

Proposal for a plenary session on Thursday, 28 October / 14.00 – 14.45 (CET) – ONLINE

Title: „FOOD“

Subtitle: „FOOD-NUTRITION-HEALTH: Farm to Fork Strategies“

Introduction:

We are all working for a sustainable, healthy and low-cost food system. Universities play a crucial role in improving innovation processes on different levels: regionally, nationally, and internationally. The Farm to Fork Strategy is at the centre of the European Green Deal aiming to make food system economically and environmentally fair and healthy. Putting our food systems on a sustainable path brings new opportunities for operators in the food value chain from the raw materials till the products with re-using all of the by-products. New technologies and scientific discoveries, combined with increasing public awareness and demand for sustainable food, will benefit for all participants in the market.

Multi-actor approaches are needed and often lead to new organisational forms or collaborative formats to enhance innovation at different levels. Universities have a central role in making connections and co-creating engagement across trans- and interdisciplinary partners. CARPE, the European consortium on applied research and professional education is a strategic alliance of a number of European universities of Applied sciences. The partners aim to encourage cooperation in European research programmes and jointly develop educational programmes. After joining CARPE in 2017 as a full member, the University of Debrecen (UD) set up new goals in the field of FOOD. Working together with our partner universities, UD tries to conduct research and provide education that is demand-driven and contributes to innovation in industry.

Aim of the session is:

- To provide input on the concept of Farm to Fork Strategy
- To show good practices from different CARPE partners
- To discuss how CARPE partners can improve innovation: establish new collaboration among new and old partners: expanding and presenting possibilities

Agenda

Welcome and introduction to the session (Moderator: Szilvia Veres from University of Debrecen)

- Presentation 1. “Farm to Fork innovation possibilities at UD” (Attila Kiss, Director for Research and Innovation /University of Debrecen)
- Presentation 2. Molecular approaches (Endre Máthé, Head of the Institute Nutrition Sciences, UD)
- Good practice examples from CARPE partners and discussion