

WEBINAR
FRIDAY 19 JUNE 2026, 12:30 TO 13:30 CEST
**IMPACTFUL INTERNATIONALISATION
THROUGH VIRTUAL EXCHANGE/COIL**
IN EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES ALLIANCES



Keynote **Simone Hackett**
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Objective

- What are Virtual Exchange and Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL)? Is there a difference between these two concepts?
- How can VE/COIL contribute to the objectives of European Universities Alliances in terms of mobility ('physical, virtual or blended') and internationalisation?
- Evidence-based approaches for assessing the impact of VE/COIL.
- Maximising impact: pedagogical aspects

Keynote

Simone Hackett is a widely recognised educational leader and researcher shaping the future of higher education through evidence-based approaches and strategic internationalisation.

Simone is a Senior Lecturer in Sociology and Education at The Hague University of Applied Sciences (THUAS), specialising in Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL), Virtual Exchange and the internationalisation of higher education. She has extensive experience designing, implementing and researching internationalisation practices, with a focus on embedding intercultural and inclusive learning in curricula.

Within the EAIE, Simone currently chairs the Research on Internationalisation Committee and has served on both the General Council (2022–2024) and the Conference Programme Committee (2016–2022).

Agenda

1. Keynote: Simone Hackett: 'Impactful Internationalisation through Virtual Exchange/COIL'
2. Testimonials from two alliances:
 - Judith Goris: 'ENLIGHT's approach to Online learning in an International Context: Virtual Mobility, Virtual Exchange & Blended Mobility'
 - Hannah Zoller, Circle U. Alliance
 - Q&A and discussion

Target Group

This webinar is organized by the FOREU4ALL Topical Groups 'Mobility' and 'Upscaling Internationalisation and Innovation in Education' and is meant for people working on mobility and internationalisation within European Universities Alliances.

How to join

Online (Zoom), 19 June 2026, 12:30 to 13:30 CEST

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