner university nominated for a term of 4 years plus a

member of Una Europa Governance and Student Board. Its role is to:



Oversee the importance of the Future UniLab.



Adopt the Future UniLab's long-term strategy.



Develop and adopt annual action plans.



Select the challenges and opportunities.





### Meet our Steering Committee



#### **FUTURE UNILAB**



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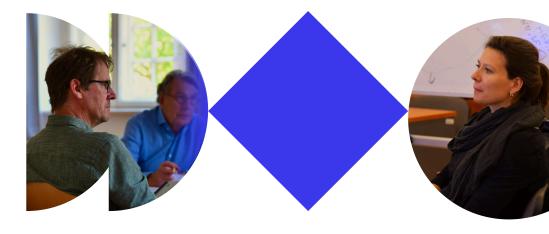


## The Future UniLab Structure

#### **Fellows**

Senior Fellows: with their diverse professional backgrounds, they provide guidence and input for the realisation of the Future UniLab Steering Committee's long-term strategy, its development and actively contribute to addressing the challenges and opportunities it faces.

<u>Fellows</u>: includes researchers, teachers, professional staff members or students, who may be appointed to work in the Visionary teams or Design teams.







## The Future UniLab Structure

#### Management Team

#### Future UniLab Manager

Assists the Steering Committee, coordinates the activities of the think-tank and liaisons with the other Una Europa bodies.

#### <u>Assistant Managers</u>

Provide administrative support to the Future UniLab Manager as well as support the dissemination and visibility of information (and outputs) of the Future UniLab of the think-tank within and outside Una Europa.





## Input



Steering Committee's own reflection



Una Europa Bodies



Academic Community (participatory methodology)



### Ideas Lab & Design Desk 🖫





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Once the challenges and opportunities are selected, they are handed to the Visionary teams.

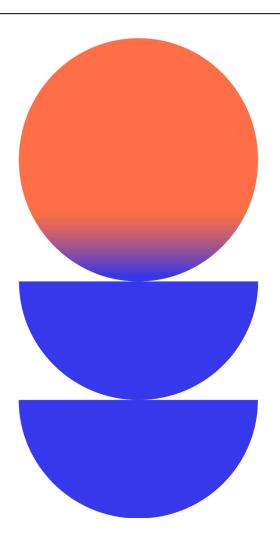
Fellows who are appointed to work freely on one challenge or opportunity, receive the name of <u>Visionaries</u>. They are specialists from within and outside of academia who shall offer innovative solutions to the problems.

The output (the Ideas Lab) produced can be a:

- Concept note
- Report
- Prototype
- Position paper

Once the Visionaries present an idea, the <u>Design</u> team takes the lead by assisting the relevant Una Europa bodies in the implementation process by providing consultation, advice, and feedback.





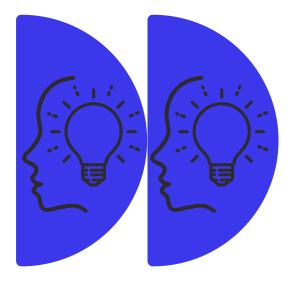
### The Future UniLab Challenges and Opportunities





Challenges

Fundamental problems for the future of universities.



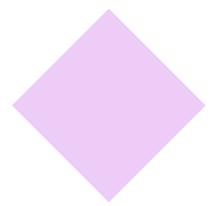
Opportunities

Circumstances potentially enabling rapid changes.



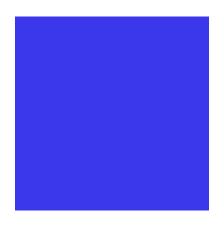
# Selection of challenges and opportunities





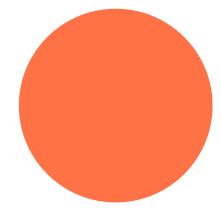
#### **Complexity**

Needs to contain complex and fundamental issues in the context of the future of universities.



#### Relevance

Relevant for the future of Una Europa.



#### Resourcefulness

Resources need to exist to tackle the given challenge/opportunity.



# 2024: Taking Values Seriously



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#### Sustainability vs. Mobility

The "versus" in the topic given to this visionary team is evident if one looks at greenhouse gas emissions caused by mobility. However, sustainability is much more than climate protection. Instead of turning Mobility against Sustainabilit the visionary team looked for ways to reconcile the two. Read through their report <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.



#### Relevance of Universities

Speaking about the relevance of universities in the future one needs to leave the beaten path of traditional methodology and use tools which prompt imagination and help to see the issues involved from different, often unorthodox perspectives. Check their toolkit for thinking <u>here</u>.



#### Being Human in a Digital World

What does it mean to be human in these digital worlds? How can our humanness be reinforced, re-envisioned, or expanded? The visionary analysis can be found here.



#### Learning, Values and Impact

The University of the Future aims to impact society by developing a comprehensive institutional vision that enhances both student personal development and societal advancement. The factors required to accomplish this vision can be found in the visionary report <u>here</u>.



## Examples of other identified challenges and called for solutions



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How to integrate the universities with their ecosystem - locally, nationally and internationally?



The <u>cocktail university</u> - wealth in diversity and inclusion.



How can universities balance the need for international academic mobility with the urgent call for sustainable practices and reduced environmental impact?



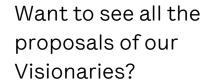
The <u>Una Forest</u> concept aims at offsetting the environmental impact of academic travel by supporting sustainable reforestation efforts.



Which core values should inform the University of the Future to avoid the binaries of the traditional ivory tower and rigid managerialism?



<u>Anti-Kafka Taskforce</u>, which delivers the most critical messages about the useless tasks or unnecessary complexities which shift the universities away from their actual aims.







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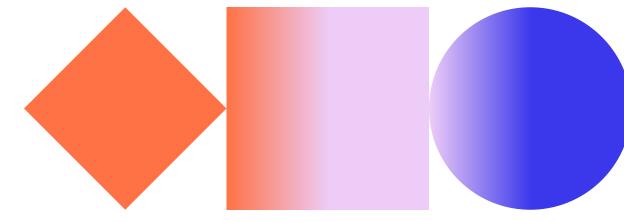
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