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## swissuniversities new representative of UAS4EUROPE

The networking platform UAS4EUROPE, which is the voice of European universities of applied sciences (UAS) in the field of applied research and innovation, will be represented from 1 June 2017 until 31 May 2018 by swissuniversities. swissuniversities takes over from the European Association of Institutions in Higher Education (EURASHE), who ran the platform since the launch of UAS4EUROPE on 31 May 2016. Luciana Vaccaro, rector of the University of Applied Sciences Western Switzerland (HES-SO), will be the representative on behalf of swissuniversities. swissuniversities is one of the founding members of the networking platform. For its term as representative, swissuniversities set two clear priorities:

1. Increase the visibility of UAS4EUROPE in Brussels, at the national and institutional level.
2. Contribute to shaping the successor of Horizon 2020, namely the ninth European Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (FP9).

UAS4EUROPE is a joint initiative from EURASHE, UASnet, swissuniversities, Hochschule Bayern e.V. (supported by Bavarian Research Alliance) and the Austrian FHK.

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