

# First pan-African private higher education network Honoris United Universities launched

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Honoris United Universities, the first pan-African higher private education has been launched in London. The network, built upon its unique 'collaborative intelligence' concept, brings together the pioneering efforts of leading tertiary education institutions in North and Southern Africa, to educate Africa's next generation of leaders and professionals.



The Honoris United Universities network includes leading post-secondary education group in Tunisia, Université Centrale Group and Morocco's Université Mundiapolis, which is renowned for its international approach and focus on employability.

Honoris United Universities has also announced that subject to regulatory approvals, EMSI, Ecole Marocaine des Sciences de l'Ingénieur, the largest private institution in Morocco and the leading private engineering school, and Management College of Southern Africa, better known as "MANCOSA", and the Regent Business School, will form part of the Honoris United Universities network. Both MANCOSA and Regent are South Africa's leading private distance learning institutions, focussed on providing accredited, accessible and affordable education.

These agreements in Morocco and South Africa mark the genesis of the pan-African education leadership position that Honoris United Universities seeks to cement. As a whole, Honoris United Universities will offer more than 100 degrees in fields including Health Sciences, Engineering, IT, Business, Law, Architecture, Arts and Design, Media, Education and Political Science. Delivery is focussed on student success and includes a blend of on-campus, learning centres and distance learning.

## Introducing the newly appointed CEO

In addition, Honoris is pleased to announce the appointment of Luis Lopez as its CEO. Luis brings a strong track record of significantly widening student success and international management experience from Laureate International Universities.

Luis Lopez, the newly appointed CEO of Honoris United Universities, stated: "I am proud to introduce Honoris United Universities, a unique platform providing international quality education. It is rooted in the vision of the founders of the member institutions. Aware of the vital need for their communities to develop human capital, they have each worked for decades to build relevant and demanding academic models with the dual objectives of developing the employability and the life skills of their graduates. We believe our key values – collaborative intelligence, mobility and agility - unite us in the purpose of securing a successful impact for our students, their families and their communities."

The Founders of Honoris United Universities include Slah and Chédia Ben Turkia, who established Université Centrale, IMSET (Institut Maghrébin des Sciences et Economies et de Technologie) and Académie d'Art de Carthage in Tunisia; Professor Yusuf Karodia, the founder of MANCOSA & Regent Business School in Southern Africa; Dr Kamal Daissaoui and Mr Zouhair Benabbou, as founders of EMSI and Mr Lotfi El Eulj, Mr Abdelaziz Lahlou and their partners, the founders of Université Mundiapolis in Morocco.

These leaders are characterised by a strong belief in creating pan-regional successful graduates with cross-border academic qualifications and work experience to be competitive in today's fast-paced and demanding labour markets.

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## About Honoris United Universities

Honoris United Universities is the first pan-African private higher education network committed to preparing and educating the next generation of African leaders and professionals able to impact regionally in a globalised world.

Collaborative intelligence, cultural agility and mobile mindsets and skills are at the heart of Honoris' vision of higher education.

Honoris United Universities joins the expertise of its member institutions to create pan-regional profile graduates that are competitive in today's fast-paced and demanding labour markets.

Honoris United Universities gathers a community of 27,000 students on 48 campuses, learning centres and on-line, in nine countries and 30 cities across Africa. More than 100 degrees are offered in the fields of Health Science, Engineering, IT, Business, Law, Architecture, Arts and Design, Media, Education and Political Science.

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