

MPPC Workshop **Vilnius, 7-8 May 2014**

Artis Centrum Hotel
Liejyklos St 11/23
Vilnius, Lithuania

Programme

Introduction

This workshop is part of the one year European Commission supported project 'MPPC', coordinated by the European University Association (EUA) and the Academic Cooperation Association (ACA), associating the rectors' conferences of Lithuania, Hungary and France, as a follow up of the MAUNIMO project. Mobility is a wide subject which encompasses students and staff, as well as outgoing or incoming processes within, to and out of Europe for study, internships or training periods. Mobility is an essential part of the internationalisation process of universities and as such requires specific policies both at European, national and university levels, supported by operational practices. The central aim of the MPPC project is to focus on the transfer of policy towards institutional mobility practice and vice versa - from practice to policy making level in order to quantitatively and qualitatively improve mobility.

The special focus of the workshop is incoming mobility of students and staff (academic including research and non-academic). Several issues will be discussed: Lithuanian national mobility policy in the context of EHEA internationalisation; what can Lithuania learn from other European examples; national strategies to attract and retain global talents via inward mobility (from undergraduates to researchers) and their relationship to institutional practice; ; institutional policies to support mobility (language policy, for example) staff mobility management; international placement management; monitoring of incoming student expectations.

This workshop will gather a limited number (ca. 35-40) of participants including experts from ministries, national agencies, Lithuanian and European universities, LURK, ACA and EUA. The participants will benefit from guest presentations from other European speakers. Discussions will be organized around panels that are expected to produce conclusions to be provided to the SWG preparing a new national policy document on academic mobility.

Wednesday, 7 May 2014

09.00-09.30 Registration, coffee

Session 1 *Chair: Petras Baršauskas, President of the Lithuanian Rectors' Conference (LURK)*

09.30-09.45 Welcome by the president of LURK. Introduction to the agenda

09.45-10.15 Tour de table: Introduction of the participants, expectations

10.15-10.45 National mobility policy in the context of EHEA internationalisation.

Speaker: Rimantas Vaitkus, Vice Minister for Education and Science

10.45-11.15 Mobility policy in EU. Presentation by invited speaker from European Commission (*tbc*)

11.15-11.45 Coffee break

Session 2 European perspectives on mobility.

Chair: A. Radzevičienė, Head of LURK International relations committee

11.45-13.00

Presentation on national mobility strategies in Europe/ ACA study on mobility

Speaker: Bernd Wächter, Director, Academic Cooperation Association (ACA)

Presentation of MAUNIMO project and conclusions.

Speaker: Elizabeth Colucci, Programme Manager, European University Association (EUA)

13.00-14.00 Lunch

Session 3 *Chair: Alvidas Šarlauskas, Vice-Dean for International Relations, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences*

14.00-15.30 National strategies to attract and retain global talents via inward mobility (from undergraduates to researchers)

Speakers:

- *Jean-Pierre Gesson, International Expert, French Rectors' Conference (CPU)*
- *Anita Damsgaard Jensen, Chief Adviser, Danish Agency for Higher Education*
- *Helen Põllo, Head of the Higher Education Department of the Estonian Ministry of Education and Research*

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.30 Institutional mobility strategy development

Chair: Elizabeth Colucci, Programme Manager, EUA

Speakers:

- *Silvia Mangialardo, International Officer, Università Politecnica delle Marche, Italy*
- *Asta Radzevičienė, Vice-Rector for International Relations, Vilnius Gediminas Technical University*

18.30 Dinner

Thursday, 8 May 2014

- Session 4** Attracting students: Student's perspectives, needs and expectations
09.00-10.00 *Chair: Sigitas Stanys, Vice-rector for International relations, Kaunas University of Technology*
Speakers:
- *Grazina Kaklauskienė, Deputy head of Education Exchanges Support Foundation*
 - *Paulius Baltokas, President of Lithuanian student representatives*
- Session 5** Enhancing mobility practices: Institutional approaches for incoming and outgoing mobility
10.00-11.00 Institutional language policies as mobility support tool
Chair: Elizabeth Colucci, Programme Manager, EUA
Speakers:
- *Bernd Wächter, Director, ACA*
 - *Zina Baltrėnienė, Director of International Relations, Vytautas Magnus University*
- 11.00-11.40** Internship as mobility experience
Chair: Nina Kind, Project Officer, EUA
Speaker:
- *Rūta Svarinskaitė, Partners4Value project coordinator*
- 11.40-12.00** **Coffee break**
- Session 6** Final panel: From institutional to national level: new strategies to be implemented
12.00-13.00 *Chair: Jean-Pierre Gesson, International Expert, CPU*
Speakers:
- *Asta Radzevičienė, Head of LURK International relations committee*
 - *Elizabeth Colucci, Programme Manager, EUA*
 - *Irina Ferencz, Policy Officer, ACA*
- 13.00-14:00** **Closing lunch and end of workshop**