

Dear colleagues,

At HSE, we are extremely concerned about the situation involving the possible loss of accreditation for Central European University. Founded just one year apart, our universities have always shared a feeling of goodwill toward one another. Although we do not have a formalized partnership, we feel a strong connection with Central European University; we carry out research together and take part in each other's activities. HSE has become a home for many Central European University alumni who are now successfully teaching at our university or leading research work. Central European University is first and foremost a home for real research, a home that enables discoveries, and a home that is young and that does not stop developing for even a moment. Passports are irrelevant to science – it is global – and the likely closing of Central European University will be a blow to science, academic freedom and the most important freedom achieved by humanity – the freedom to access knowledge.

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