



**PROJECT „TRANSFER OF GOOD PRACTICES WITHIN VOCATIONAL TRAININGS IN
SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS OF AGRICULTURAL SECTOR“ VOTRIS
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**Call: 2017 KA2 - Cooperation for Innovation and the Exchange of Good Practices;
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End of the project – January 1, 2019

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The project addresses the national and international needs of staff qualifications enhancement, expressed in European legislation as well as through the actions of Erasmus+ Programme. The main project goal is elevation of qualifications by improvement of knowledge, skills and competences of people in charge of organisation and execution of educational services within the agricultural sector. The group includes also people responsible for didactics aspects along with curricula authors and lecturers presenting educational materials. The target group of the project is not large in numbers, but activity of these people has a vast impact on the whole agricultural sector. Raising qualifications of employees engaged into realization of trainings, conferences or seminars effects in higher level of "products", which they provide. As the final result, the recipients of the educational services receive offer, which is better fitted to their needs and more suitable to their expectations. The successful transfer of educational know-how exemplified by good practices brings amelioration in trainings level, innovations in the substantive matters as well as the forms of the educational processes bring enhancement of qualifications of trainees, which is further reflected in standards of activities and projects undertaken by participants of educational services . The extended impact on economy, legislation, ecology and welfare enforces a constant care of increment within capabilities of institutions and people engaged in educational activities. The higher the qualifications of staff involved in the provision of educational services, the better trainings and higher levels of trainees and their impact on the wider environment. The second objective of the project is to establish the network for mutual contact of scientists and employees of engaged institutions. The network will provide smooth flow of information, ideas and inspirations between partners of the project as well as potential new members joining the multilateral teamwork. Additional value of the project are personal contacts, which are always the root of further successful cooperation.

Project goals: enhancing staff competence, skills and knowledge and establishing of the efficient and vibrant network.

Work packages:

WP1 - project management (Gantt chart - activity A1), all activities required for project coordination. Period of activity: whole project lifetime. Partner responsible: the leader (management of the entirety of the project) and partners (management of specific parts of the project).

WP2 - final elaboration and acceptance of the schedule of project activities. The preliminary version of the activities, which are mainly based on mutual visits and trainings leading to the transfer of good practices was elaborated before the official start of the project. The details in regards to terms and number of participants will be done within the realisation of the WP2. Partners responsible: the whole partnership.

WP3 - elaboration of the survey (Gantt chart - activity A2). This WP cover all activities of the whole partnership dedicated to creating, executing and concluding of the survey. The survey must be intended to pointing out best practices, but also threats and hazards accompanying educational services carried out by partners. The conclusions of the survey will show the examples of activities worth of transferring and bring answers to the vital issues linked with organisation, recruitment, management and financing of trainings.

Partners responsible: the whole partnership.

WP4 - creating of the network. This work package is dedicated for the tightening and strengthening multilateral cooperation between partners. This WP means all activities, which are not directly connected with realisation of the main project's subject - exchange of scientific ideas, building contacts database, planning common activities. Partners responsible: the whole partnership.

WP5 - organisation of study visits for proper project implementation. This WP covers all activities done for proper implementation of this part of the project, which is connected with visits in the partner's entities. Each partner is responsible for organisation of the visit in its country, preparation of institution's presentation of educational offer, undertaken activities, greatest successes in the field of transferring the knowledge. Partners responsible: the whole partnership.

There are planned two kinds of **meetings/travel activities**:

1. Dedicated to realisation of the project - covering management, administrative, financial matters. Since the project's lifetime is relatively short (14 months) there are only two meetings dedicated for issues directly linked with project implementation:

- the kick-off meeting - the beginning of the project, presentation of partners' institutions, distribution of tasks, management matters, financial provisions, issues of reporting and monitoring of project progress and quality level. Date: 1st month of the project.

Country: Poland. Partner responsible: NRIAP;

- the final meeting - summary of the project, presentation results of the survey, reporting matters. Date 13th or 14th month of the project. Country: Lithuania. Partner responsible: LSMU.

2. Dedicated to achievement of the project objectives: know-how transfer, enhancing the competence of people engaged in Erasmus+.

The schedule of meetings:

- study visit in Bulgaria date: 4th month of the project (March 2018),
- study visit in Czech, date: 5th month of the project (April 2018),
- study visit in Poland, date: 6th month of the project (May 2018),
- study visit in Lithuania, date: 10th month of the project (September 2018),
- study visit in Netherlands date: 11th month of the project (October 2018).

Participants:

INSTYTUT ZOOTECHNIKI PANSTWOWY INSTYTUT BADAWCZY, Krakow, Poland;

AGRO MANAGEMENT TOOLS WUR, Wageningen, Netherlands;

VYZKUMNY USTAV ZIVOCISNE VYROBY V.V.I. UHRINEVES, Praha, Czech Republic;

LIETUVOS SVEIKATOS MOKSLU UNIVERSITETAS, Kaunas/ Baisogala, LITHUANIA;

AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE, Stara Zagora, Bulgaria.

The results of the project, in the form of improving staff qualifications and creation of the network for cooperation between the participants are independent of material, financial factors. Long-term project impact and sustainability are dependent on the successful implementation of the educational know-how in the participating institutions and personal involvement of the project participants as well as the new members of the emerging network. In regards to qualifications it is important to implement good practices transferred from partners' institution. The helpful tool for the implementation will be the tangible result of the project - the survey collecting data, opinions, observed threats and risks or opportunities and strengths. The good practices indicated in the poll will remain available as the source of positive examples and inspirations.

It is intended, that the network, contacts and exchange of experience, which will take place during realisation of the project will be the beginning of further cooperation within Erasmus+ Programme (partnership for elaboration of manual, guideline or training materials dedicated to educational services) or other European grants addressed to scientific collaboration. In this context the mproject has preliminary character of the extended analysis of needs within the field of agriculture, science and education. It is planned, that the survey and its results will be available on the EPALE platform, which will ensure the long-term availability.