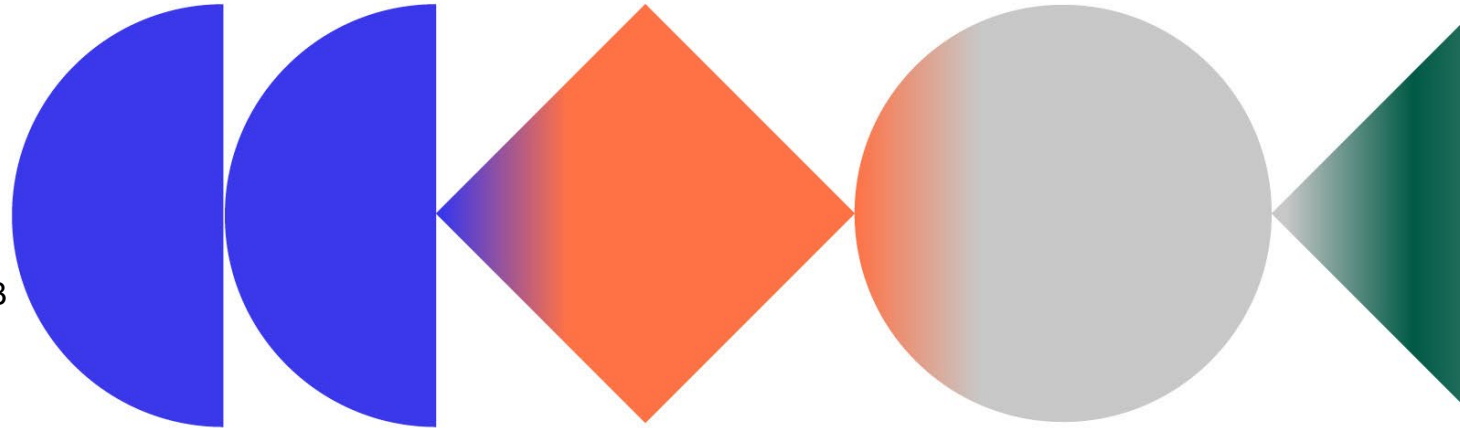


*Una Europa is about joining forces to solve global challenges.*



# Una.Futura Self-Steering Committee Sustainability – focus MIRI

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# About the MIRI-format



## Objectives and main goal

### Networking through international exchange:

Creating opportunities for **master's students** to become involved in sustainability research and to network internationally.

Establishing new links between academics in **sustainability-related research teams**.

### Research collaboration:

Future **joint research projects** are more likely to follow on such early networking.

Learning activity in the international research arena that might influence **future career** paths.

Main Goal of this internship program:

Creating an additional educational option for Una students on Master level.

# About the MIRI-format



## Main stakeholders and role of Una Europa

### Una Europa serves through MIRI as

- platform for master's students interested in sustainability-related research
- Visibility of sustainability-related research of working groups from different disciplines (more or less sustainability-focused)

#### Official supervisor



Working at the master's student's home university, supporting this research exchange.

#### Travelling MA-student



Collecting data for his/her thesis during his/her internship abroad.

#### Onsite supervisor



Working at hosting university, supporting the internship of the master's student onsite

### Please note:

Masters students stay enrolled at their home university, receiving their degree from their home university.

# About the MIRI-format



## Funding scheme: Erasmus+ “traineeship”

- For MIRI the **Erasmus + funding scheme „traineeship“** can be used
- Erasmus+ supports voluntary and compulsory internships of **between 2 and 12 months**
  - Internship related to the studies and intended professional activity
- Each student can receive Erasmus+ funding for **up to 12 months per study phase** (BA / MA / PhD) with the following conditions:
  - Enrollment at your university during the entire internship period
  - Knowledge of the national or working language
  - No simultaneous funding from Erasmus and other EU funding programs

### Within Una Europa

- strong administrative support structures exists.
- These can help students and researchers to make such exchange as smooth and simple as possible.

# About the MIRI-format



## Case study

*"I'm very glad that I decided to do this internship to collect data for my Master thesis and that I found supervisors who were willing to get involved. I would do it again and again. However, there are a few things you should bear in mind and hurdles you might encounter."*

PhD-Student at UZH (former Master student at FUB)

### The case:

MA-Student from FUB enters Working Group Prof. Dr. Thomas Wicker at UZH for Master thesis with second supervisor Daniel Schubert (FUB)

### The topic:

*„Exploring Biodiversity and Local Adaptation in Swiss Lichens through Metagenomics Analyses“*

### The experience:

- Intercultural exchange, getting to know a new country, (working) culture,...
- Chance to get PhD-positions in international research fields/at Una Europa partner universities