



**LUNDS**  
UNIVERSITET

Forskningservice

ANNOUNCEMENT

1

STUD 2022/1025

2022-02-28

## **LERU Doctoral Summer School 2022**

**Date:** 3 - 8 July 2022

**Theme:** *The University of the Future. Rethinking the role of universities worldwide in the face of the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century*”.

**Venue:** Utrecht University

**Application deadline:** March 22, 2022

### *Theme*

The theme of the LERU Doctoral Summer School 3-8 July 2022 is *The University of the Future. Rethinking the role of universities worldwide in the face of the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century*”.

In the preliminary programme LERU Summer School will introduce the notion of ‘futuring’ the role universities may play in shaping the future – and what the university of the future might be like. Furthermore we will look at the University as an ‘agent of change’: how does the University, as an institution but also as a site of knowledge production, affect the necessary transitions of the 21st century. Can universities help create a fair sustainability transition? Or are they implicated in (and help maintain) existing inequalities and issues? How could universities play a part in a fair and just transition? To do so, what needs to change?

Prior to the course, on 29 June in the afternoon, there will be an online training session on how to write a manifest. Course participants are required to attend. The participants will receive a reading list in early June. Participants are expected to read the compulsory part of the list (estimated at 100 to 200 pages).

In the LERU Doctoral Summer School 2022 participants each day of the Summer School will have a lectures and discussions, expert speaker, group discussions about the issues raised.

*Applicants shall meet the following requirements:*

- Must be registered as a doctoral candidate at Lund University
- Should be approximately half way or more in their doctoral education
- Must be keenly motivated to work on the topic of the LERU Summer School as set out in the program and description
- Must be able to participate in all activities in the program
- Must be fluent in written and spoken English

Doctoral candidates from all academic disciplines with an interest in this topic are invited to apply.

### *Selection Criteria and Conditions*

The selection criteria are the quality of the statement of purpose, arguments for participation, relevance to the theme of the conference and overall judgement of application, grades and CV.

The maximum number of participants in the summer school is 46. Lund University conducts a selection procedure and nominates two, and if relevant, more, ranked candidates to LERU. The first-ranked candidate from each university is unquestionably accepted. Second places (and any if further places, based on [availability](#)) are decided by the host University of the Doctoral Summer School and LERU Doctoral Studies Community steering group after consideration of all applications, aiming to achieve a balanced representation with regard to disciplines, gender and university affiliation with due consideration of rank order and merit.

We ask that participants are well advanced in their doctoral project and are strongly motivated in rethinking the role of universities globally. Candidates must also be available for the entire duration of the Doctoral Summer School and must be prepared to take part in all activities.

*The Application, in English, shall include:*

1. Statement of purpose with motivation of 1 A4 page. It should explain the candidate's interest for the topic of the summer school, a description of what makes the candidate a suitable representative for Lund University and the contribution the candidate can make to the conference. It should also include the theme and title of the candidate's own research project.
2. Letter of recommendation from Head of Department
3. CV
4. Excerpt from Ladok showing admission date and accomplishments

**Application deadline is March 22, 2022.** Applications with reference number STUD 2022/1025 are to be sent by e-mail to [registrator@lu.se](mailto:registrator@lu.se).

### *Costs*

The participation fee is €600 per participant. This includes course materials, University accommodation for six nights with check-in on Saturday 2 July and Departure afternoon Friday 8 July 2022, meals and participation in the social program.

Lund University will cover the participation cost € 600. Lund University will furthermore contribute with 3000 SEK for travel costs for each participant. Participants will need to arrange their own travel and travel insurance. Booking of travel should be done through the university procured agency. Participants are expected to cover the cost of any additional activity undertaken.

### *For Information & Contact:*

Lund University  
Cecilia Gagné, Senior Officer, Lund University Research Services Office  
Cecilia.Gagne@fs.lu.se

About League of European Research Universities LERU

<https://www.leru.org/>

About LERU members – 23 European leading research-intensive universities

<https://www.leru.org/members>

Cecilia Gagné  
Research Services Office