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Steering Institutional Change Toward Greater International Exchange With the U.S., While Consolidating the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) Reform

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Presenters address the challenges faced by European institutions striving for greater international exchange with US universities, while consolidating the EHEA reform; and suggest effective actions to remove typical barriers, including: conflicting calendars, rigid curriculum, limited financial resources, lack of language skills, differences in academic records, and flawed general assumptions.

TOPIC	GUEST DISCUSSION LEADERS	TIME
Conflicting calendars	David Gil / UC3M	4 min.
Lack of on-line data (website)	Cristina Grasset / SEP	4 min.
Costs	Cristina Grasset / SEP	4 min.
Language requirements for students	David Gil / UC3M	4 min.
Differences in academic records/transcripts	Cristina Grasset / SEP	4 min.
Lack of timely data on course offerings (syllabi, etc ...)	Javier Orozco / UPV	4 min.
Complex admission and/or registration processes	Stephanie Lim & Ana Carballal / Nebrija U.	4 min.
Lack of students services	Rosa Almoguera / Fundación Ortega Marañón	4 min.
Accreditations	Alejandra Villena / USP International	4 min.
Student visas	C. Grasset / SEP	4 min.
Additional discussion time	All	15 min.