



ERASMUS Multilateral Projects
Curriculum Development
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The University of Lodz

The University of Lodz was founded in 1945 and today it is one of the biggest Polish universities with 12 faculties and enrollment of over 40 000 students. The University of Lodz offers 33 degree graduate programs and 134 specializations. A wide selection of PhD programs is also available along with 90 postgraduate studies, including MBA studies and studies sponsored by the EFS. The "Governance for sustainable development" project will be developed in cooperation with the Faculty of Economics and Sociology, Faculty of Biology and Environmental Protection and Faculty of Law and Administration.

Introduction to the project idea

Authors have come to conclusion that there is a significant lack of coherent study program that would ensure training for students in the field of good governance. The program will allow students to acquire skills for effective governance in the public sector at different levels: local, regional and national. The quality of good governance include:

- Institutional reform programs that support the liberalization of markets, prices, and trade and exchange regimes
- Public sector reforms that privatize state-owned enterprises, making them more responsive and accountable



- Reforms in service delivery and infrastructure programs to decentralize government and bring services closer to the people.

It will focus on 6 main pillars:

- political stability and regulatory quality - the ability of the government to formulate and implement sound policies and regulations that permit and promote private sector development,
- government effectiveness - quality of public services, the quality of the civil service and the degree of its independence from political pressures, the quality of policy formulation and implementation, and the credibility of the government's commitment to such policies,
- sustainable development including environmental protection and regulations in the sector of environmental goods and services,
- social policy and regulations protecting better social security,
- control of corruption based on anti-corruption strategy,
- public health - including e-health development

Project will be developed by joint efforts of universities from EU member states and Ukraine. It will create perfect area for discussion and exchange of ideas, experiences and methodologies.

This unique study program will be further implemented by the consortium in frames of Erasmus Mundus. The programme will be addressed to students in the third countries, with special reference to Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Russia as well as to some developing countries of Asia, especially to China and India and selected SAARC countries.

Objectives of the Erasmus Curriculum Development

Program LIFELONG LEARNING Subprogram ERASMUS Action Category MULTILATERAL PROJECTS Action ERASMUS Curriculum Development Projects

Curriculum development projects are designed to support the process of innovation and upgrading in higher education teaching. They may be proposed in any academic discipline.

By combining the expertise and state-of-the-art knowledge of higher education institutions from at least three eligible countries participating in the LLP, such projects can make a significant contribution to reinforcing the quality and European dimension of higher education teaching.

What should the project emphasize

- Particular importance is attached to co-operation with the professional world
- Priority will be given to projects which aim at developing or revising one or more of the following:

1. Integrated programmes covering a complete cycle of study (at bachelor, master or doctorate level) and leading to a recognized double or joint degree;
2. Curricula and modules for continuing education designed to update knowledge obtained in the past;



3. Teaching modules in highly interdisciplinary areas or in areas with a specific need for strong transnational cooperation in teaching.

What arrangements need to be made

- After the development phase, these programmes or modules should be delivered by partner institutions in a genuinely integrated manner, involving student and staff mobility.
- The students should receive multiple or joint degrees (or certificates for modules), recognized by the participating institutions and countries.
- The last year of the project should be devoted to the implementation and dissemination of the joint delivery of the course/modules/curricula, agreement on admission criteria, learning outcomes, assessment, quality assurance and recognition.

Who can benefit?

- Higher education institutions
- Public bodies
- Enterprises
- Associations, networks or consortia of higher education institutions or other organizations active in relation to higher education

Who can apply?

Higher education institutions holding a full duration ERASMUS University Charter.

What grant is available?

- A maximum of 150.000/year
- The maximum EU contribution to projects running for more than 2 years will be 300.000 € for the entire duration of the project
- The maximum EU contribution is 75%.

Duration

Maximum 3 years

Looking for partners

Currently we are looking for universities from European Union Member States and Ukraine willing to contribute to the proposal and the project with their experience and knowledge. The prospect partner should be higher education institution holding Erasmus University Charter.

The University of Lodz is now at the stage of creating high quality consortium for the project. If you are interested to join the partnership please send your profile by August 1st with description of your institution, quality of staff and experience relevant to governance for sustainable development proposal to mkulik@uni.lodz.pl. For more details you can contact me by email or at the number given above.