



# THE NIGHT OF IDEAS *More ?*

2023

## The ERUA's Night of Ideas - *MORE* Call for proposals 2023

Online event

4 topics blending up to 4 or 5 talks and artistic performances.

Language : English / other languages with subtitles

**Date:** December 5, 2023 from 5 to 10 PM (Germany, Denmark, Italia, Poland and France) / from 6 to 11 PM (Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania) / from 4 to 9 PM (Canarias)

**Target :** Researchers, non-academic staff, artists, Master and PhD students from the five universities of the European Reform University Alliance

### Context

**European Reform University Alliance (ERUA)** led by the University of Paris 8 (France), with four partners - Roskilde University (Denmark), the University of Konstanz (Germany), the University of the Aegean (Greece) and the New Bulgarian University (Bulgaria) - is based on a common ambition to develop a new kind of cooperation that re-imagines the role of European universities in a global context. ERUA partners share a vision of universities as creative spaces and a commitment to experimental approaches on education and research. Five new partners would join very soon the adventure : SWPS University (Poland), University of Macerata (Italia), European University of Viadrina (Germany), University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Spain), Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania) and they are invited to participate in this call.

The **Night of Ideas** is a nocturnal marathon of debates, programs and performances launched by the French Institute all around the world. Celebrating the circulation of ideas across cultures, disciplines and generations, "The Night of Ideas" is an invitation to discover new ways of thinking, to listen to those who have theorized new ideas in specific fields, to exchange and debate over various issues.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the ERUA's Night of Ideas will be focused on the following theme "**MORE**".

### Topics for the call:

For this 3rd edition of ERUA's Night of Ideas, we would like to invite you to reflect on the following four topics, with a play on the double meaning of "plus" in the French language:

#### 1. *Plus d'une langue !*

*Cédons à l'appel de Babel pour renverser les hégémonies linguistiques grâce à la traduction sous toutes ses formes !*

## **More than one language or no more of one language!**

Let's give in to Babelism! Let's overthrow the linguistic hegemonies through translation in all its forms!

### **2. Plus d'air! On étouffe !**

*Soyons sobres et commençons à réduire la consommation excessive dans un monde aux ressources limitées. Comment repenser nos modes de vie, nos outils, nos pratiques de recherche et d'enseignement dans un monde où les transitions écologiques nous invitent à éviter l'apocalypse à venir...*

#### **More oxygen / No more oxygen! We can't breathe!**

Let's sober up and begin to curb excessive consumption in a world with limited resources. How can we rethink our lifestyles, our tools, our research and teaching practices in a world where ecological transitions invite us to avoid the coming apocalypse?

### **3. Plus d'humanité !**

*Comment penser l'anthropocène, le post-, le trans- et le non-humain ? L'Anthropocène est à la fois une menace et une opportunité pour réfléchir, prendre conscience et agir collectivement. Redéfinissons l'humanité !*

#### **More humanity (humanness) / No more humanity!**

How can we think through the Anthropocene, together with the post-, trans-, and the non-human? The Anthropocene is both a threat and an opportunity for reflection, awareness and collective action. Let's redefine humanity!

### **4. Plus de monde !**

*Penser la fin du monde pour envisager d'autres modalités d'être au monde et promouvoir la pluralité citoyenne, en nombre. Faites-les entrer !*

#### **More people! / More than one world or no more of one world!**

Let's consider the end of the world and imagine other ways of *being in the world* and promote the plurality of citizens. *Bring them in!*

## **Format of contributions:**

All forms of contributions are welcome (talks, presentation, artistic performances, screenings, concerts...) opening exchanges and the most unexpected ideas are invited to join the party, offering original interpretation of the theme of the year.

- Talks /performance/ presentation : maximum of 15 minutes.

- Artistic performance/screenings (\*): between 3 and max 10 minutes.

*(\*) If needed, the selected projects can benefit from a financial support under condition, to insure their production (small material). Please include a quote in your proposal*

## **Submission process**

Applications should be submitted in English, by **October 8 2023**: <https://framaforms.org/night-of-ideas-2023-call-for-proposals-1677598374>

Applications should include: a short biography (max 150 words) and a note on the proposed talk/performance on a specific theme (max 300 words).

More information about the European Reform University Alliance: <https://erua-eui.eu>

More information about *La Nuit des Idées*: <https://www.lanuitdesidees.com/en/about/>