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REGIONAL VISIT OF SERBIAN DELEGATION TO FINAC PROJECT PARTNER INSTITUTIONS FROM ALBANIA

ERASMUS+ project FINAC (Financial management, Accounting and Controlling curricula development for capacity building of public administration) delegation from Serbia visited the project's partner institutions in Albania on April 24-29, 2017. The coordination meetings took place in Tirana and Shkodra and were organized by project team member from European University of Tirana and Shkodra University "Luigj Gurakuqi".



The Serbian delegation had the following members: Vice Rector of the University of Belgrade, Prof. dr. Ivanka Popović, Rector of State University of Novi Pazar Prof. dr. Miladin Kostić, University of Kragujevac' representative assistant professor Milan Čupić, Centre for Education Policy's representative Milica Grahovac, and FINAC ERASMUS+ PROJECT COORDINATOR Prof.dr. Slađana Benković.

The regional visit aimed to create cohesion among project team members from Serbian and Albanian partner institutions, to present the results achieved in the last six months of project implementation, and to define upcoming activities for the next six months. Each meeting was attended by Rectors and Vice Rectors of regional universities, Deans and Vice Deans at faculties responsible for implementation of project activities, and project team leaders from partner institutions.



The official part of the visit started at 14:00h on April 25, 2017 at European University of Tirana (UET), when the delegation met with UET's Rector Prof. dr. Tonina Gjuraj. The topic of the meeting was the UET's current engagement and full support to the FINAC project implementation. The delegation addressed to the members of the UET's Department of Financial Management and Management and presented the expected outcomes of the project. This coordination meeting was moderated by Prof. dr. Blerjana Bino, project team leader from UET.

This meeting was attended by representatives of Albanian Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Innovation and Public Administration, as well as the Dean at Faculty of Economics and Information Technology, Prof. dr. Engjëll Pere.

The next day, the Serbian delegation visited Shkodra University "Luigj Gurakuqi", with the help of UET representatives.





The delegation had the first meeting with Rector of Shkodra University "Luigj Gurakuqi", Prof.dr. Adem Bakteshi, who expressed the University's full support to FINAC project. The meeting was attended by Prof.dr. Blerta Dragusha, Dean at Faculty of Economy and its FINAC project team leader. The delegation also met with the mayor of Schkodra and representatives of local government, who expressed strong support to implementation and sustainability of FINAC project.



The next day of the visit involved several meetings with project team members from UET. The UET's project team took significant part in implementation of WP.1. This team intensively participate in the research as a mediator between Ministry of Innovation and Public Administration, and Centre for Education Policy from Belgrade who runs the project research. The meeting was chaired by UET's Vice Rector for Research and Methodology, Prof. dr. Selami Xhepa.

The last day of the visit, April 28, 2017, started with the meeting with the Advisor to the Minister for Innovation and Public Administration Dr. Besarta Vladi. This Ministry has very important role in implementation and sustainability of the FINAC project, but at the same time it is not a member of the project's consortia. This is why the potential for the Ministry's more intensive engagement in project implementation was discussed.





In the afternoon, the delegation members participated in the Plenary Session of the International Conference 'Albanian Studies Days' at the UET, where they were informed about economic and financial environment in Albania by the minister of economy Milva Economi and other speakers. The key details about FINAC project were presented to the Conference auditorium.

The Serbian delegation returned to Belgrade on the afternoon of April 29, 2017.



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