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Erasmus+ information campaign in Moldova, in 2018

More than 500 students and around 500 of university professors from Moldova have been informed about the Erasmus+ Programme opportunities, during the 2018 Information Campaign.

The campaign consisted in a series of information events dedicated to students and university professors from Chisinau, Balti, Cahul and Comrat.



Students have received important information on the opportunities available within the Erasmus+ Programme (short-term study mobility, traineeships, master programmes) and how to apply for Erasmus+ study mobilities. As well, NEO Moldova invited Erasmus+ Alumni to share their study mobility experience in Europe, to offer support and advice to the newcomers.

In the same time, the university professors have been informed about the results of the Moldovan HEIs within Erasmus+, opportunities of being involved in Erasmus+ Actions available for Moldova, topics and issues to address as part of a successful project proposal.

Promoting international partnerships within Erasmus+ Programme

The National Erasmus+ Office in Moldova has organised an international event dedicated to the promotion of the international partnerships within the Erasmus+ Programme. The seminar, part of the annual informational campaign on the Erasmus+ Programme opportunities, was held at the Moldova State University premises.

The event was launched with the Erasmus+ Capacity Building and Jean Monnet Projects Fair, Moldovan HEIs being selected for 22 of such projects between 2015 and 2018. These projects come to modernise the education system, teaching and learning methods, study programmes, and to integrate the Republic of Moldova within European higher education area.



At the event have participated the Head of EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova, Peter Michalko, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Daniela Morari, Head of Policy Department for Higher Education from the Ministry of Education Culture and Research of the Republic of Moldova, Nadejda Velişco, the Ambassador of the Polish Republic to the Republic of Moldova, Bartłomiej Zdaniuk, the representatives from the French, German, Italian, Polish, Romanian, Turkish, British Embassies, the representatives of the HEIs from Sweden, Romania and France, representatives of the National Erasmus+ Offices from Serbia and Kyrgyzstan.

National Erasmus+ Office in Moldova, strategic partner of the Gala of Native Students of the Republic of Moldova

National Erasmus+ Office in Moldova has become strategic partner of the Gala of Native Students of the Republic of Moldova, 2018 Edition, organised on December 27, 2018, at the National Theatre Eugene Ionesco, in Chisinau.

The event aims to identify, award and promote Moldovan students, who are pursuing a degree abroad and have outstanding achievements.

Being a partner of the event, National Erasmus+ Office in Moldova has been involved at the evaluation of the applications for the following categories: Erasmus mobility, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral degrees.

The #Erasmus category has been included by the organisers for the first time.



Cluster meeting “Erasmus + in Higher Education: a Step beyond Mobility”

As a result of a joint initiative of National Erasmus+ Agency of Romania and National Erasmus+ Office in Moldova a joint cluster meeting “Erasmus + in Higher Education: a Step beyond Mobility” aiming at valorisation of joint Erasmus+ projects involving Romania and Republic of Moldova in order to use these synergies and to reinforce the internationalisation of participating HEIs, has been organised in Bucharest, Romania in October 2018.

The event allowed to participants to exchange their experience and develop new partnerships beyond already existing type of collaboration in the International Credit Mobility (KA107), Capacity Building in Higher Education and Jean Monnet projects. The participants from Moldovan HEIs have learned more from their Romanian colleagues about existing opportunities to collaborate in the frame of Strategic Partnerships, Knowledge Alliances etc., in which they still have not experience.



The event gathered representatives of 60 universities from Romania and 22 from the Republic of Moldova (rectors, vice-rectors for international relations or other portfolios, Erasmus+ institutional coordinators, Directors of the International Relations Departments, representatives of Erasmus+ Bureaus, as well as university staff responsible for the management of Erasmus+ projects etc.).

The participation at the conference of the representatives of national public authorities, institutions and NGOs, namely the Romanian Presidential Administration, the Ministry of National Education of Romania, the Ministry of Education, Culture and Research of the Republic of Moldova, the National Council of Rectors from Romania, the Executive Agency for Financing Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation, Romania, the National Centre for the Recognition and Equivalence of Diplomas (CNRED), the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) Romania and the National Alliance of Student Organizations in Romania reinforced the impact of the event widely.



Monitoring sessions

In 2018, **19 monitoring visits** have been organised.

For 2019, other **17 monitoring sessions** are planned to be realised by NEO Moldova on behalf of EACEA



International Academic Mobility management improvement - a boost for HEIs Internationalisation

A Technical Assistance Mission on the International Academic Mobility management improvement and its role in boosting HEIs Internationalisation, has been organised by the National Erasmus+ Office with the support of the SPHERE (Support and Promotion for Higher Education Reform Experts), EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova, Ministry of Education, Culture, and Research. The event was held at the State University of the Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemitanu”, on November 16, 2018.



The informative-applicative session has been moderated by Dr. Filippo Sartor, Head of the International Professional Projects and Cooperation Development at extra-European level Department, University of Bologna, Italy. The dialogue was focused on the importance of the international relations for the HEIs, organisation of the international academic mobilities in European and Moldovan HEIs, the role of the mobilities in the internationalisation of the education system and credits and marks recognition methodologies, being offered the example of some Italian, Spanish and French HEIs.



NEO Moldova: Upcoming national events

February, 2019	March, 2019	April, 2019	May 2019	June 2019
❖ <i>Technical Assistance Mission</i> “Improvement of academic professional competencies of university staff”	❖ <i>Monitoring Missions at CBHE projects</i>	❖ <i>Technical Assistance Mission “Explore new developments in ICT and e-learning, and their implications for innovation of teaching, research and learning”</i>	❖ <i>Participation at European Village and Europe Day events</i>	❖ <i>HEREs Seminar “Recognition: Implications for cross-border access to higher education and mobility” TBC</i>
❖ <i>Field Monitoring of the CBHE projects</i>		❖ <i>Field Monitoring of the CBHE & ICM projects</i>	❖ <i>Field Monitoring of the CBHE & ICM projects</i>	❖ <i>Field Monitoring of the CBHE & ICM projects</i>

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