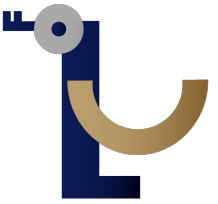




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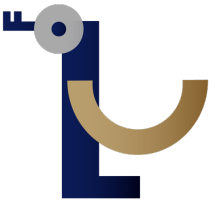


The New UZH Teaching Fund (ULF) – a Key Measure for the Implementation of the Strategic Initiative “Future of Education at UZH”

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Background: Challenges for the Higher Education System

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**transformative & engaged:
shaping the future of
society**



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**accessible & transparent:
disclosing actions and
results**



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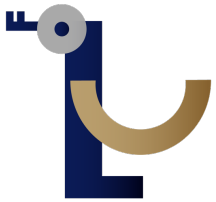
**openminded and
transdisciplinary:
eliminating boundaries**



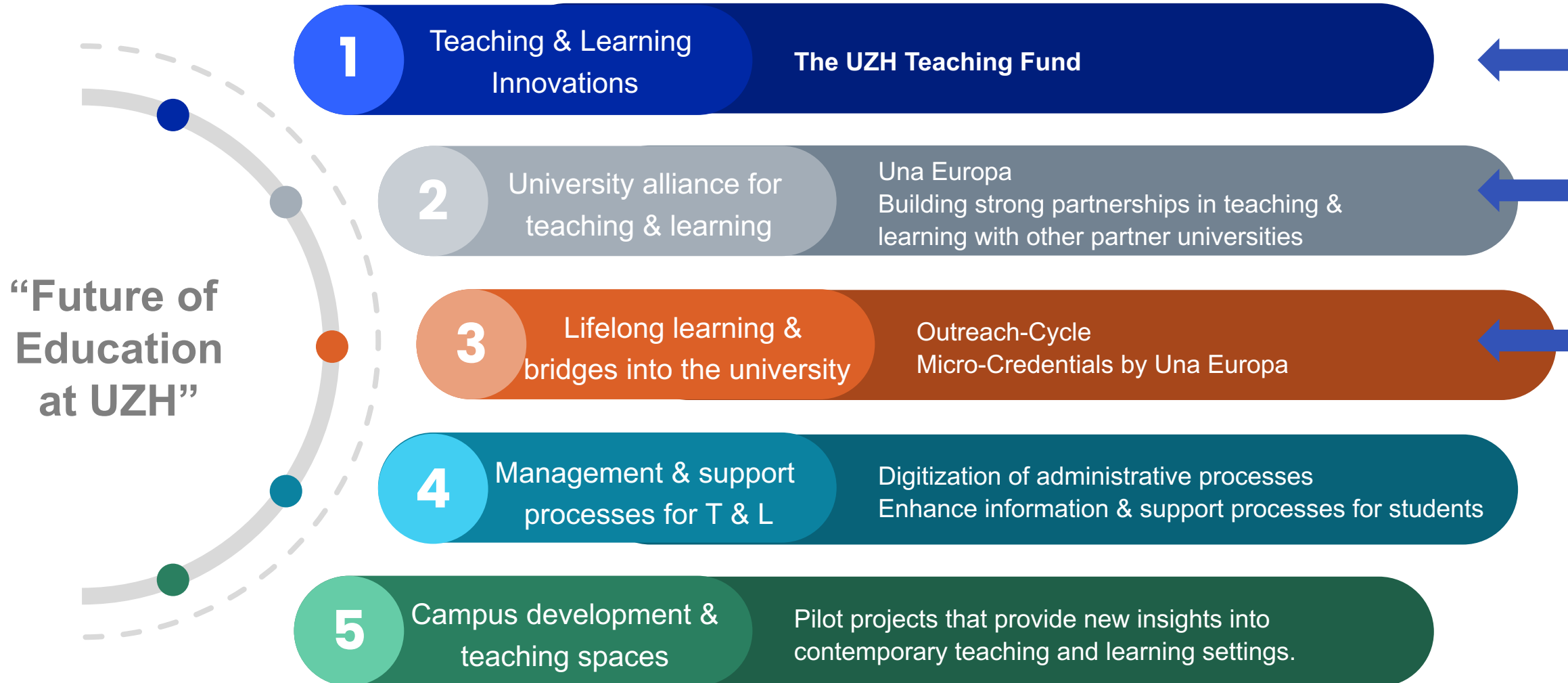
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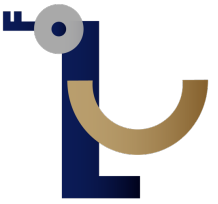
**connective and
transnational:
joining forces**



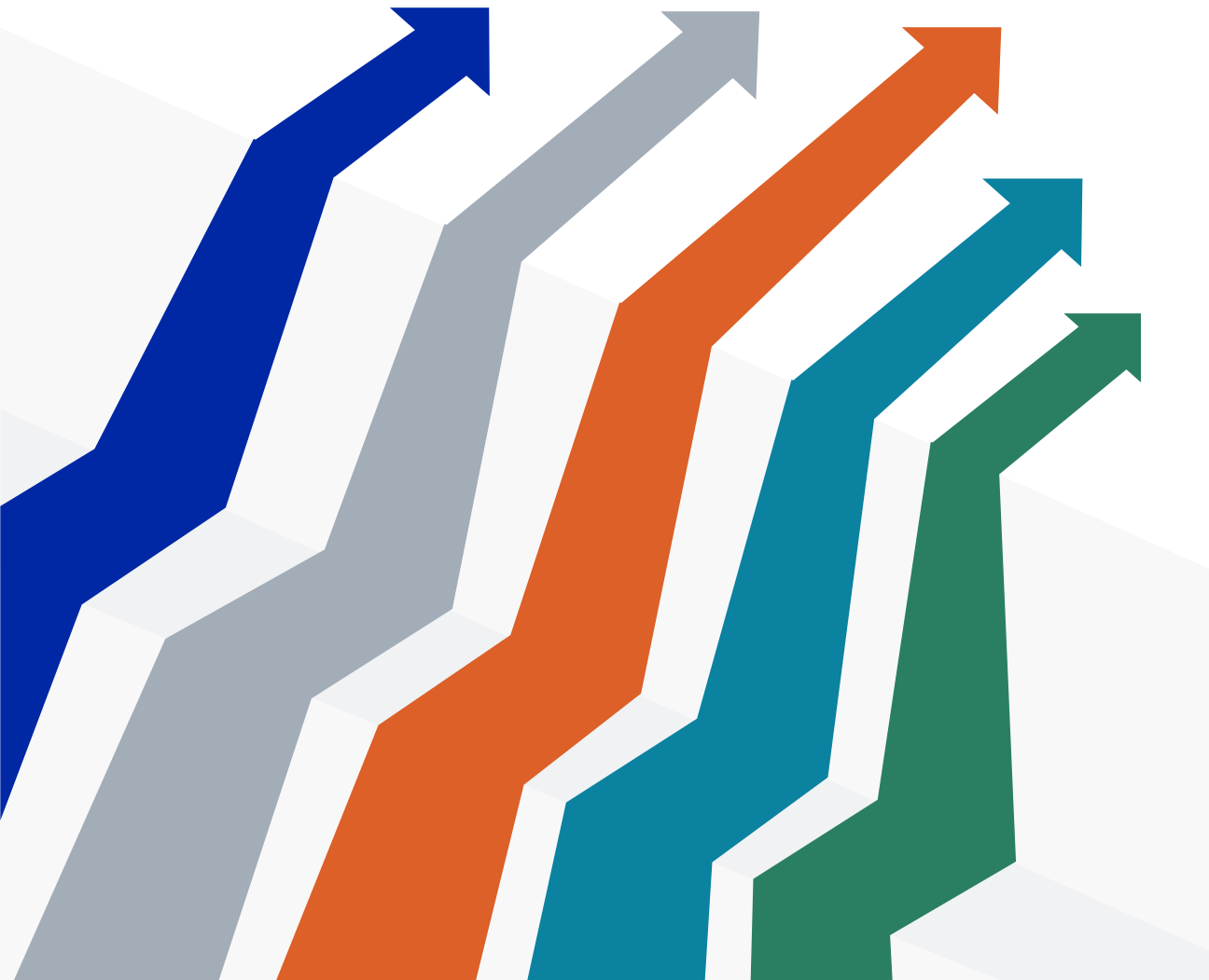


The Initiative “Future of Education at UZH”





UZH-Curriculum: Main Thrusts



The curricula are research-based and in line with learning objectives



The study programs actively make use of the opportunities offered by digital transformation for individualized knowledge and competence acquisition



Student engagement is actively encouraged

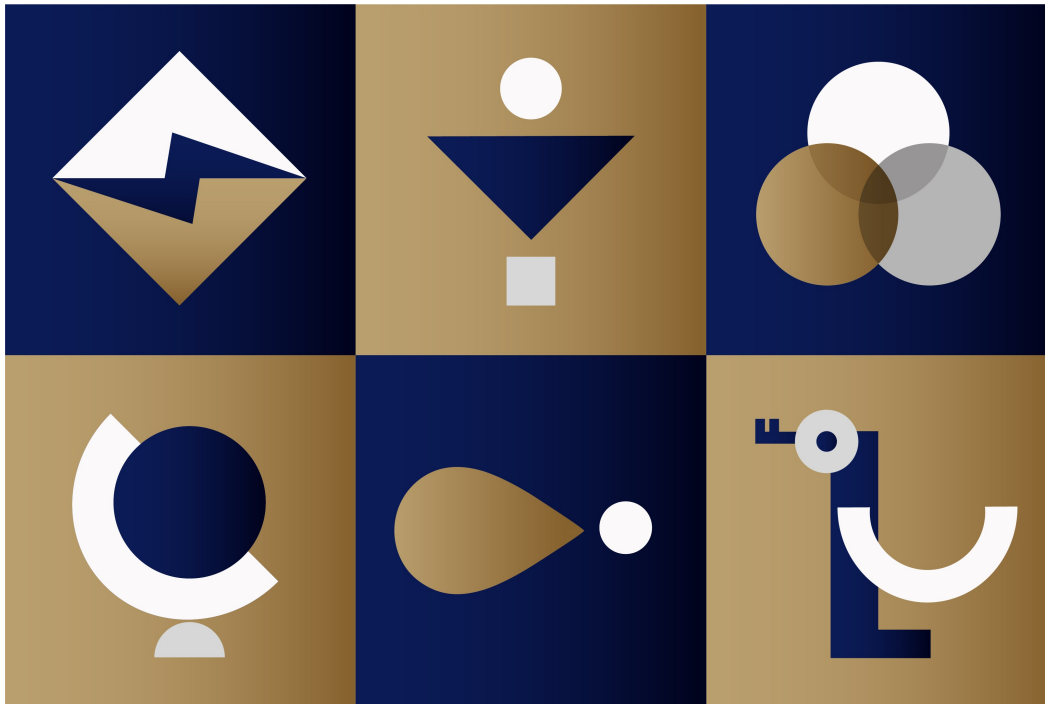


Students have the opportunity to integrate interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary courses into their studies

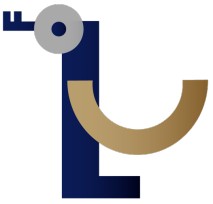


Students are given the opportunity to gain diverse internationalization experiences

The UZH Teaching Fund as a Key Measure to Promote the Initiative «Future of Education at UZH»



- Five funding lines allow for addressing the different thrusts of the UZH curriculum
- New funding lines provide resources for the (further) development of study programs
- All funded projects are supported by a team of experts from the educational development unit, including didactical, legal as well as administrative advice
- All projects are supported in their dissemination strategy to make innovative ideas in teaching and learning visible and transferable within and beyond the UZH
- Volume of the fund has been tripled compared to previous Teaching Fund.



open_innovation

Goals

Promote disruptive and experimental innovation on the course level

Eligibility

All UZH instructors

Output

10-15 projects p/a

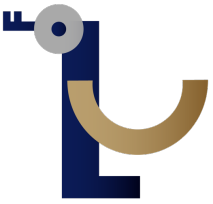
Award criteria

Innovation
Effectiveness
Sustainability
Quality of design
Student involvement

Examples

- Crowd water app
- Religion in video games
- „pimpf“ – how pediatrics works in the middle of practice





program_innovation

Goals

(further) development of (flagship) study programs
support (didactical) consolidation phase of big structural reforms

Eligibility

Study program directors

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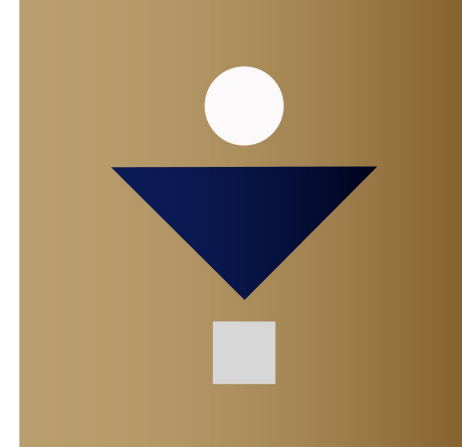
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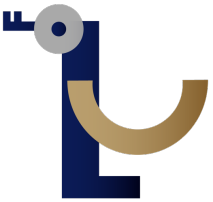
Award criteria

- Innovation
- Effectiveness
- Sustainability
- Quality of design
- Student involvement
- Fit with UZH curriculum
- international visibility of study program in relevant communities
- Attractive to students with high engagement levels

Examples

- Develop and introduce a new study program in biodiversity
- Enhance the integration of methods training in the political science curriculum





transdisciplinary_innovation

Goals

Strategic development of the portfolio of the School for Transdisciplinary Studies (STS) (course and study program level)

Eligibility

Instructors as well as designated study program directors

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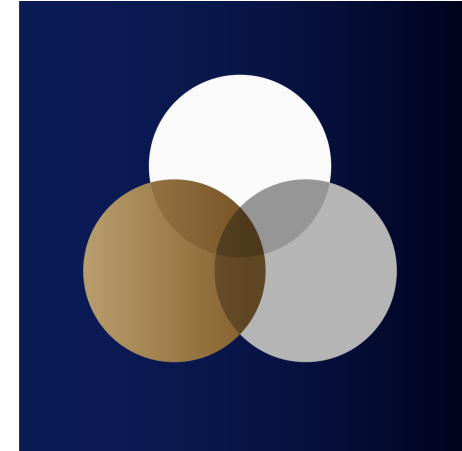
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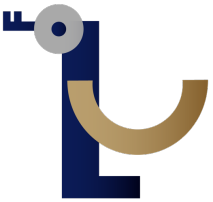
Award criteria

- Innovation
- Effectiveness
- Sustainability
- Quality of design
- Student involvement
- Fit with STS-quality criteria
- Strong focus on inter-/trans-disciplinarity and its reflection
- Attractive to students with high engagement levels

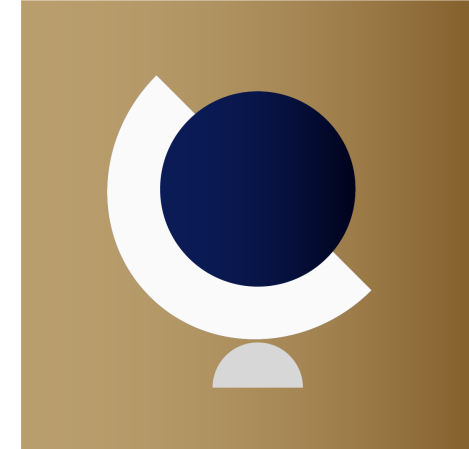
Examples

- Introductory week to sustainable development





global_innovation



Goals

Participate and develop teaching activities within UNA Europa
Embed options for international experiences in curricula
Promote international co-creation in teaching

Eligibility

Instructors as well as study program directors

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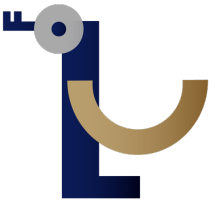
2-3 projects p/a

Award criteria

- Innovation
- Effectiveness
- Sustainability
- Quality of design
- Student involvement
- Activities within UNA Europa (partners)
- Fit with UZH global strategy
- Promote of UZH as an attractive place to study
- Consideration of student needs

Exampels

- Participate in Una European Joint Bachelor „Europe and the World“,
- Welcome course for international students



focus_innovation

Goals

- Promote innovations along strategic priorities
- Promote anchoring/broadening of innovations that are relevant across the university

Eligibility

Vice-president Education and Teaching

Output

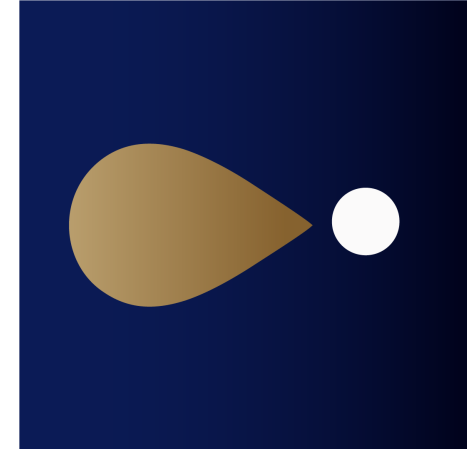
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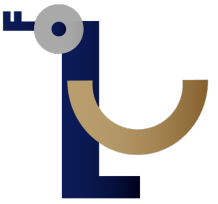
Award criteria

- Strategic relevance for UZH as an institution

Examples

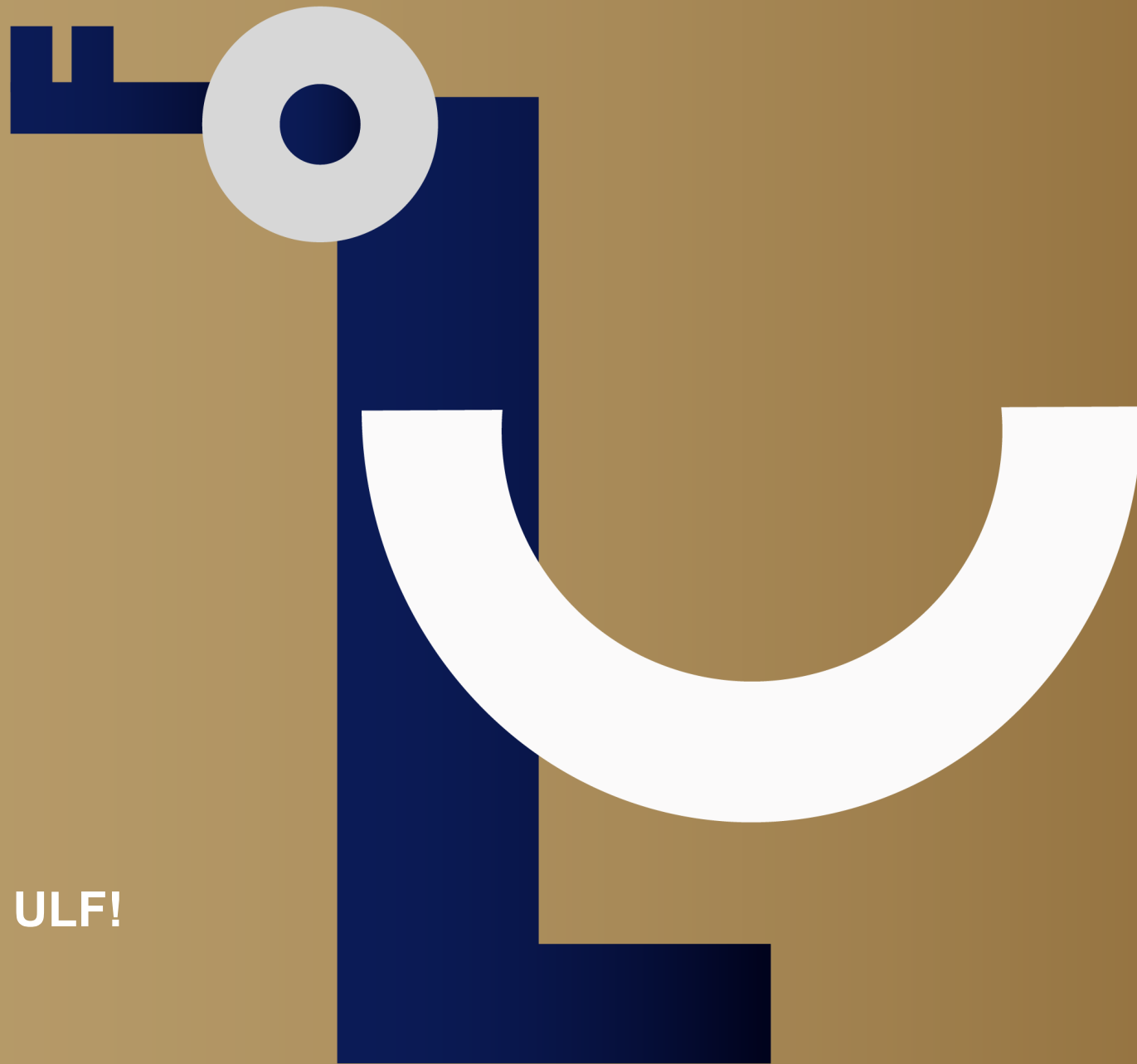
- STATS4All
- Deterioration of students' exam performances
- Accessibility and inclusion of students with disabilities





Challenges

1. Find and promote the «right» projects
2. Provide Support the large number of projects and their dissemination
3. Measurement of impact



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