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The Association for Modern Universities



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To all students and staff in higher education,

The UK's university sector is one of our major success stories. In every city, region and country of the UK there are students, academics and support staff making major contributions to our economy, our culture, and our global reputation.

It is our firm belief that another aspect of this continuing success is our incredibly beneficial collaboration with partners through our membership of the European Union. This union has given students and staff life-changing opportunities to study and work all across the continent, benefitting themselves and society in ways that cannot be valued only in pounds or euros.

These links have greatly boosted our world-leading research. They have made it possible for UK students to study in Europe and for European students to study in the UK, and they have enabled many gifted staff to help educate the next generation, in a way envied all across the world.

Universities are, and always have been, the students and staff that populate them but political decisions are made by those who show up. If our universities are to go from strength to strength, and if the students of today are to become the global leaders of tomorrow, we urge everyone associated with higher education to register now to vote in the referendum and to vote to remain in the EU on 23 June.

Yours,

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