



Tempus

VERITAS

STRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE THIRD CYCLE BASED ON SALZBURG PRINCIPLES

Implementation of Salzburg Principles in Republic of Armenia

TRAINING & PROJECT MEETING

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Graz, Austria

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About the Training

In 2005, the Salzburg Principles were established in the Bologna Process as the basis of the reforms for doctoral education. In the half decade that has passed since then, Europe's universities have carried out wide-ranging reforms in this area, most notably by establishing doctoral schools. The achievements and experiences of Europe's universities affirm and enrich the original principles¹.

The Salzburg Principles were established to serve as a guiding instrument to the universities across Europe. Their chief objective is to make a connection between the European Research Area and the European Higher Education Area by building a common framework and using the PhD concept in pursuance of reconnecting the university with the society, economy and industry.

The numerous problems and difficulties of designing, managing and delivering quality doctoral education has been recognized throughout Europe, and not only the Republic of Armenia.

With an aim to familiarize and inspire the Armenian academic community with diverse "PhD models" from around the world, the foreseen training will gather a group of renowned expert-lecturers who will elaborate the models applied at their home universities and countries. During the training, "case study examples" from Austria, Germany, United Kingdom and Sweden will be presented to the audience, which will be comprised of representatives from the management, teaching staff, and students from all Armenian public universities.

This training provides an opportunity for Armenian higher education institutions to share their knowledge and experiences, with an aim to establish common Standards in PhD education in Armenia. The different profiles and visions of the Armenian institutions are on one hand an advantage, yet on another they represent a challenge for future activities associated with the Tempus VERITAS project implementation at the Armenian universities. This training will support all universities in their efforts to adopt and implement new Standards in line with the European Higher Education Area initiatives.

Learning outcomes: Gained knowledge about the EU and the Armenian system of PhD education, knowledge about adoption of the new guidelines in the frame of Salzburg Principles and its implementation to the Armenian system of higher education.

The **intent of the training** on Salzburg Principles is for the Armenian universities to utilize the newly acquired knowledge as an important instrument for future activities and project outcomes, as well as to have a better approach in the creation of university strategies and appropriate standards as foreseen by the VERITAS project.

Hosting institution: WUS Austria

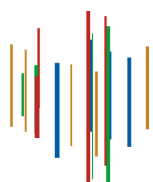
Participants: Yerevan State Medical University, University of Heidelberg, Royal Institute of Technology, University of Girona, Bath Spa University, Yerevan State Academy of Fine Arts, Yerevan State University, Yerevan State Linguistic University, Yerevan State University of Architecture and Construction, Armenian State University of Economics, Gavar State University, Vanadzor State Pedagogical Institute, Northern University, National Academy of Sciences of Armenia, Public Administration Academy of the Rep. of Armenia, National Center for Professional Education Quality Assurance, Education Quality, Supreme Certifying Commission of the Rep. of Armenia, Ministry of Education and Science of Armenia

External support: University of Graz

Premises: Seminar rooms at Hotel Feichtinger, meeting room at dean's office of University of Graz

Number of participants: approx. 45

¹ Salzburg II Recommendations European Universities' Achievements Since 2005 In Implementing The Salzburg Principles, EUA, Berlin, 2010.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

May 5th-7th 2014

Sunday, May 4th 2014

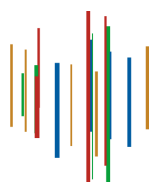
During the day	Arrival by bus/train/plane	
16:30	Guided city tour	Optional (invitation by WUS Austria)
18:00	Welcome drink at Skybar Schlossberg	Optional (invitation by WUS Austria)

Monday, May 5th 2014

Venue:	Hotel Feichtinger, seminar room	
08:45	Registration and distribution of meeting materials	All partners
09:15	Departure of the whole group to University of Graz	All partners
Venue:	University of Graz, dean's office	Moderated by Almir Kovacevic
09:30-09:45	Welcome and introduction Agenda and background	Wolfgang Benedek Almir Kovacevic
09:45-10:00	About the VERITAS project	Marine Balasanyan
10:00-10:30	Overview on HE landscape in Austria	Almir Kovacevic
10:30-11:15	PhD through joint university cooperation (30min+discussion)	Thomas Schweitzer
11:15-11:30	Coffee break	
11:30-12:15	PhD from the teaching perspective (30min+discussion)	Gerd Oberleitner
12:15-12:30	Introduction on Salzburg principles/training kit	Dino Mujkic
12:30	Walk through university buildings/city to lunch place	
13:00-14:30	Lunch at Glöcklbräu	
Venue:	Hotel Feichtinger, seminar room	Moderated by Dino Mujkic
15:00-16:30	Armenian HEI presentations: PhD structure and Salzburg principles at home institution (5-7min each)	Armenian partners
16:30-17:15	Reflection, discussion, outlook for tomorrow	All partners
20:00	Dinner at L'Osteria Pizza e Pasta	

Tuesday, May 6th 2014

Venue:	Hotel Feichtinger, seminar room	Moderated by Dino Mujkic
09:30-10:15	PhD from the perspective of a university unit (30min+discussion)	Stefanie Lerch
10:15-10:45	Training kit: Salzburg principles 1. and 2.	Dan Davies
10:45-11:15	Training kit: Salzburg principles 3. and 4.	Dino Mujkic
11:15-11:30	Coffee break	
11:30-12:00	Training kit: Salzburg principles 5., 6. and 7.	Hans-Günther Sonntag
12:00-12:30	Training kit: Salzburg principles 8.	Josep J. Bosch, Magui P. Cabani
12:30-13:00	Training kit: Salzburg principles 9. and 10.	Hans Mattsson
13:00-14:30	Lunch at Restaurant Scherbe	



14:30-16:30	Working groups on Salzburg principles/training kit	All partners
16:30-17:00	Reflection, discussion, outlook for tomorrow	All partners

Wednesday, May 7th 2014

Venue:	Hotel Feichtinger, seminar room	Moderated by Almir Kovacevic and Marine Balasanyan
09:30-10:00	Wrap-up and reflection from the last two days	All partners
10:00-11:00	Future opportunities, training kit, Q&A session	All partners
11:00-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-13:00	Project and financial management, next steps	Marine Balasanyan
14:30	Excursion to South of Styria – wine road	Optional

List of Presenters

Mag.	Almir	KOVACEVIC	WUS Austria	Executive Director
Dr.	Dino	MUJKIC	WUS Austria	Regional Manager
Univ.- Prof. Dr.	Wolfgang	BENEDEK	University of Graz	Professor at Department/Institute of Intern. Law and Intern. Relations
Dr.	Stefanie	LERCH	University of Graz	PhD university unit DocService
Mag. Dr.	Thomas	SCHWEITZER	NAWI Graz	Head of office Deans/Project Coordination
Ao.Univ.- Prof. Dr.	Gerd	OBERLEITNER	University of Graz	Chairman of Curriculum Commission of Law Faculty
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