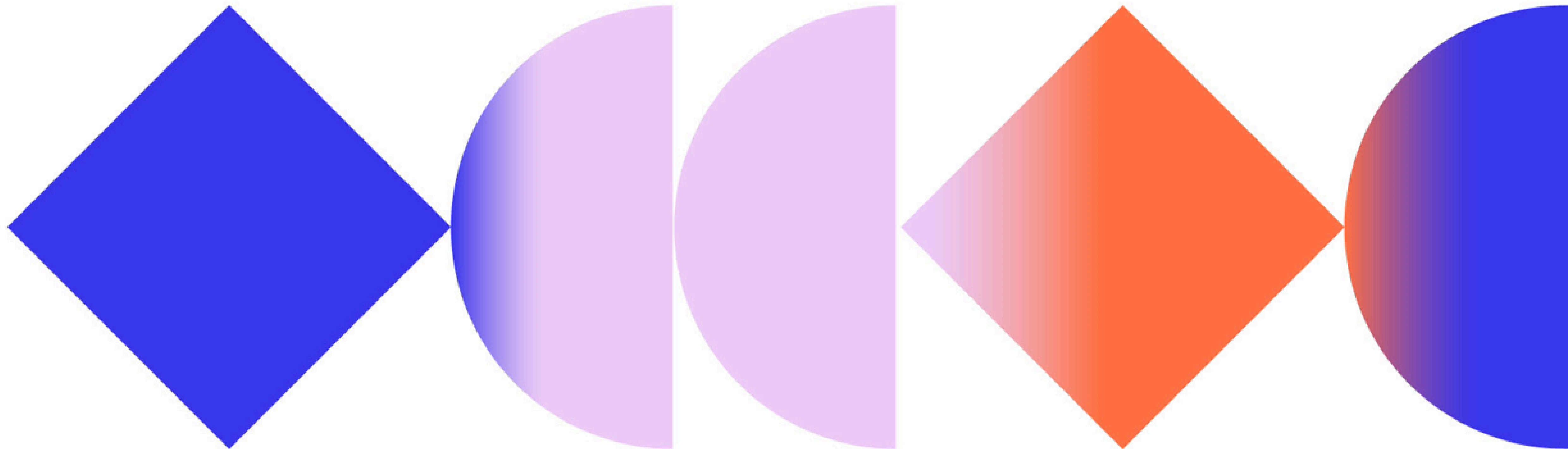


Overview of Una Europa implemented Joint Innovative Formats for Education



2022-2024



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Our joint education

Educating future European citizens is essential for addressing global societal challenges. In alignment with the [Una Europa 2030 Strategy](#), the alliance has therefore committed to consolidating and expanding its portfolio of interdisciplinary joint education at all levels of higher education.

Building on [Una Europa's previous achievements](#), project teams composed of academics and professional services staff from across the alliance have been established over the last two years to continue developing Joint Innovative Formats for Education for Bachelor's students, Master's students, doctoral researchers and for lifelong learners in Una Europa's six interdisciplinary Focus Areas: Cultural Heritage; Data Science and Artificial Intelligence; Europe and the World; Future Materials; One Health; and Sustainability.

Una Europa Joint Innovative Formats for Education offer students and learners across Europe a unique opportunity to engage with multiple fields of study and broaden their perspectives. These Joint Formats enhance student mobility, providing opportunities to experience diverse academic cultures across member institutions. Additionally, Una Europa fosters innovative curriculum development that aligns with contemporary global challenges, equipping learners with relevant skills for their future careers.

Una Europa Joint Innovative Formats for Education are developed by at least three Una Europa universities, following Una Europa joint quality assurance principles and in strong alignment with the [Una Europa Transversal Themes](#): Diversity and inclusion; International dimension; Mobility; Research and innovation; Student-centered and research-driven teaching and learning informed by linguistic and cultural awareness; and Sustainability and climate protection.

Thanks to the [Una Europa project team approach](#), all project teams benefit from the strong support of Una Europa flexible support services, which consist of teams of professionals from all 11 Una Europa universities.

This overview showcases Una Europa's achievements in developing joint degree programmes, implementing short blended programmes, and creating flexible learning opportunities accessible to a broad audience.

Una Europa is also committed to sharing its formats, equipping policymakers and higher education practitioners both inside and outside of European Universities alliances with the [blueprints for our successful pilot programmes](#), thus facilitating the uptake of formats in different contexts and accelerating the transformation of European higher education.





Joint degree programmes

Una Europa joint degree programmes are designed to harness the complementary strengths of our partner universities and follow the alliance's guiding pedagogical principles of offering high-quality research-based education that is interdisciplinary, multilingual and international at the core. They equip students with disciplinary and interdisciplinary knowledge and skills, intercultural awareness, a problem-solving mindset as well as the ability to work in teams and think critically.

Una Europa has already developed and successfully implemented joint programmes at Bachelor and at doctoral level, and published manuals and guidelines to facilitate the replication of our Bachelor format and our doctoral format in other (inter-)disciplinary areas. Una Europa has now the ambition to continue to expand its joint degree offerings, also at Master level.

With its joint degree programmes, Una Europa aims to help make the European Higher Education Area a reality and contribute to advancing towards a European Degree.

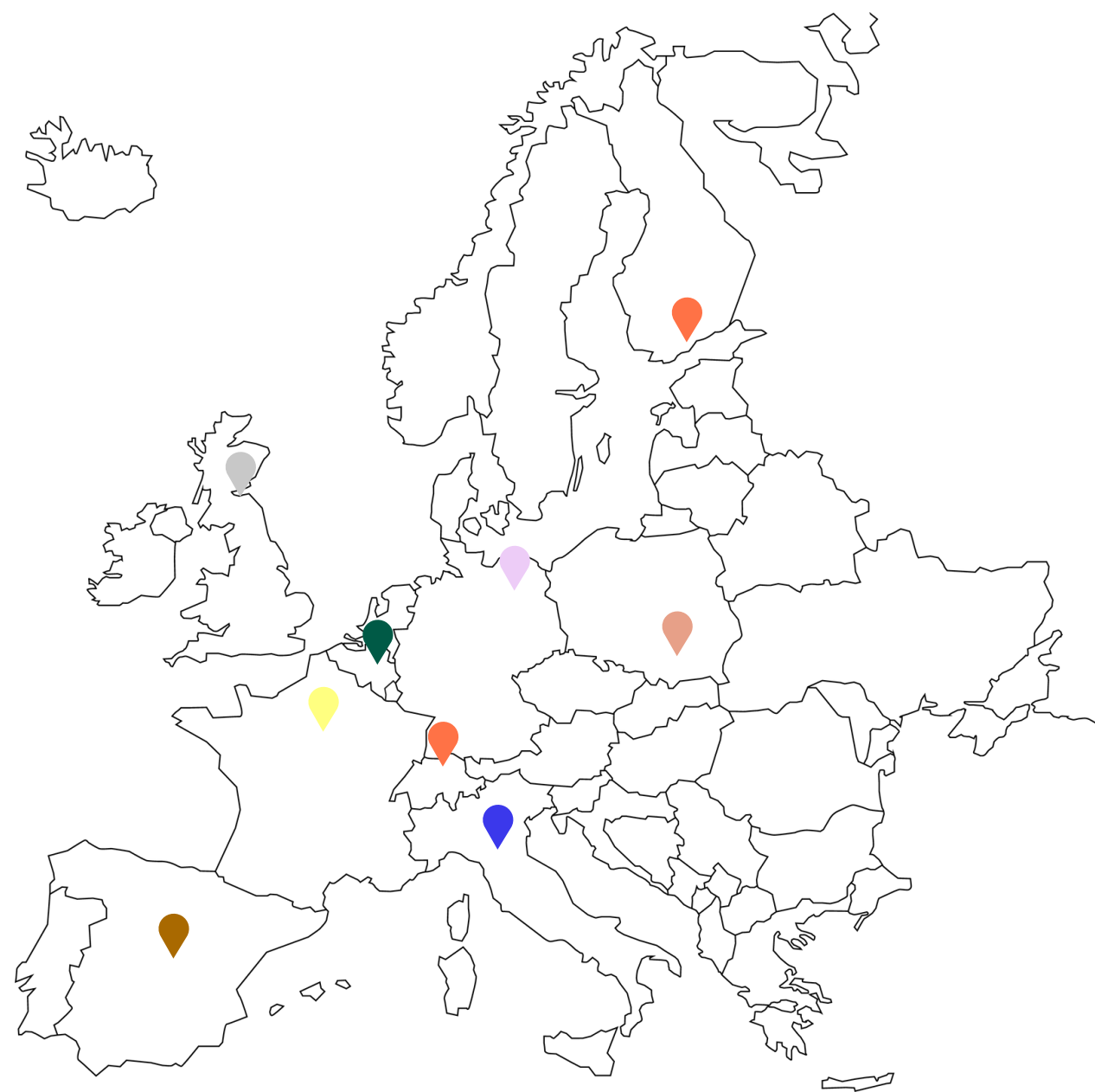
A. Joint Bachelor in European Studies

B. Joint Bachelor in Sustainability

C. Joint doctoral programme in Cultural Heritage

Joint Bachelor in European Studies

First of its kind on the educational landscape in Europe, the Joint Bachelor in European Studies gives students a deep understanding of the complexity of Europe and European organisations. It prepares students to work in a European environment, which is increasingly important in the context of ever-deeper European integration and globalisation.



+ Lead University

KU Leuven

+ Partner Universities

Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie, Universidad Complutense de Madrid (Degree-awarding)
Freie Universität Berlin, University of Edinburgh, Helsingin Yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Universität Zürich (Mobility partners)

+ Open to

EU and non-EU students

+ Multilingual

Courses in English and local languages
Language courses included in the study programme

+ Innovative

Jointly developed programme, jointly taught courses and co-supervised bachelor thesis
A joint degree awarded by 4 universities

+ Interdisciplinary

Multidisciplinary approach to European Studies, a ‘truncus communis’ composed of multidisciplinary courses, introductions to different disciplines and specialisations via majors and minor courses, transversal skills courses, research track and internship

+ International

Up to three mobility semesters

+ Structure

Three years, six semesters and 180 ECTS

+ Launching date

September 2022

+ Learners enrolled

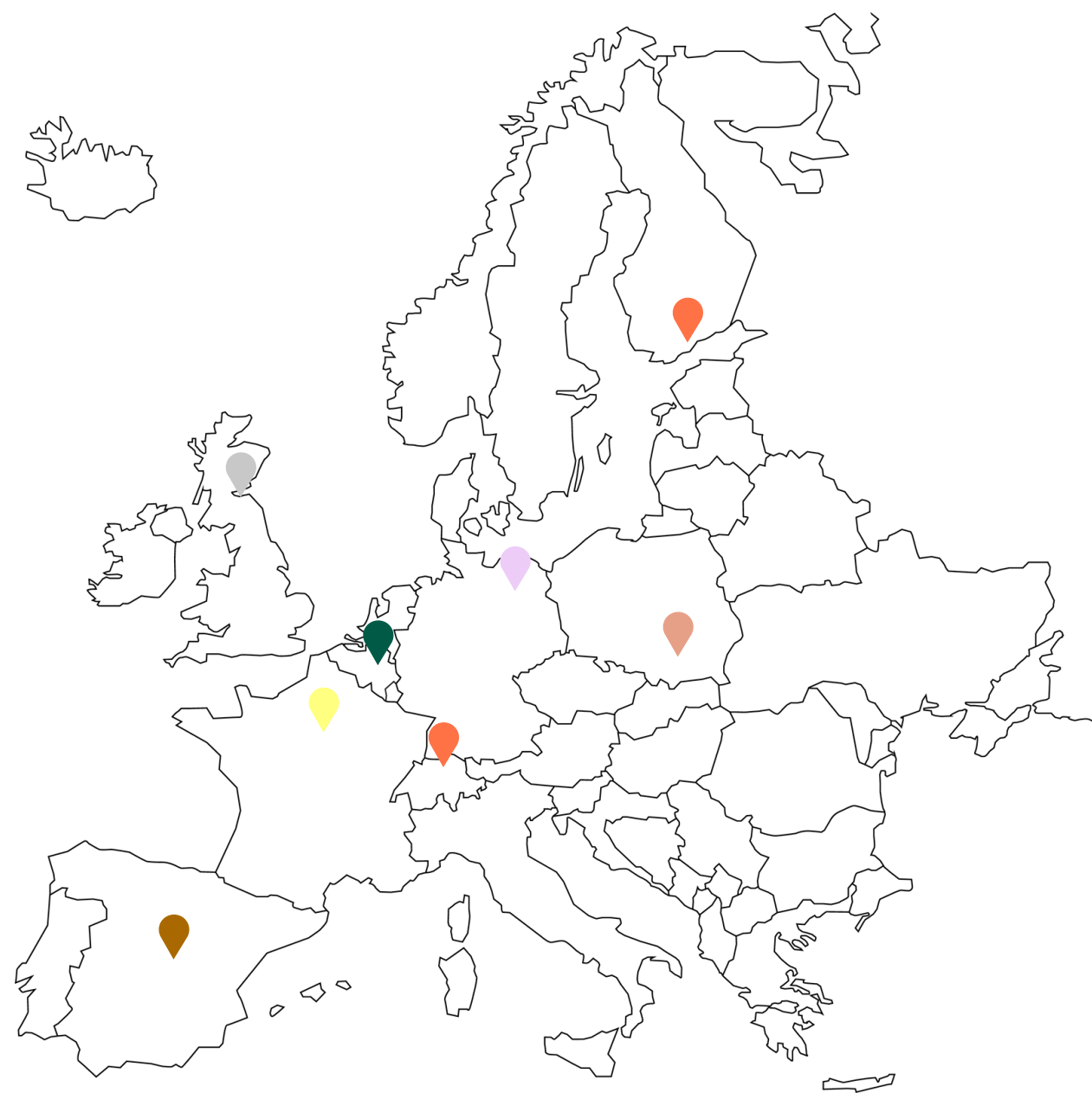
3 cohorts, 820 students

+ For more information

[Website](#)

Joint Bachelor in Sustainability

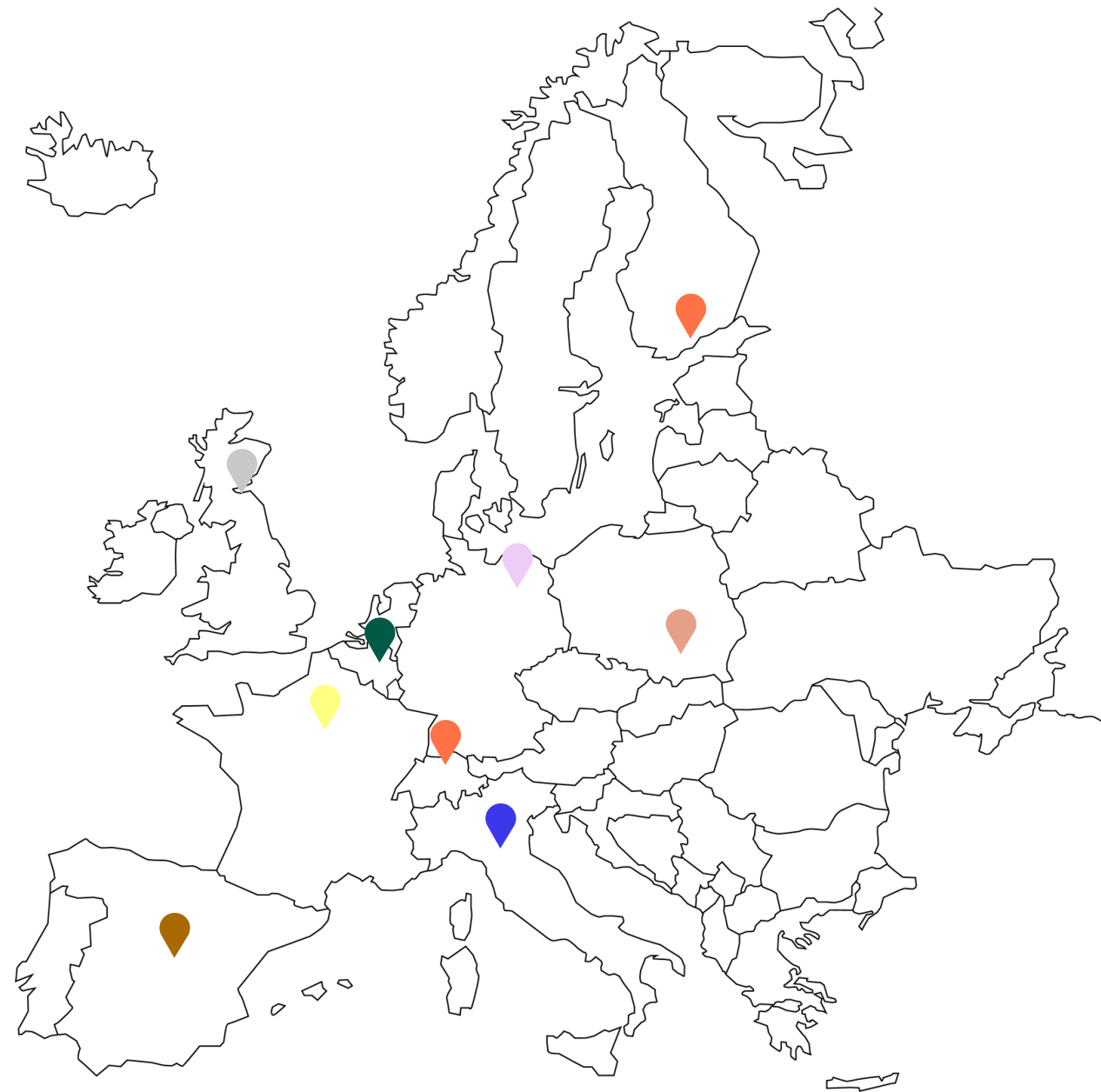
The Una Europa Joint Bachelor in Sustainability allows the alliance to reach new heights of co-teaching and of interdisciplinarity at Bachelor level. Students will be equipped to address the major challenges of tomorrow, in full alignment with the EU GreenComp framework and while developing a strong European and global perspective.



+ Lead University	Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie
+ Partner Universities	KU Leuven, Helsingin Yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Universität Zürich (Degree-awarding) + Freie Universität Berlin, University of Edinburgh (Mobility partners)
+ Open to	EU and non-EU students
+ Multilingual	Programme fully taught in English, with the possibility of taking elective courses in the national languages of the partner universities, foreign language courses
+ Innovative	Jointly developed programme and courses, co-teaching thanks to a high level of staff mobility, openness to challenge-based learning and service learning, possibility of co-supervised bachelor thesis, a joint degree awarded by 6 universities
+ Interdisciplinary	Six interdisciplinary specialisation tracks (ranging from natural and exact sciences to social sciences and humanities), transversal skills courses
+ International	All students starting on the same campus, possibility of up to four mobility semesters, additional short-term mobility and virtual mobility opportunities
+ Structure	Three years, six semesters and 180 ECTS
+ Launching date	Consortium agreement signed in June 2024, expected beginning of teaching period: Autumn 2025
+ Learners enrolled	180 students per cohort (expected)
+ For more information	Website

Joint doctoral programme in Cultural Heritage

Co-created by cultural heritage experts across the alliance with different disciplinary backgrounds, languages, scientific traditions and methodological approaches, the joint doctoral programme 'Una-Her-Doc' contributes to creating a transnational research ecosystem in Cultural Heritage. The programme sets out to drive forward the education of European experts in different fields of Cultural Heritage and prepare graduates for different career paths on the European labour market.



+ Lead University	Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
+ Partner Universities	Freie Universität Berlin, Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, University of Edinburgh, Helsingin Yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie, KU Leuven, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Universität Zürich
+ Open to	Doctoral researchers of Una Europa universities
+ Multilingual	Courses and PhD thesis in English and local languages, mandatory language courses
+ Innovative	Joint approach to heritage studies, joint governance, joint Una-Her-Doc certificate delivered in addition to the joint or double degree of two co-supervising universities, four Una Europa universities on the Expert Committee of each doctoral candidate
+ Interdisciplinary	High variety of disciplines, joint interdisciplinary courses, four Transnational Research Teams as a basis of an interdisciplinary research ecosystem
+ International	12 months mobility, additional research stays, international cohort that regularly interacts with each other through PhD workshops, transnational research teams or joint courses and seminars
+ Structure	Up to 4 years, 30 ECTS
+ Launching date	February 2022
+ Learners enrolled	3 cohorts, 35 doctoral candidates
+ For more information	Website



Short blended programmes

From PhD workshops to joint summer schools for different levels of higher education, Una Europa is currently consolidating its future education model based on challenges, research and interdisciplinarity. Una Europa short blended programmes create the ideal environment for pedagogical innovations, research-centered education and international community-building, while offering new mobility opportunities to students and learners.

Una Europa is currently developing a sustainable framework and guidelines to facilitate the implementation of additional short blended programmes within and beyond the alliance.

[A. European Studies Winter School 2023](#)

[B. One Health Summer School 2023](#)

[C. One Health Summer School 2024](#)

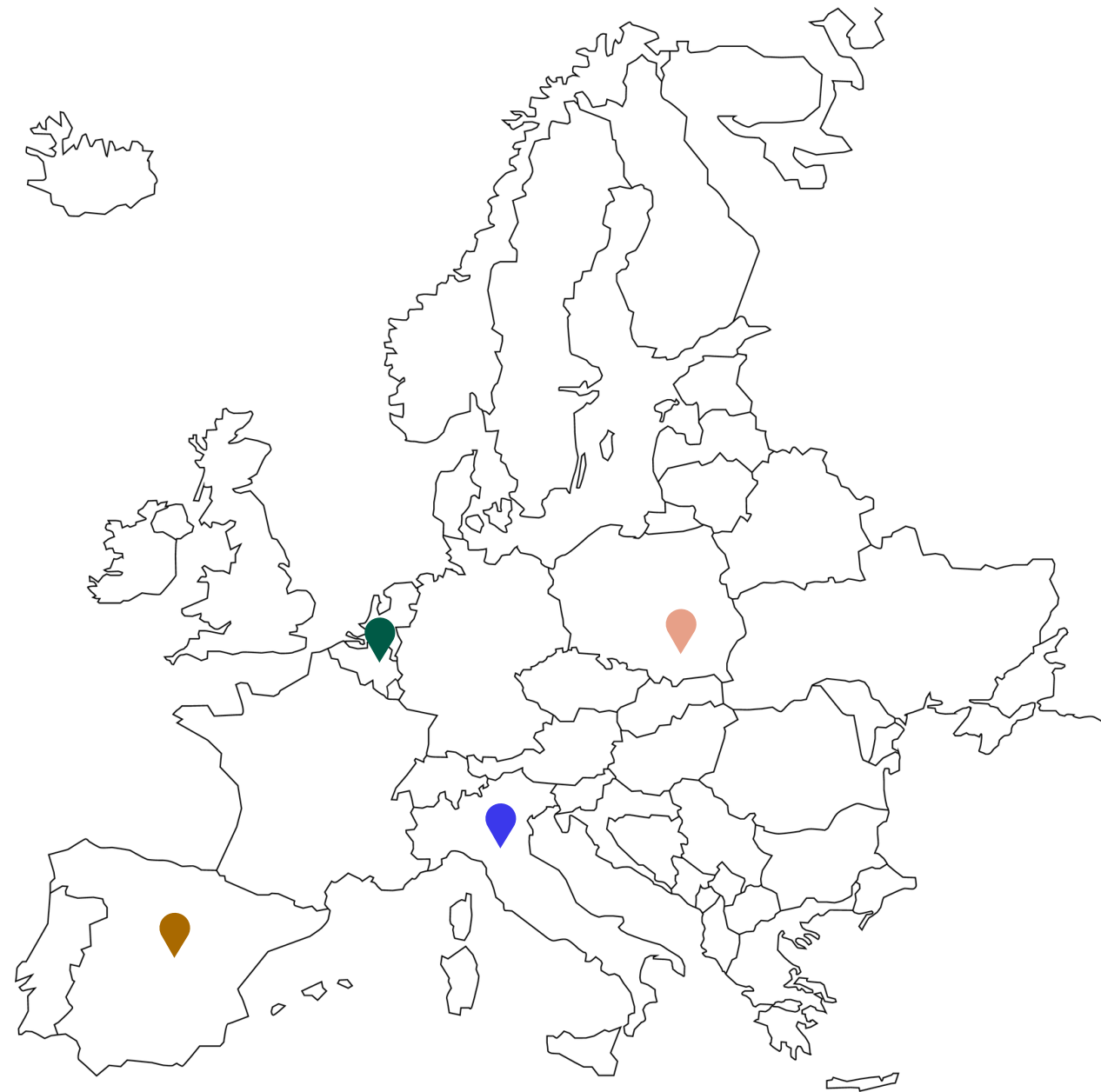
[D. PhD workshop: Restoring Cultural Heritage: Critical Approaches 2024](#)

[E. Sustainability in Communication and Education Summer School 2024](#)

[F. Artificial Intelligence and creativity Summer School 2024](#)

European Studies Winter School 2023

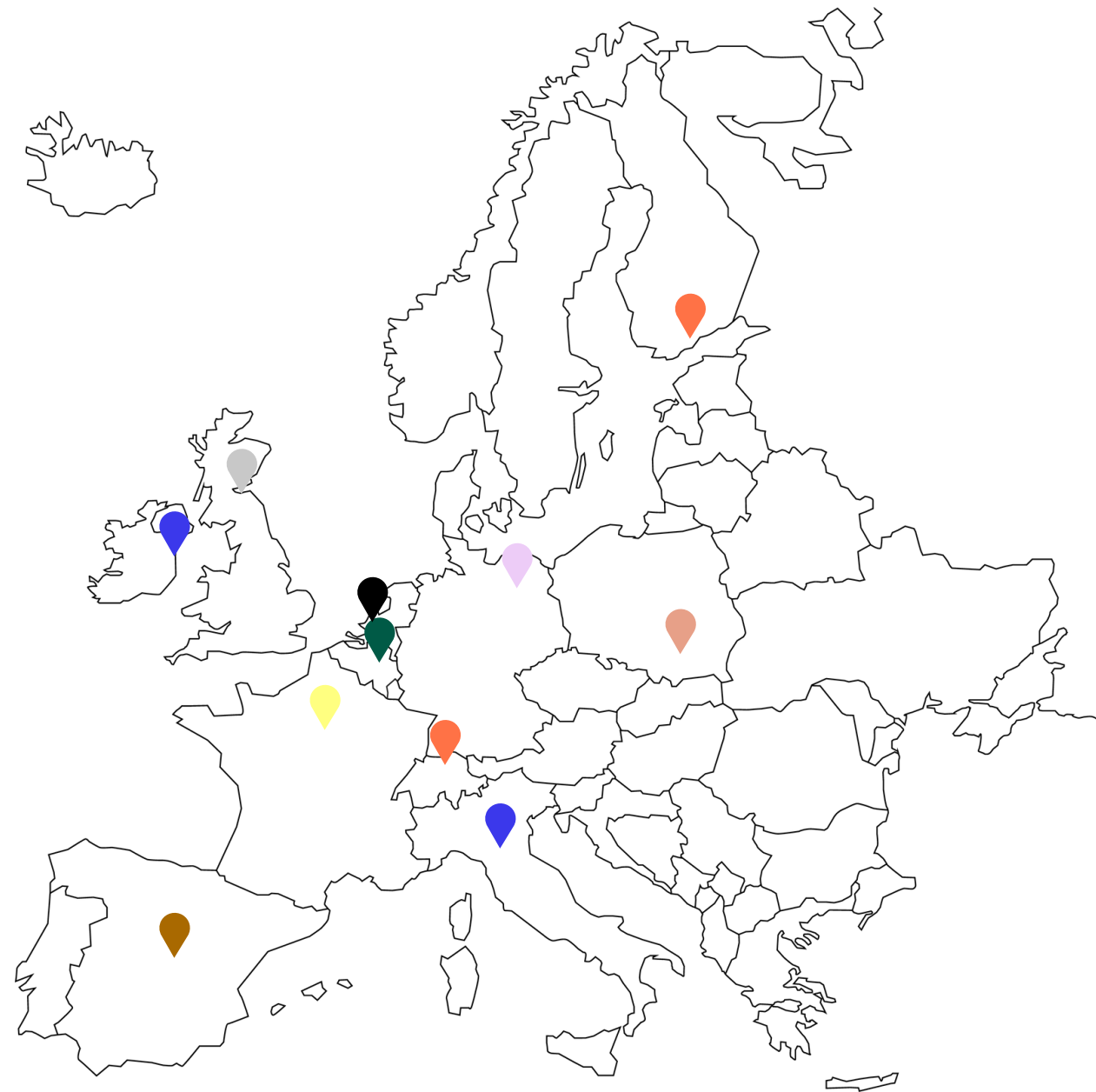
The European Studies Winter School was the very first in-person meeting of the student groups who constitute the BAES Class of 2025. Fully integrated in the study programme, the Winter School provided the students with the opportunity to connect with their fellow students, to enhance their intercultural communication skills in practice, while at the same time giving them direct insights into the ways of working of the European institutions.



+ Lead University	KU Leuven
+ Partner Universities	Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
+ Open to	Students enrolled in the BAES (class 2025)
+ Multilingual	English as working language
+ Innovative	Blended programme, community-building experience to feel the BAES effect and prepare the students for their future careers, built around a five-day problem-solving exercise on the outcomes and recommendations of the Conference on the Future of Europe, social events and field trips to Brussels
+ Interdisciplinary	Deepens the students' theoretical knowledge in European integration, based on the input of a diverse group of students with very different political and cultural backgrounds
+ International	Brings physically together, to the heart of Europe, the BAES students of class 2025 who started on 4 different campus across Europe
+ Structure	Blended joint course followed on 4 different campus, 5 days of physical mobility to Brussels, Belgium
+ Date	17 - 21 December 2023
+ Learners enrolled	178 students in presence, and 26 students online
+ For more information	Website

One Health Summer School 2023

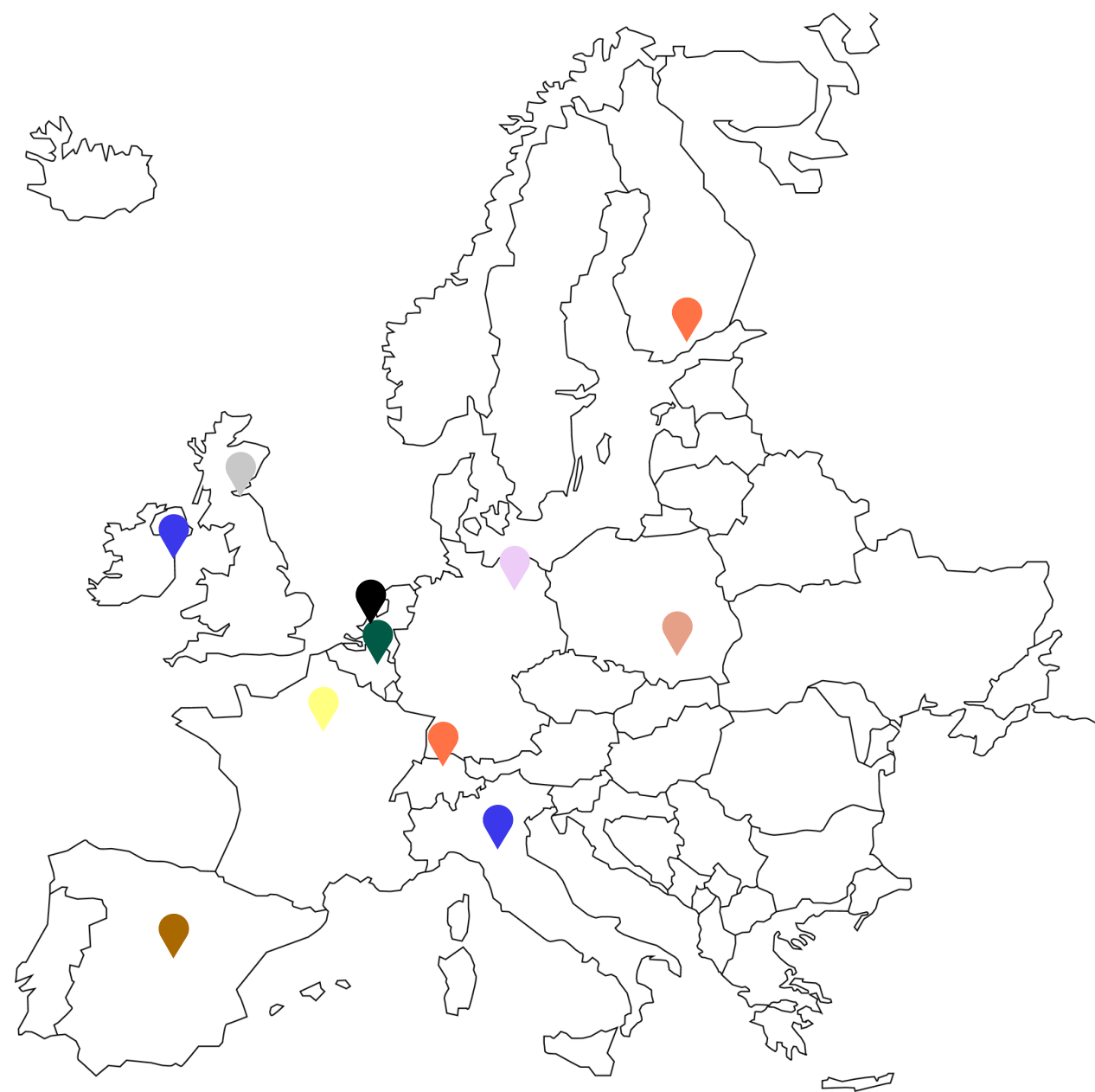
Delivered by eight different institutions, the Summer School offered its participants innovative teaching and learning formats such as a blended programme, interactive workshops and a case study in the shape of a hackathon to understand and learn how to apply the One Health approach. It brought together Master's students, doctoral researchers and researchers from across the alliance to address the challenges of One Health in a holistic and transnational way.



+ Lead University	KU Leuven
+ Partner Universities	All Una Europa universities
+ Open to	Master's students and doctoral researchers of Una Europa universities
+ Multilingual	English as working language
+ Innovative	Co-creating solutions for One Health problems in transdisciplinary teams, modular and blended approach with a set of online and on-site elements, addressing different levels of expertise, sustainable Summer School organisation
+ Interdisciplinary	Specialised courses in biology, medicine, economics, history, anthropology and sociology; open to students from all disciplines, multidisciplinary student groups
+ International	Jointly developed and delivered programme involving staff mobility from Una Europa partners
+ Structure	For Master students: blended programme with 50% online courses and one week of physical mobility (3 ECTS) For doctoral researchers: 3 days of physical mobility
+ Date	24 June - 2 August 2023
+ Learners enrolled	Over 80 Master and doctoral researchers
+ For more information	Website

One Health Summer School 2024

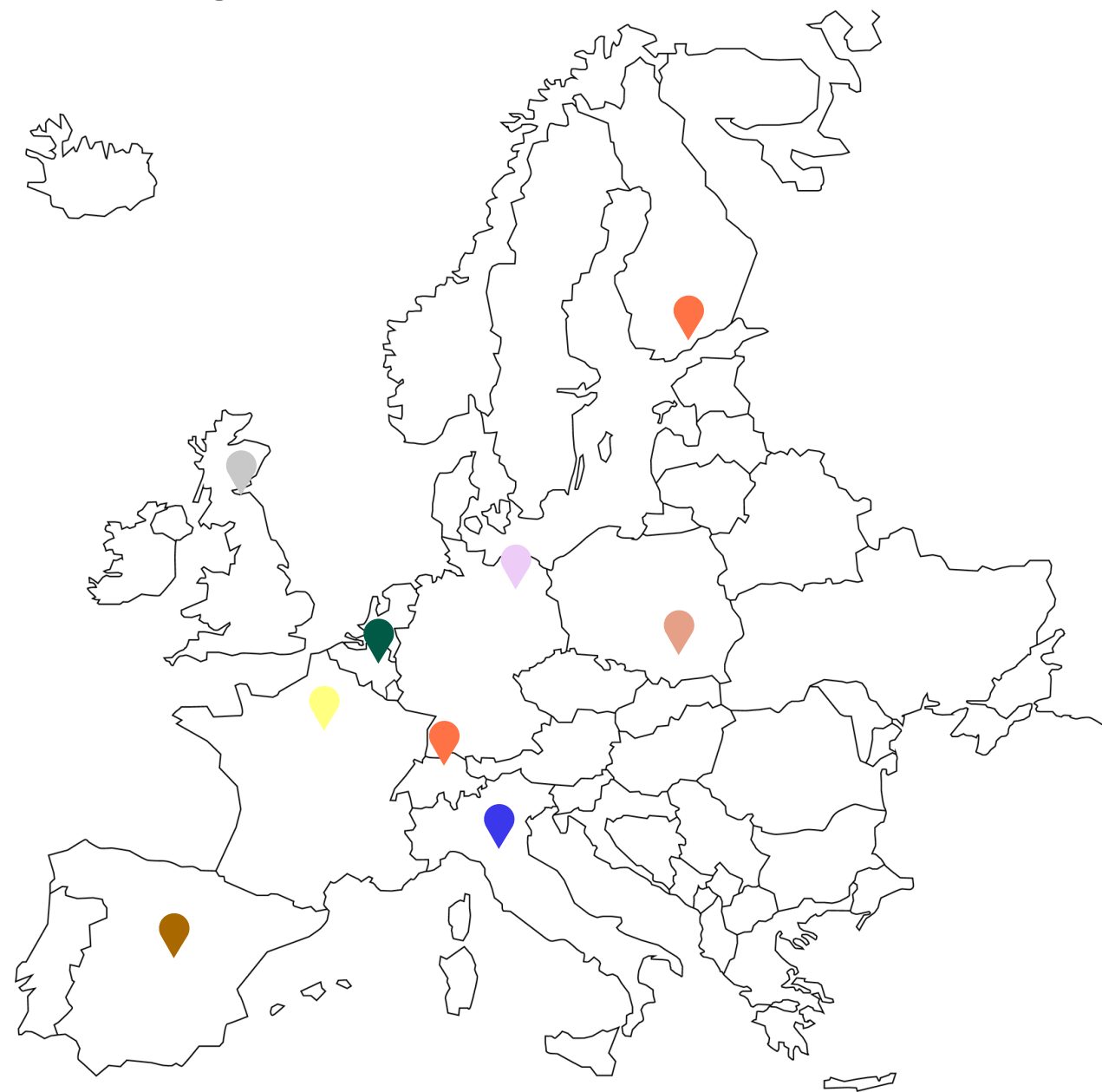
During the One Health Summer School 2024, participants were able to develop their multidisciplinary thinking and skills, learn how to plan and conduct multidisciplinary One Health research and projects, enhance their presentation and communication skills and build their professional international network within and beyond Una Europa's institutions.



+ Lead University	Helsingin yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet
+ Partner Universities	All Una Europa universities, National University of "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy" (Ukraine), University of Abomey-Calavi (Benin), University of Nairobi and Strathmore University (Kenya)
+ Open to	Doctoral researchers at partner universities
+ Multilingual	English as working language
+ Innovative	Blended programme, reflection and deep understanding on the concept of One Health in relation to one's own research, field excursions and practical research experiences
+ Interdisciplinary	Unprecedented integration of life and social sciences, classroom-based learning featuring interdisciplinary sessions led by both life scientists and social scientists, multidisciplinary student groups
+ International	Jointly developed and delivered programme involving staff mobility, partnership with Ukrainian, Beninese and Kenyan universities
+ Structure	One week of physical mobility, online module, 3 ECTS
+ Date	24-28 June 2024
+ Learners enrolled	42 doctoral researchers
+ For more information	Website

PhD workshop: Restoring Cultural Heritage - Critical Approaches

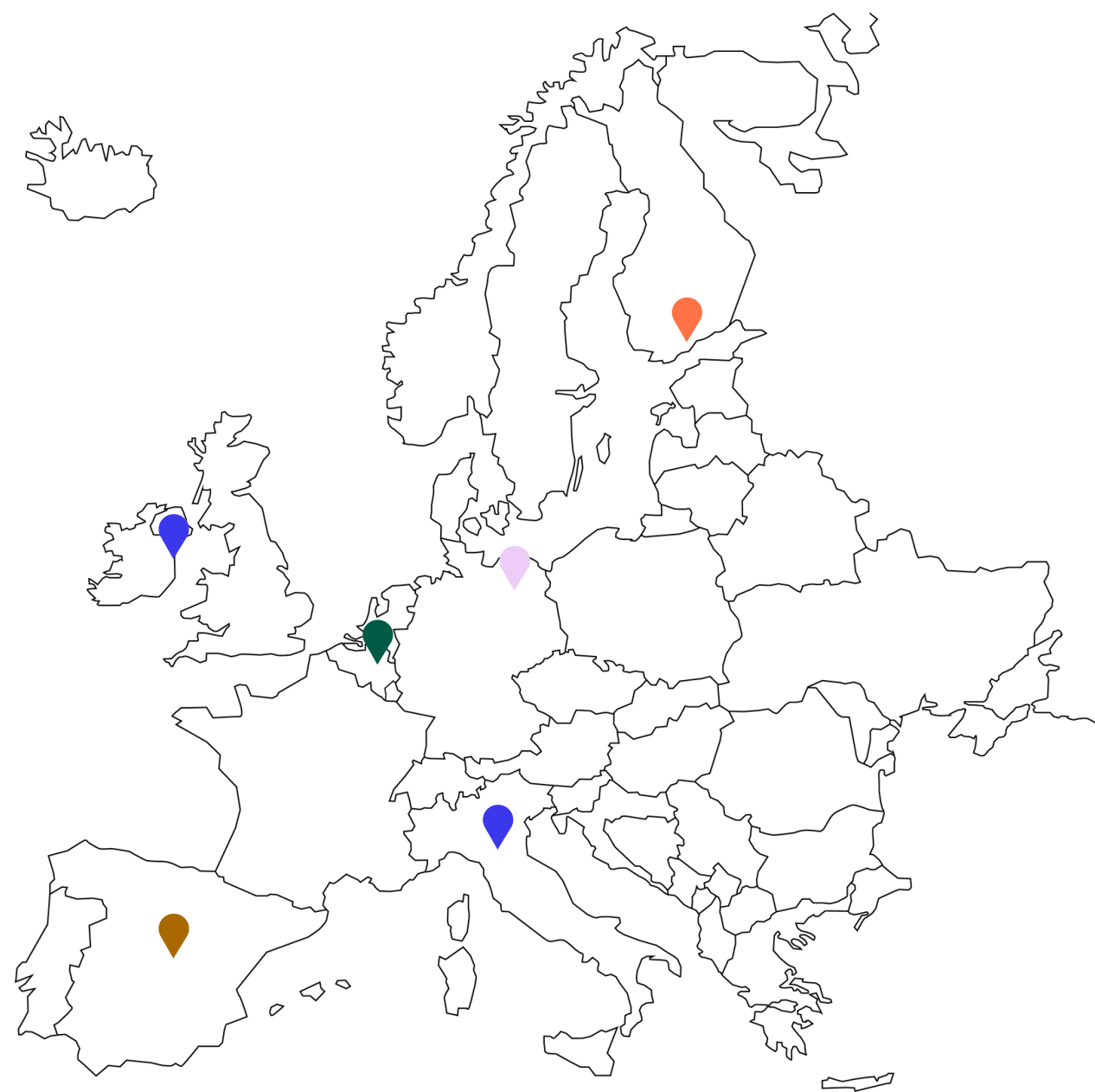
Adopting an inclusive approach to heritage, this Una Europa PhD workshop enabled the consolidation of an international and interdisciplinary community of young researchers in Cultural Heritage, beyond Una-Her-Doc cohorts. It offered a platform for academic discussions and exchange and contributed to doctoral researchers' education with insights from different schools of thought.



+ Lead University	Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
+ Partner Universities	Freie Universität Berlin, Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, University of Edinburgh, Helsingin yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie, KU Leuven, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Universität Zürich
+ Open to	Una-Her-Doc doctoral researchers and other doctoral researchers at Una Europa universities
+ Multilingual	English as working language
+ Innovative	Substantial virtual component, lectures, seminars, fieldwork, and meetings with cultural organisations, interactive format to facilitate communication and debates, programme designed with participants, based on research commonalities
+ Interdisciplinary	Contributions from all disciplines, with the aim of encouraging a cross-fertilisation of views on conservation and restoration and its implications for monuments and societies
+ International	Jointly developed programme, supervised by a joint scientific committee
+ Structure	Preparatory online sessions, one week of physical mobility, publication following the physical mobility, 4 ECTS
+ Date	23-29 June 2024
+ Learners enrolled	25 doctoral researchers
+ For more information	Website

Sustainability in Communication and Education Summer School

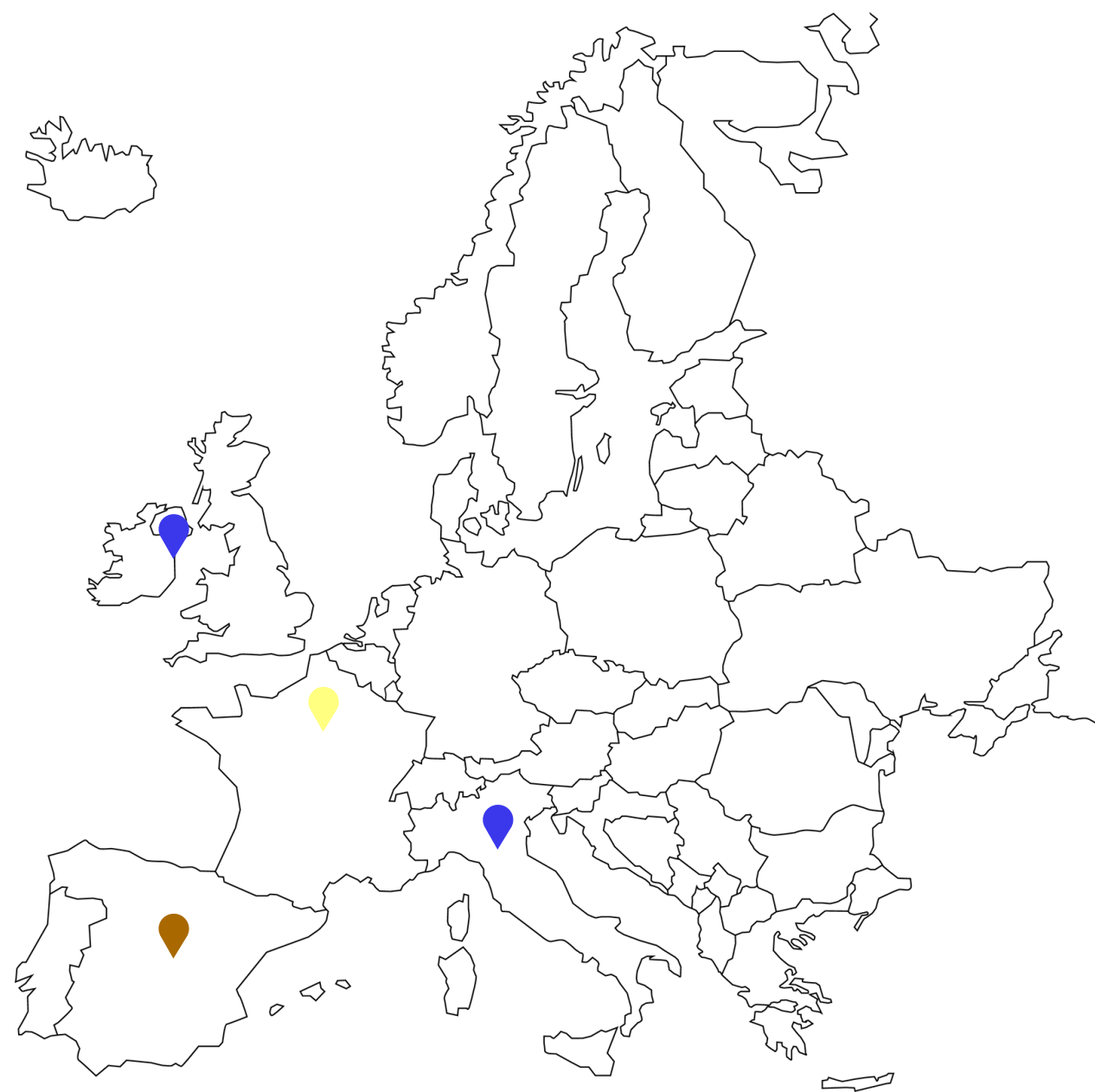
Through a combination of lectures, workshops and field trips to facilitate community-building, this Summer School equipped participants with a critical, theoretical framework to address the concept of sustainability and the development of strategies and capabilities related to sustainability education and communication.



+ Lead University	Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna
+ Partner Universities	Freie Universität Berlin, University College Dublin, Helsingin yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet, KU Leuven, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
+ Open to	Doctoral researchers at Una Europa universities
+ Multilingual	English as working language
+ Innovative	Blended programme including interactive teaching and learning opportunities, focus on sustainability education and sustainability communication, in order to transform and impact society as a whole
+ Interdisciplinary	Interdisciplinary approach to sustainability in communication and education, focus on the improvement of soft skills (citizen science, writing communication plans, successfully writing project proposals, etc.)
+ International	Jointly developed and delivered programme involving staff mobility
+ Structure	One online session, one week of physical mobility, 3 ECTS
+ Date	1-5 July 2024
+ Learners enrolled	30 doctoral researchers
+ For more information	Website

Artificial Intelligence and Creativity Summer School

Bringing together participants from 15 different nationalities and 11 different study fields, the summer school provided learners with insights from senior academics of the partner universities and leading figures from the business world, offering a unique framework for interdisciplinary exchanges on AI.



+ Lead University	Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna
+ Partner Universities	University College Dublin, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
+ Open to	Master's students and doctoral researchers at Una Europa universities, academics, creative professionals
+ Multilingual	English as working language
+ Innovative	Blended programme; participating students from computer science, engineering, arts, design, law or humanities who are eager to expand their knowledge of AI and its applications in creative domains, also intended for academics and creative professionals, who want to incorporate AI tools and techniques into their work and stay up-to-date with the latest developments in AI and creativity
+ Interdisciplinary	High-profile speakers with an interdisciplinary approach to AI covering computer science, arts and law, multidisciplinary student groups
+ International	Jointly developed and delivered programme involving staff mobility
+ Structure	Five online sessions, one week of physical mobility, 3 ECTS
+ Date	7-13 July 2024
+ Learners enrolled	60 participants
+ For more information	Website



Flexible learning opportunities

Making education flexible, accessible to all and adapted to the individual needs of the learners has been one of Una Europa priorities in terms of joint education. Una Europa has developed and successfully implemented different formats of micro-credentials: thanks to their modular approach and virtual components, they can be taken up by different types of audiences and contribute to educating a wide range of learners across Europe and beyond.

Una Europa strives to ensure a recognition of its flexible learning opportunities within its existing curricula, thus facilitating the upskilling and reskilling of learners.

Guidelines to implement joint MOOCs leading to micro-credentials are available on the [Una Europa website](#). Building on this experience, Una Europa is currently developing its framework for the implementation of joint micro-credentials.

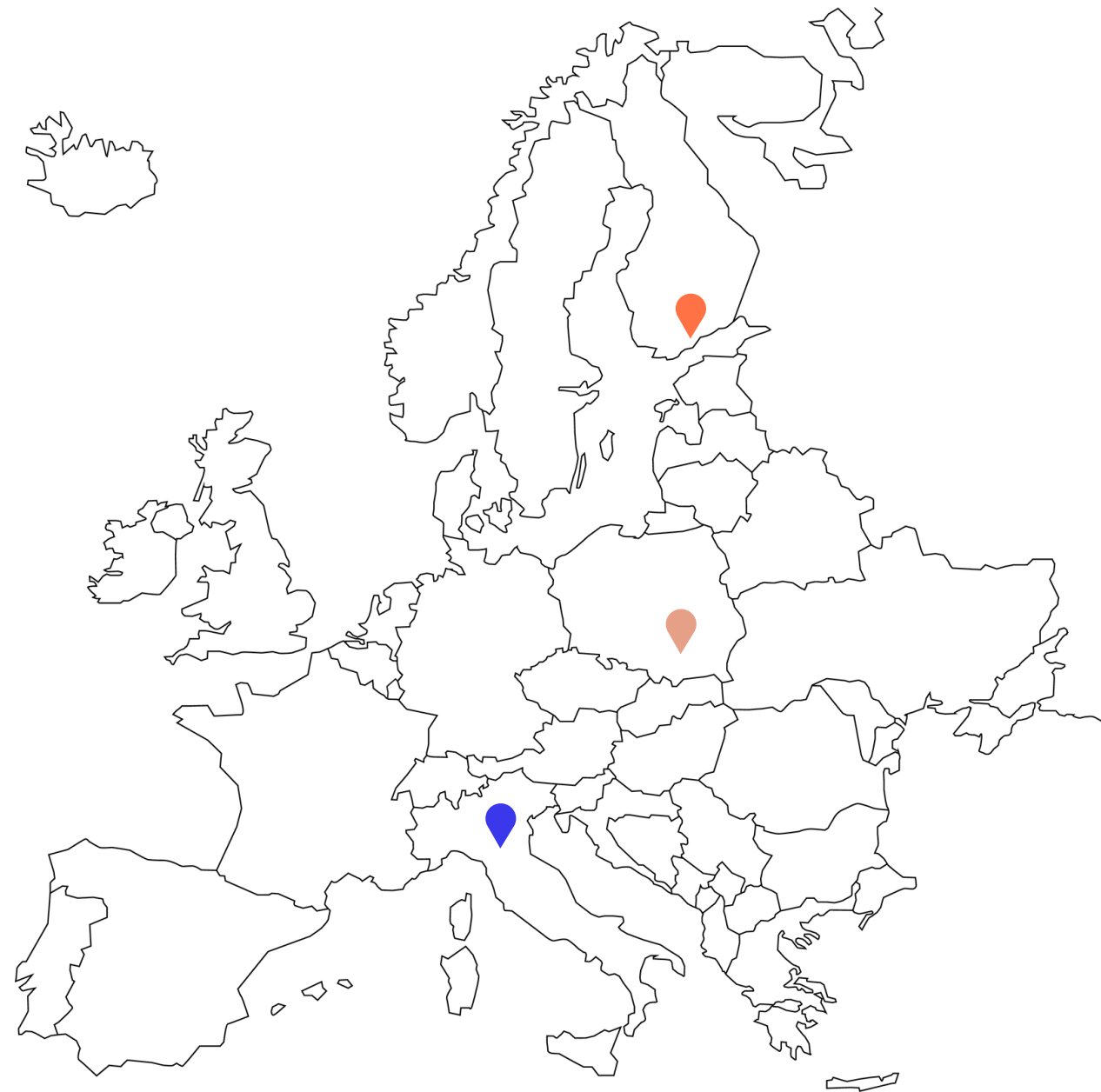
[A. Micro-credential in Sustainability](#)

[B. MOOC AI in Society](#)

[C. Certificate of European Studies](#)

Micro-credential in Sustainability

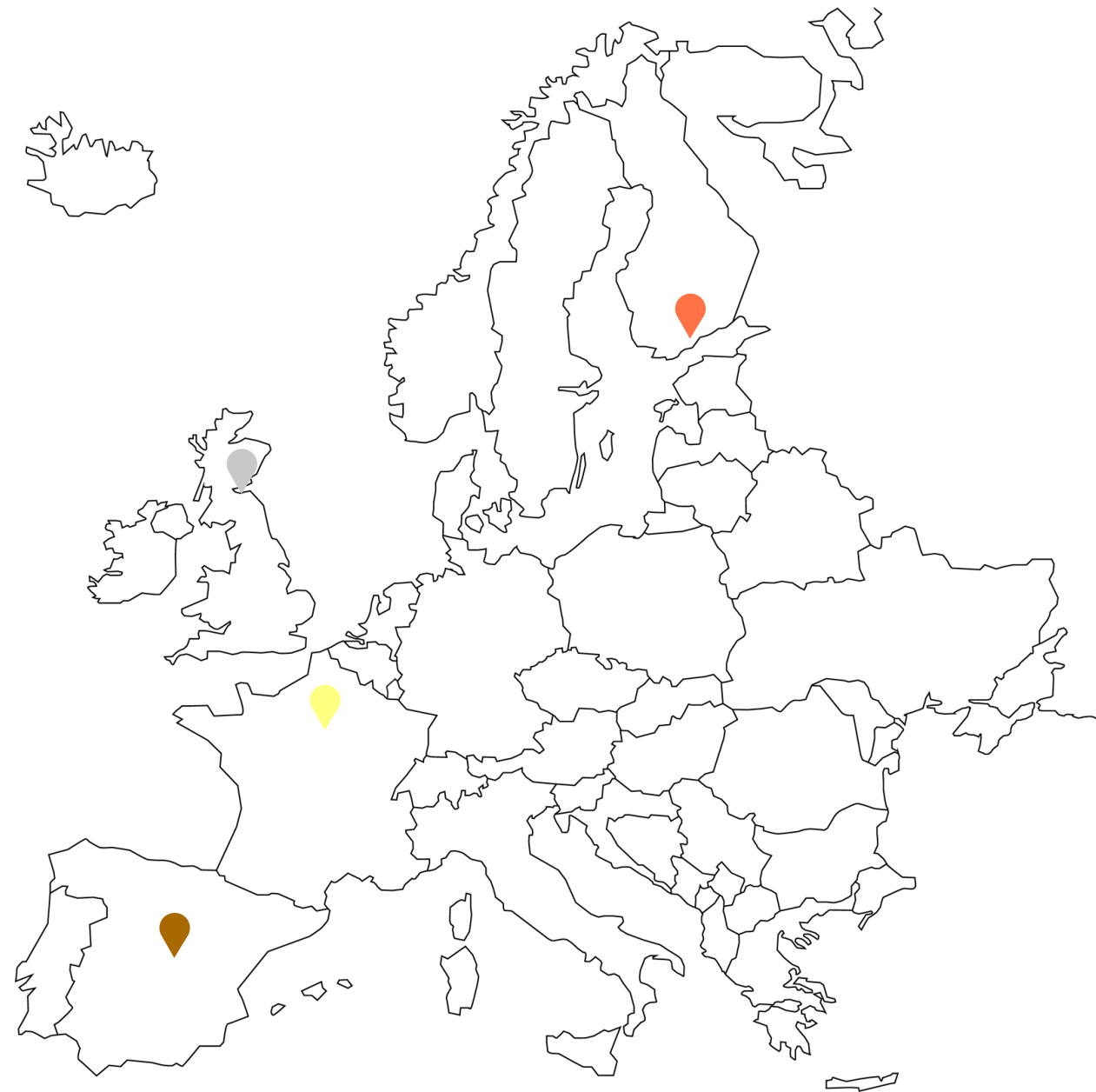
Thanks to its flexible format, the Micro-Credential in Sustainability allows learners to build a learning path adapted to their individual needs. It gives a holistic understanding of global sustainability challenges to a large audience. The Una Europa Virtual Exchanges for Sustainability project builds on the Micro-Credential and brings an additional interactive element to the Micro-Credential.



+ Lead University	Helsingin yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet
+ Partner Universities	Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie
+ Open to	Students and learners holding a Bachelor's degree
+ Multilingual	All courses in English
+ Innovative	Stackable MOOCs complemented by synchronous teaching in an online international environment, micro-credential recognised and integrated in different degree programmes at Una Europa universities, joint governance structure
+ Interdisciplinary	Three multidisciplinary pillars: environment, society and economy Critical thinking, SDGs, problem solving, holistic understanding of sustainability
+ International	International learning across the MOOCs offered by several Una Europa universities
+ Structure	Independent online study, up to 5 MOOCs, up to 10 ECTS
+ Starting date	October 2022
+ Learners enrolled	More than 1700 learners, 34 micro-credentials awarded (November 2024)
+ For more information	Website

MOOC AI in Society

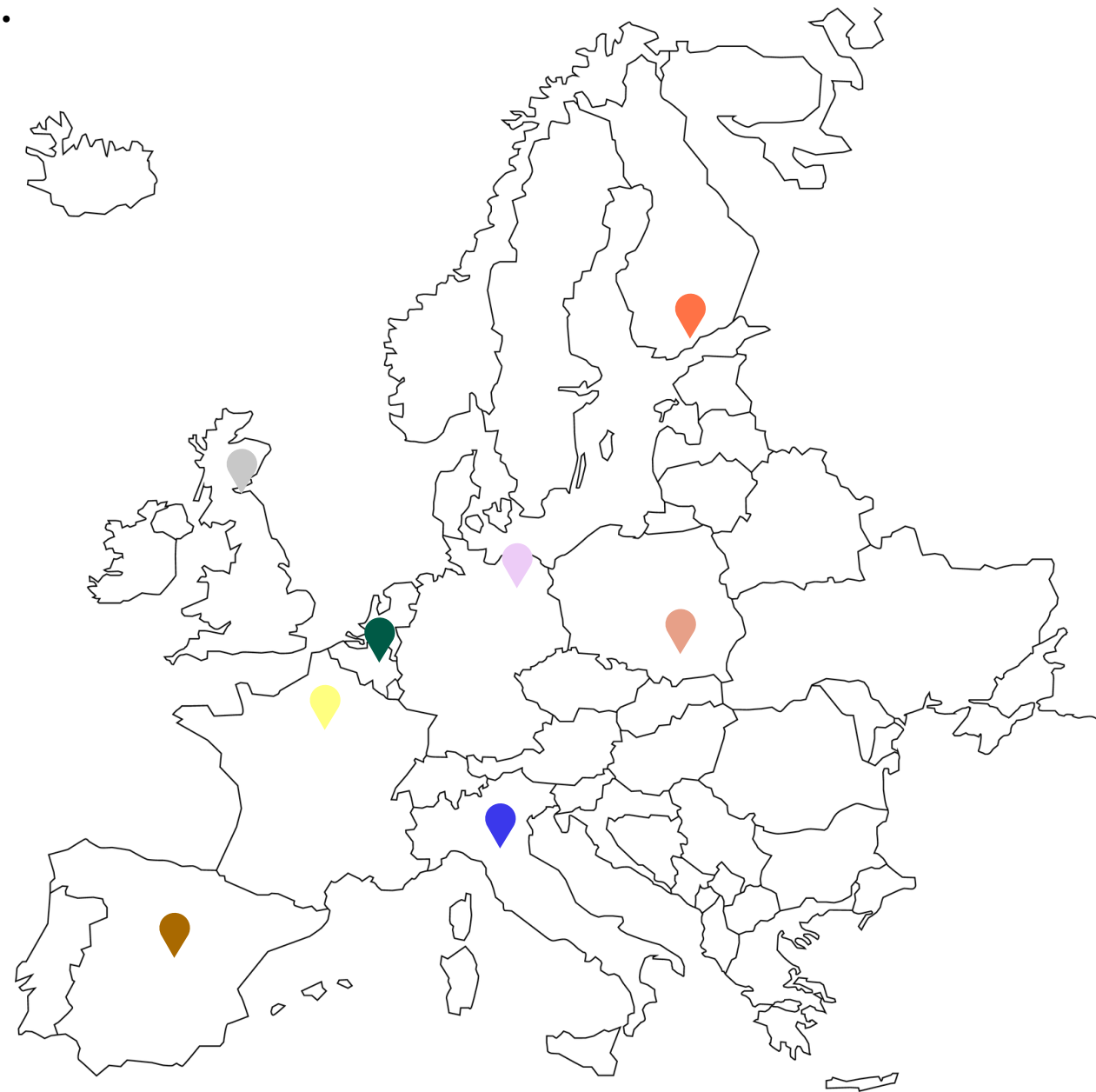
The alliance's co-created courses are opening up to the world with this entirely online and flexible format, enabling the expertise in the interdisciplinary field of AI to be disseminated beyond our universities and beyond our student community. The MOOC is integrated as an obligatory course in programmes of Helsingin yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet and at Universidad Complutense de Madrid.



+ Lead University	Helsingin yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet
+ Partner Universities	Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, University of Edinburgh
+ Open to	All, no previous knowledge required
+ Multilingual	All courses in English
+ Innovative	Modular set of course modules: free selection of topics, new modules added regularly
+ Interdisciplinary	Interdisciplinary approach to AI: ethics, social impact, health and disinformation The MOOC teaches how AI technology functions within its societal context: how AI changes society and social practices, how it is used in institutional settings, and what kind of societal level promises and challenges this technology poses
+ International	Jointly developed modules, open internationally
+ Structure	Independent online study, compulsory introduction module (1,5 ECTS) and three additional modules (0,5 ECTS each)
+ Starting date	June 2022
+ Learners enrolled	Open to an unlimited number of learners: 2500 learners started the MOOC, over 1000 completed it (November 2024)
+ For more information	Website

Certificate of European Studies

Joint interdisciplinary courses of the Joint Bachelor in European Studies (BAES) are made accessible to students of the BAES mobility partners. The Certificate of European Studies enables students to enrich their academic programme with an international and interdisciplinary perspective and an additional (virtual) mobility opportunity. The Certificate connects students from different degree programmes across the alliance and strengthens their sense of belonging together.



- + Lead University Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Freie Universität Berlin, University of Edinburgh, Helsingin Yliopisto/Helsingfors universitet
- + Partner Universities Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie, KU Leuven, Universidad Complutense de Madrid
- + Open to Bachelor students from different disciplines enrolled at Una Europa universities
- + Multilingual Courses in English, possibility of studying additional courses offered at the partner universities in local languages
- + Innovative Jointly developed courses virtually taught across the alliance, leading to a joint certificate
Recognition within the curricula at some Una Europa universities
- + Interdisciplinary Interdisciplinary approach to European Studies
- + International Virtual and physical mobility, work in international student groups
- + Structure Two obligatory joint courses (European Cultures and Societies and European Integration - 20 ECTS), optional additional courses (up to 40 ECTS) offered across the alliance
- + Starting date September 2023
- + Learners enrolled 80 students in total
- + For more information [Website](#)

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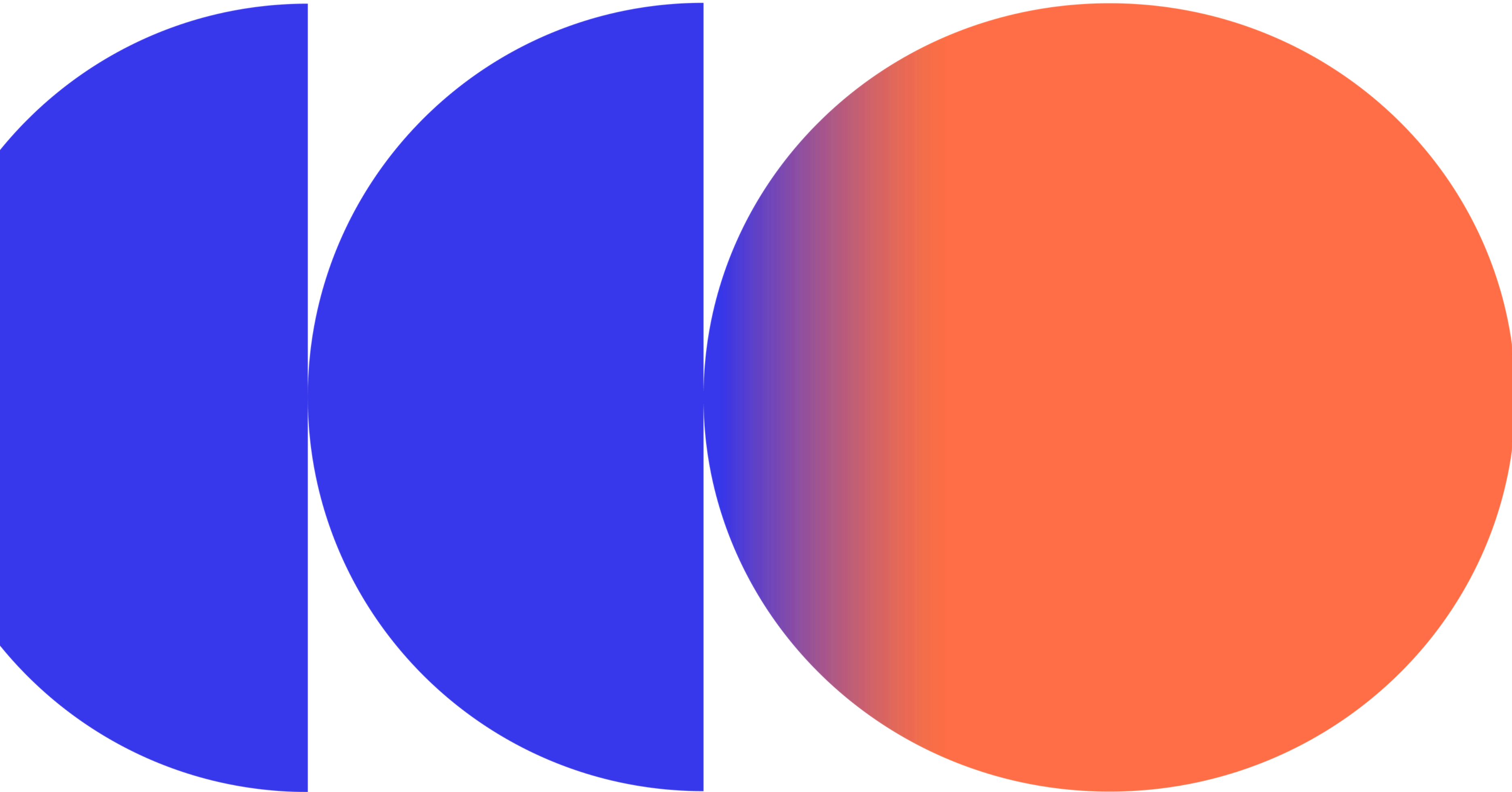
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