

HERE Seminar "Driving University Strategies towards the Internationalization through the Use International Benchmarks", 4-5, February, 2019

DRAFT AGENDA

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04 February 2019, Monday

9.30 – 10.00 **Registrations of the participants**

10.00 – 10.30 **Opening and Introductory Session**

- Representatives of the stakeholder institutions: Eurasia International University, Ministry of Education and Science, National Erasmus+ Office, HERE Team
- Introduction to Seminar by moderator HERE expert Prof. Dr. Lusine Fljyan: Expectations and focus of the seminar.

10.30 – 11.30 **Trends in strategic planning for internationalization at national and university level in the EHEA context**, Irina Ferencz, Deputy Director of Academic Cooperation Association (ACA), Belgium

- Latest updates from Europe in internationalisation strategy building and implementation at national and university level.
- Case studies of specific countries and institutions.
- Reccuring challenges and new solutions.

11.30 – 13.00. **Challenges and opportunities in strategic planning in internationalization in Armenian universities** (for internationalization in general, and through the use of international benchmarks in particular)

Panel discussion with the participation of the Representatives or Coordinators of the Erasmus+ Capacity Building Projects/Tempus with the presentation of terrain experiences and opinions.

- **Alexander Markarov, Yerevan State University** (TEMPUS PICASA project)
- **Arevik Ohanyan, Eurasia International University** (Erasmus+ HARMONY project)
- **Kristina Tsureyan, Yerevan Bursov State University of Languages and Social Sciences** (Erasmus+ BOOST project, former leader)
- **Gohar Dokholyan, Vanadzor State University** (Erasmus+ BOOST project)

Proposals for the improvements.

13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch break**

14.00 – 15.00 – **Emerging models of building internationalization strategies (including through the use of international benchmarks)**, Irina Ferencz, Deputy Director of Academic Cooperation Association (ACA), Belgium

Presentation followed by panel discussion with the participation of Armenian HEREs.

15.00- 15.30 – **Coffee-break**

15.30 – 16.15 **International benchmarks – motivations, examples, approaches**

Personal Introspection and 3 group discussions around the questions which will previously be distributed to all the participants (The participants will answer 5 questions in written form, and the answers will be shared with the European expert in advance of the meeting. They will then discuss with the other participants about the same questions and compare preferences and experiences).

16.15 -16.45 **Short reporting by the rapporteurs of the 3 groups on the results of group discussions and interactive discussion with all seminar participants.**

16.45 – 17.15 **Concluding remarks of Day 1**, Irina Ferencz (ACA), Lusine Fljyan (Erasmus+ HERE)

05 February 2019, Tuesday

9.00 – 9.30 **Registration of the participants**

9.30 – 10:00 **Introductory Session of Day 2**

- Representatives of the stakeholder institutions: Eurasia International University, Armenian National Erasmus+ Office, HERE Team
- Resume from Day 1 and Focus on Expectations of Day 2 by the seminar moderator, Lusine Fljyan (Erasmus+ HERE)

10.00– 11.00. **Links between national and institutional strategies for internationalization – some European examples. Irina Ferencz, ACA**

11.00 – 12.00 **Links between national and institutional strategies for internationalization in Armenia**

Parallel round table group discussions – splitting and working in 3 groups. Each group will have a moderator and a rapporteur.

Group 1 – How relevant is the national research policy for the internationalization of research at your institution, and does that policy include an international dimension and if so, what are its main characteristics? (Moderator - Arkadiy Papoyan, HERE expert, Ministry of Education and Science)

Group 2 – How much the Internationalization in higher education more affiliated with teaching and learning at the Armenian Institutions? (Moderator – Samvel Karabekyan, Erasmus+ HERE Coordinator, Ministry of Education and Science)

Group 3 – How can the the obstacles towards internationalization be reduced at the Armenian universities? (Moderator – Angelina Hovhannissyan, Ministry of Education and Science)

12.00 – 12.30 - **Short reporting from the parallel group discussions by the rapporteurs.**

12.30- 13.30 **Lunch break**

13.30 – 14.00. **Modern University Internationalization Strategies - vision from experience**, Representative of American University of Armenia

- Challenges.
- Approaches
- Good paradigms.
- Vision.

14.00 - 15.00 - **The diverse needs of students in developing internationalization strategies: making internationalization strategies more robust and comprehensive for students. Panel Discussions with the participation of the representatives Student Unions.**

15.00– 15.30 – **Coffee Break**

15.30 – 16.30 **Performance-Based Agreements in different European countries and role of internationalization goals therein, experiences and lessons learnt**, Irina Ferencz, ACA

16.30 – 17.00. **Proposals for the future**, Irina Ferencz, ACA

Conclusive remarks of the seminar, Lana Karlova, NEO, Lusine Fljyan, Erasmus+ HERE

