



International Symposium on Responsibility and Impact of HEIs
Global Perspectives from the Magna Charta Observatory Research Initiative
September 25-26, 2025
Venue: American International University-Bangladesh, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Introduction:

The “Responsive and Responsible University” initiative, launched by the Magna Charta Observatory in 2022, is a timely and impactful initiative to explore how universities can better fulfill their roles in today’s rapidly changing world. By encouraging critical academic inquiry into institutional responsibilities, social engagement, and ethical leadership, the initiative provides a platform for universities worldwide to reflect on and enhance their contributions to society. These projects represent a commitment to academic freedom, sustainability, inclusion, and community partnership, principles that are increasingly central to higher education’s global mission.

As a committed signatory of the Magna Charta Universitatum 2020, the American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) is honored to host a dissemination event for this initiative. The event will feature the presentation of diverse and thought-provoking research projects carried out under the “Responsive and Responsible University” program. Bringing together scholars, practitioners, and institutional leaders, this gathering will serve as a vital opportunity to share insights, reflect on outcomes, and foster meaningful dialogue on the evolving responsibilities of universities. AIUB is proud to facilitate this important conversation and contribute to shaping a more inclusive, ethical, and socially engaged future for higher education.

Program Schedule:

Day 01 – Thursday, September 25, 2025

Program Highlights

Time	Session Title
09:00 AM - 09:30 AM	Registration AIUB Campus
09:30 AM - 09:40 AM	Welcome Remarks Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, Member, AIUB Board of Trustees
09:40 AM - 10:30 AM	Background of the Project David J. Lock, Secretary General, Magna Charta Observatory
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Networking & Refreshment Break
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Project Dissemination by: Dr Mary Deasy & Dr Catherine Bates Technological University, Dublin (TU Dublin), Ireland
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Project Dissemination by: Dr. Nomeda Gudeliene and Prof. Dangis Gudelis Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Lunch / Break
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Talk Show <i>The Responsible University: Cross-Cutting themes from all the Projects</i> Hosting: Emeritus Professor John L. Davies, MCO Ambassador and Editor of the Research Publication

Day 02 – Friday, September 26, 2025

Program Highlights

Time	Session Title
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Project Dissemination by: Agata Strzadala Wroclaw Medical University, Poland
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Project Dissemination by: Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, Dr. Farheen Hassan, Ms. Nazia Farhana, Ms. Carlin Z. Lamagna & Dr. Rezbin Nahar American International University-Bangladesh, Bangladesh
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM	Lunch / Break
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	Showcasing Innovative Solutions for Sustainable Development A colloquium of student-led SDG initiatives presented by AIUB's aspiring changemakers
02:30 PM - 03:30 PM	Discussion Reflections & Roadmap: Shaping MCO's Next Steps
03:30 PM - 03:40 PM	Closing Session Closing Remarks: Ms. Nadia Anwar, Chairman, Board of Trustees, AIUB
03:40 PM - 03:50 PM	Vote of Thanks: Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice Chancellor, AIUB
03:50 PM - 04:15 PM	Cultural Program

AIUB is eagerly waiting to host you in Dhaka!