

VERITAS Project

Workpackage 4: Study Visits at European Higher Education Institutions

Program for the study visit at the University of Heidelberg

Heidelberg benefits from several measures that were implemented in context of the excellence initiative for German Universities launched by the German Government in 2006/7. Among a number of measures for the University as a whole, disciplinary projects were funded under the excellence initiative. These were three structured PhD programs and two large research clusters.

On the first day, we will have site visits on our structured PhD programs ("Graduate Schools": HBIGS for Life Sciences and Medicine; HGS MathComp for Computational and Mathematical Methods; HGSFP for Fundamental Physics) with presentations and respective Q&A sessions. It will be important for you, to actively participate in the Q&A sessions to make optimal use of the presentations. The day will continue with an open discussion downtown in the Old University building. Here, we will also have some time to integrate discussions about the individual strategy plans of Armenian HEIs.

<http://www.hbiggs.uni-heidelberg.de>

<http://www.mathcomp.uni-heidelberg.de>

<http://www.fundamental-physics.uni-hd.de>

On the second day, we are going to visit the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, which is one top class research institutions world-wide in the Life Sciences. In the afternoon of the second day, we will visit Heidelbergs research cluster "Asia and Europe" for presentation and a Q&A session. Finally, we will again have time for an open discussion between European and Armenian partners, in which they can ask further questions, give comments to the presentations and discuss about their strategic plans.

<http://www.embl.de>

<http://www.asia-europe.uni-heidelberg.de/en/home.html>

The drafted agenda looks as follows:

Wednesday, 25.11.15: Arrival of Armenian Delegates

Thursday, 26.11.15:

- 9.30: Briefing and visit at the Graduate School of Molecular and Cellular Biology (HBIGS) with Q&A Session
Prof. Dr. Oliver Gruss, Scientific Coordinator
- 11:00 Presentation of the Heidelberg Graduate School for Mathematical and Computational Methods for the Sciences (HGS MathComp) with Q&A Session
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- 12:30 Lunch at University Mensa
- 14:00 Presentation of Heidelberg Graduate School of Fundamental Physics (HGSFP) with Q&A Session
Prof. Dr. Sandra Klevansky, Administrative Director
- 15:30 Feed-back in groups at Old University with discussion about institutional strategy plans
- 18:00 Get together at Heidelbergs Christmas Market, individual dinners

Friday, 27.11.15

- 9:30 Briefing 2nd day with HBIGS
- 10:00 Transfer to EMBL
- 10:30 Presentations and Guided Tour at EMBL
Dr. Philipp Gebhardt, Head of European Learning Laboratory for the Life Sciences
Dr. Helke Hillebrandt, Dean of Graduate Studies
Dr. Silke Schumacher, Director of International Relations
- 12:30 Transfer to Heidelberg downtown
- 13:00 Lunch at University Mensa downtown
- 14:30 Visit at Research Cluster "Asia and Europe in a Global Context"
Dr. Oliver Lamers, Administrative Director
Dr. Sophie Roche, Junior Group Leader
- 15:30 Feed-back in groups
- ca. 17:00 End of Meeting
- 19:00 Dinner at Kloster Neuburg