Who are we?

The Compostela Group of Universities (CGU) is a non-profit international association of Higher Education institutions. An initiative of the University of Santiago de Compostela (back in 1994), the Group is today one of the largest European and sub-Saharan universities.

Our objectives

• The CGU aims to foster cooperation and promote opportunities to join this kind of initiatives, the CGU is currently involved in:

  - LLP Training Courses on the framework of LLP training activities such as the EMMA Project, the CGU organised two workshops in 2013.
  - The Compostela Group has selected three main priority areas for present and future projects: the Mediterranean area, Latin America and Central Asia.

Get involved!

Would you like to participate in EC funded projects? Are you looking for partners to join your project proposals? Do you need experts in a specific area to participate in an initiative by your institution? The CGU’s wide community may satisfy your needs.

Join us!

Benefits for members

• Participation in international activities
• Cooperation on EC projects
• Training and professional development
• Worldwide recognition and visibility
• Access to a diverse and wide database of universities
• Links with other networks, enterprises and official institutions
• Exchange of good practices
• Support and promotion of members’ activities
• Special discounts on events and services provided by collaborating organisations
• Opportunities to become an active member within a dynamic community.

Who can join the CGU?

Any type of institution can become a member of the CGU. We offer three forms of memberships:

• Full membership for HE institutions.
• Associate membership for enterprises, publishing houses and other commercial organisations.
• Mutual membership for collaborative entities, institutions, organisations, associations, scientific bodies, foundations, etc. related to or interested in HE.

How to become a member

Institutions wishing to join the network should address their application, signed by the Rector or the senior representative of the institution, to the CGU President. Applications will be then assessed by the CGU Executive Committee and, if the assessment is positive, they will be presented to the General Council for ratification.

Further information at www.gcompostela.org

International Activities

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Activities and Services

International Prize Grupo Compostela-Xunta de Galicia

In collaboration with the regional government of Galicia, the CGU annually awards this prize to individuals or institutions that have played a significant role in the development or dissemination of European values.

Intercultural STELLA

An innovative international exchange programme for non-academic staff. STELLA aims to enhance cross-cultural work placement experience through mobility.

Workshops and seminars

Training courses and conferences focused on current and practical issues are being developed by the CGU staff or jointly with collaborating organisations. In 2013, the CGU organised two workshops within the framework of the EMMA Project (Embracing the Modernisation Agenda) and another one (with UNICA and the Santander Group) on collaboration between European and sub-Saharan universities.

Publications

There are three series: European Issues (devoted to topics of current interest in Europe), the Compostela Prize (related to winners of this award) and The Way to Santiago (dealing with subjects related to pilgrimages and the European cultural heritage).

Projects

The Compostela Group of Universities has participated as coordinator or partner in a number of project funded by the European Commission. Constantly looking for opportunities to join this kind of initiatives, the CGU is currently involved in:

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Apart from the members, the CGU actively collaborates with other networks and entities related to HE such as UNICA, WACE, IIE, ACEN, EUNICE, BSA, Santander Group.