University freedoms and responsibilities: responding to the challenges of the future

XXXI Anniversary of the Magna Charta Universitatum
McMaster University
Hamilton, 16-17 October 2019

Programme

Wednesday 16 October 2019
08.30 – 17.30
David Braley Health Sciences Centre
100 Main Street West

08.30 – 09.30
Registration

09.30

Opening

Welcome address
David Farrar, Interim President, McMaster University

Report on the Magna Charta Observatory
David Lock, Secretary General of the Magna Charta Observatory

Introduction to the Conference
Sijbolt Noorda, President, Magna Charta Observatory

Keynote Address
Free Speech on Campus: A Way Forward
Sigal Ben-Porath, Professor, University of Pennsylvania

Keynote Address
Sustainable Cities and Communities
Jim Dunn, Professor, McMaster University

11.30; 14.00; 16.00
Workshop sessions
There will be three parallel sessions, each lasting 90 minutes, during which, for each time slot, there will be a choice from three parallel workshops.
Workshops – Session 1

Workshop 1.1
**Students and Sustainability**
Facilitator: Quinn Runkle, Director of Education, Students Organising for Sustainability (SOS-UK), United Kingdom

Workshop 1.2
**Bologna process beyond 2020: fundamental values of the EHEA Report and future development**
Facilitator: Agneta Bladh, Vice-President, Magna Charta Observatory

Workshop 1.3
**SAR) Erosion of academic freedom globally: opportunities and challenges for Canadian universities**
Facilitators: Nandini Ramanujam, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, McGill University, Canada

Workshops – Session 2

Workshop 2.1
**Sustainable development**
Facilitator: Jim Dunn, Professor, McMaster University

Workshop 2.2
**The MCO’s Living Values project**
Facilitator: David Lock, Secretary General of the Magna Charta Observatory

Workshop 2.3
**The role of representative student associations, current challenges and strategies in response**
Facilitator: Thierry Luescher, Research Director Higher Education, Human Sciences Research Council, Cape Town

Workshops – Session 3

Workshop 3.1
**IAU) Value-based leadership for engaging with the SDGs**
Facilitator: Pam Fredman, President, International University Association, IAU

Workshop 3.2
**MCU 2020: progress and prospects**
Facilitator: Sijbolt Noorda, President, Magna Charta Observatory

Workshop 3.3
**Equity and access**
Facilitators: Graeme Atherton, Director, National Education Opportunities Network NEON
Mary Turpan-Wenno, Executive Director, ECHO, Center for Diversity Policy, The Netherlands
18.15 – 21.30
**Cocktail & Gala dinner**
Convocation Hall in University Hall
McMaster University Campus
1280 Main Street West
Dress code: business suit

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**Thursday 17 October 2019**
10.00 – 12.30

*Ceremony of the Signature of the Magna Charta Universitatum*

**Welcome address**
David Farrar, Interim President, McMaster University

**Keynote Address**

*Signature of the Magna Charta Universitatum*

*Rite of passage* to the University of Bologna, that will host the event in 2020
Launch of the 32nd Anniversary celebration

**Concluding remarks**
Francesco Ubertini, Rector, University of Bologna, Italy

13.00 – 14.30
**Closing Lunch**

The Conference will be held in English