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EHEA Ministerial Conference and Global Policy Forum

Iași and Chișinău, 25–29 May 2027

Tentative agenda for discussion at the CI BFUG meeting in Dublin

Tuesday 25 May, Iași: Day 0

Time	Item	Note
All day	Arrivals: pick-up at Iași airport, registration at the hotels indicated in the PIN	Early arrivals from 24 May
All Day (optional)	Full-day cultural tour of the Iași region	The social programme for early arrivals, arriving in time for the Welcome Reception
10:00–16:00	Side events (list to be provided)	Held at the public higher education institutions in Iași
17:00–19:00	Guided tour of Iași	
19:30–22:00	Welcome reception and dinner	Iași City Centre

Wednesday 26 May, Iași

Venue: Agora Events Centre

Morning

Time	Session	Content and format
08:00–09:00	BFUG meeting (closed)	Senate Room, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University
09:00–10:00	Transfer and security at Agora	Transfer from hotels and the BFUG meeting venue
10:00–10:50	**1. Opening of the Ministerial Conference and Global Policy Forum**	President or Prime Minister of Romania; President or Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova; European Commission; TBD;
10:50–11:20	**Keynote 1: Speaker TBC**	Freedom of higher education, research and innovation Keynote + reactions from ministers
11:20–12:35	**2. State of the EHEA**	Presentation of the BPIR 2027. Reply from ministers Interventions from EHEA consultative members
12:35 – 12:45	Family photos	EHEA heads of delegation + GPF heads of delegation
12:45–14:00	Lunch	Bilateral meeting rooms open in parallel with Lunch

Afternoon and evening

Time	Session	Content and format
14:00–14:50	**3. Plenary roundtable on AI**	Keynote 2 on AI and higher education. Panel with EHEA ministers, non-EHEA ministers, stakeholders (IAU, representative etc) Interventions in plenary
14:50–15:10	Coffee break (20')	

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15:10–16:25	**4. Parallel sessions**, four rooms	Session 1: Mobility and partnerships across regions Session 2: European University Alliances Session 3: Higher education and research Session 4: Lifelong learning
16:25–16:50	**5. Rapporteurs in plenary**	
16:50–18:05	**6a. Ministers' roundtable on the Communiqué**	EHEA ministers and heads of delegation Speaking order to be assigned based on priorities informed by BFUG delegations in three/four clusters + open interventions
18:05 – 18:15	Coffee break (10')	
18:15 – 18:40	**6b. Informal dialogue of EHEA ministers** (closed session)	Sessions for EHEA ministers only The other delegates are transferred to the National Theatre
18:15–19:00	Transfers to the National Theatre	
19:00–20:00	Cultural event	"Vasile Alecsandri" National Theatre, Iași
20:00–20:15	Transfer to the Palace of Culture	
20:15–22:00	Official Gala Dinner	Palace of Culture, Iași

Thursday 27 May, Chișinău

Venue: Chișinău Arena

Morning

Time	Session	Content and format
08:00	Departure from Iași	"Bologna crossing borders": dedicated coaches and facilitated border crossing
10:30–11:00	Arrival and coffee	Registration desk for participants who join in Chișinău only
11:00–11:35	**8. Keynote 3: speaker and title tbc**	Welcome by the Moldova and Romania ministers as chairs; Keynote 3 Reactions from ministers
11:35–12:35	**9. Fundamental values**	Fundamental Values working group: results of the first technical monitoring framework Debate on fundamental values (ministers, stakeholders, EUI) Solidarity with Ukraine: Intervention from Ukrainian minister
12:35–13:45	Lunch	Bilateral meeting rooms open

Afternoon and evening

Time	Session	Content and format
13:45–15:00	**10. Parallel sessions**	Session 1: Social Dimension Session 2: Student-centred learning and teaching Session 3: Quality assurance Session 4: Recognition without borders (
15:00–15:25	**11.Rapporteurs in plenary**	
15:25–16:00	**12. GPF Statement Plenary**	GPF Statement presentation Reaction from GPF delegations
16:00–16:20	Coffee break (20')	

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16:20–17:10	**13. Adoption, including presentation of the new tools**	Drafting Committee chair presents the final text Presentation of the new Bologna tools and plans: • revised ESG and European Approach for the QA of Joint Programmes; • revised ECTS Users' Guide; • Action Plan on Internationalisation and Mobility. • GPF partners on global use. Adoption of the Iași–Chișinău Communiqué and annexes by EHEA members Adoption of the GPF Statement
17:10–17:30	**14. Looking ahead**	Host of the 2030 Ministerial Conference and GPF Launch of the permanent EHEA Secretariat in Romania
17:30–17:50	**15. Official closing**	
17:50–18:20	Press conference (30')	Host ministers, European Commission, co-chairs
17:50 – 19:15	Free time	Return and check in at the hotels
19:15–19:30	Transfer to the Palace of the Republic	
19:30–22:30	Official Gala dinner and cultural programme	Palace of the Republic, Chișinău

Friday 28 and Saturday 29 May: departure

Date	Programme
28 May	Guided tours at Moldovan wineries; departure of participants from late afternoon
29 May	Late departures