

# UDICE European Forum



Enhancing Europe's sovereignty: research universities as drivers of  
open strategic autonomy

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## OPENING REMARKS

## KEYNOTE

## CONCLUDING REMARKS



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President  
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MEP  
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## Roundtable 1: Europe of knowledge in motion: research universities as a lever for scientific and technological sovereignty

### SPEAKERS



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Co-founder and scientific director of DuranceAI



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CEO Science Business  
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## Roundtable 2: Think, Train, Transform: turning talent into Europe's AI advantage

### SPEAKERS



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**Frederique BERROD**  
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