



**ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING  
JOINT WITH  
STAFF TRAINING  
4<sup>TH</sup> – 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**



THE ECTS MA EXECUTIVE BOARD AND UNIVERSITY OF TARTU,  
FACULTY OF MEDICINE, ESTONIA HAVE THE PLEASURE TO INVITE YOU TO THE  
ECTS MA ANNUAL MEETING 2023 IN TARTU



#### UNIVERSITY OF TARTU

The University of Tartu is Estonia's largest and oldest university, founded in 1632. We are Estonia's national university and the centre of the country's academic spirit. We are a strong research university, promoting education and research worldwide. More than 17,000 people work and study at the university.

The Faculty of Medicine has been the springboard for Estonian doctors and medical researchers since the founding of the alma mater - 1632. We are committed to improving the health of Estonians and beyond through studies, trainings for medical staff, science and social responsibility. Education in our six institutes prepares outstanding leaders in the field of health care and medicine. Our alumni make up 99% of Estonian doctors, dentists and pharmacists and the majority of renowned exercise and sport scientists, physiotherapists and sports coaches.

Our research groups are engaged in research on nervous and mental diseases, heart diseases, cancer and various infectious diseases. Special attention is given to research in translational medicine where research groups have gathered to centres of excellence for translational medicine. University of Tartu medical researchers are acknowledged leaders in their field – thanks to them the University of Tartu is among the 1% of the world's most influential research institutions in the field of clinical medicine and molecular biology and genetics.

#### ECTS MA EXECUTIVE BOARD:

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#### ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

FACULTY OF MEDICINE, TARTU:

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**RENE KÄRNER**, INTERNATIONAL OFFICER

## PROGRAMME

### THURSDAY Evening (Tartu) 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023

14:00 **ECTS MA Board meeting for the members of the Board and University of Tartu**

18:00 – 19:00 **Registration**  
University of Tartu main building, [University of Tartu Art Museum](#), Ülikooli 18

19:00 – 20:30 **Welcome Addresses and standing Welcome Reception**

- Welcome address by Dean/Rector
- Welcome address by ECTS-MA-President *Juan Argüelles*
- Welcome address by
- Short presentation of the Host institution

**ECTS MA Meet and Greet:** make yourself known to your colleagues

### FRIDAY Morning (Tartu) 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

08:30 – 09:00 **Registration**  
Venue: Venue: [Biomedicum, Ravila 19](#)

09:00 – 09:15 **Introduction of the participant institutions** by President *Juan Argüelles*, University of Oviedo

#### **INTERNATIONALISATION IN MEDICINE - going a step further**

09:15 – 9:50 **University Alliances and potential effect on daily business**  
general presentation and discussion

09:50 – 10:30 **Erasmus+ international dimension**

10:30 – 11:00 **Coffee Break** Schmidt Centre [\(Biomedicum, Ravila 19\)](#)

11:00 – 12:30 **BEST PRACTICES, EXAMPLES OF STUDENT AND STAFF EXCHANGE**

11:00 – 11:35 **Experience of the University of Tartu with exchange programmes**

11:35 – 11:50 **Student's experience (1 incoming or 1 outgoing student from/to Tartu)**

11:50 – 12:20 **How to organise an Erasmus+ staff week?**

12:20 – 12:30 **Experience from a staff week participant**

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch** Schmidt Centre [\(Biomedicum, Ravila 19\)](#)

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13:30 - 14:30 **Clearing House**  
SPEED DATING: Meet current and potential partners to discuss student exchange  
- collecting the file of partners

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### FRIDAY Afternoon (Tartu) 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

#### 14:30 – 16:30 ECTS-MA SHORT SESSIONS ON INTERNATIONALISATION

14:30 – 15:15 **WORKSHOP 1: Welcome services to the exchange students** by Sara Albrici + Marina Stark

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16:00 – 16:30 Final discussion of the Workshop results

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16:30 – 17:00 **Is the role of academic coordinators still needed?** by Juan Argüelles and Tomáš Marš  
- bearing in mind the EWP

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19:00 – 21:00 **Gala Dinner (costs covered by the ECTS MA)**  
at Venue: [Restaurant Hõlm, Ülikooli 14](#)

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### SATURDAY (Tartu) 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023

09:00 – 11:30 **UNCERTAINTIES IN MEDICAL EDUCATION – best practices**  
[Biomedicum, Ravila 19](#)

09:00 – 10:00 **Impact of contemporary global crisis on medical universities (Ukraine)**

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10:00 – 10:45 **Experience and challenges from the pandemics**

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10:45 – 11:15 **Coffee Break** Schmidt Centre [\(Biomedicum, Ravila 19\)](#)

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11:15 – 13:15 **ECTS MA General Assembly**  
- **What do you expect from ECTS MA?**

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13:15 – 14:00 **Lunch** Schmidt Centre [\(Biomedicum, Ravila 19\)](#)

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14:00 – 17:00 **Social Programme (costs covered by the ECTS MA)**  
**Guided tour in [Valgesoo bog](#) (2 km hike)**

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*Bus leaves from Biomedicum at 14 pm. Please prepare for any possible weather conditions, wear comfortable clothes and supportive footwear. Temperature in May is usually around 15°C and it can rain slightly.*

19:00

**Final ECTS MA Board meeting for the members of the Board, University of Tartu and Medical University of Sofia as the future host**

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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### Arriving from Tallinn to Tartu

Express buses pick up passengers from Tallinn Airport on their way to Tartu. The airport bus station has a self-service ticket dispenser. The machine accepts card payments, but it is advisable to buy your ticket in advance as Tallinn-Tartu buses are often full. You can buy your ticket [here](#).

### Arriving from Riga to Tartu

You can also easily reach Tartu from [Riga Airport](#) (245 km from Tartu). [LuxExpress buses](#) operate from Riga airport to Tartu.

### Accommodation in Tartu

You can find all of the hotels in Tartu from [Visit Tartu website](#).

University of Tartu has reserved rooms in three different hotels for you with more affordable prices. **To confirm the reservation you will have to contact the hotel by calling or writing them and giving them this reservation code: ECTS MA AGM 2023.** You will have to confirm the reservation by April. Bookings made from hotel websites or booking.com will not have a discount.

#### V-Spa hotel, in city centre

Booking: +372 677 6677, [info@vspahotel.ee](mailto:info@vspahotel.ee)

More information: <https://vspahotel.ee/en/>

Price: from 75 EUR/per night

#### Hotel Sophia, near Biomedicum

Booking: +372 638 0850, [sophia@tartuhotels.ee](mailto:sophia@tartuhotels.ee)

More information: [sophia.tartuhotels.ee/en/](https://sophia.tartuhotels.ee/en/)

Price range: from 62 EUR/per night

#### Hotel Tartu, next to the bus station

+372 731 4300, [sales@tartuhotell.ee](mailto:sales@tartuhotell.ee)

more information: <https://www.tartuhotell.ee/en/welcome/>

Price: from 50 EUR/per night

### Transportation in Tartu

#### Moving around on foot

There is a saying that it's as if there is more time in Tartu – this is because the distances here are short and the connecting roads and pavements are in good condition. It's a 5-minute walk along the shore path of Emajõgi River from the bus station to the Town Hall Square in Old Town. From the city centre Biomedicum is a 35-minute walk away.

#### Moving around with bikes

The best way to move around the city is to rent a smart bike. You can choose between a regular bike or an electric one. The city is full of bike docs to take and park the vehicle easily. For prices and instructions see the website [ratas.tartu.ee](https://ratas.tartu.ee).

### **Moving around with electric scooters**

You can also rent an electric scooter for a very low price to get to your destination quickly. You just need your phone to unlock the scooter and you are ready to go! Read all about this service on the [Bolt website](#).

### **Moving around by buses**

You can very easily use public transport to get to your destinations. If you have the tapping option on your card or phone, you can buy a ticket with just one swipe. All of the information about public buses in Tartu can be found on the website [tartu.ee](http://tartu.ee).

### **Moving around by taxi**

There are several taxi services in Tartu, but the easiest, quickest and cheapest is to use the same Bolt app which unlocks the electrical scooters. Learn about the fastest way to order a taxi on the [Bolt website](#).

### **Moving around by car**

If you prefer to drive around yourself but have no way of bringing your own car, the City Bee is the perfect option for you. You need your phone and driver's licence and you are ready to go! To see how to rent a car in Tartu, please see the [CityBee website](#).

## **Places to visit**

[Town Hall Square in Tartu](#)

['The Kissing Students' sculpture and fountain](#)

[Emajõe Riviera promenade](#)

[Estonian National Museum](#)

[The University of Tartu Museum](#)

[Tartu Cathedral](#)

[Tartu Von Bock House](#)

[Aparaaditehas Creative City](#)

[AHHAA Science Centre](#)

**[Klick here](#) to open Google maps with all of the important locations.**