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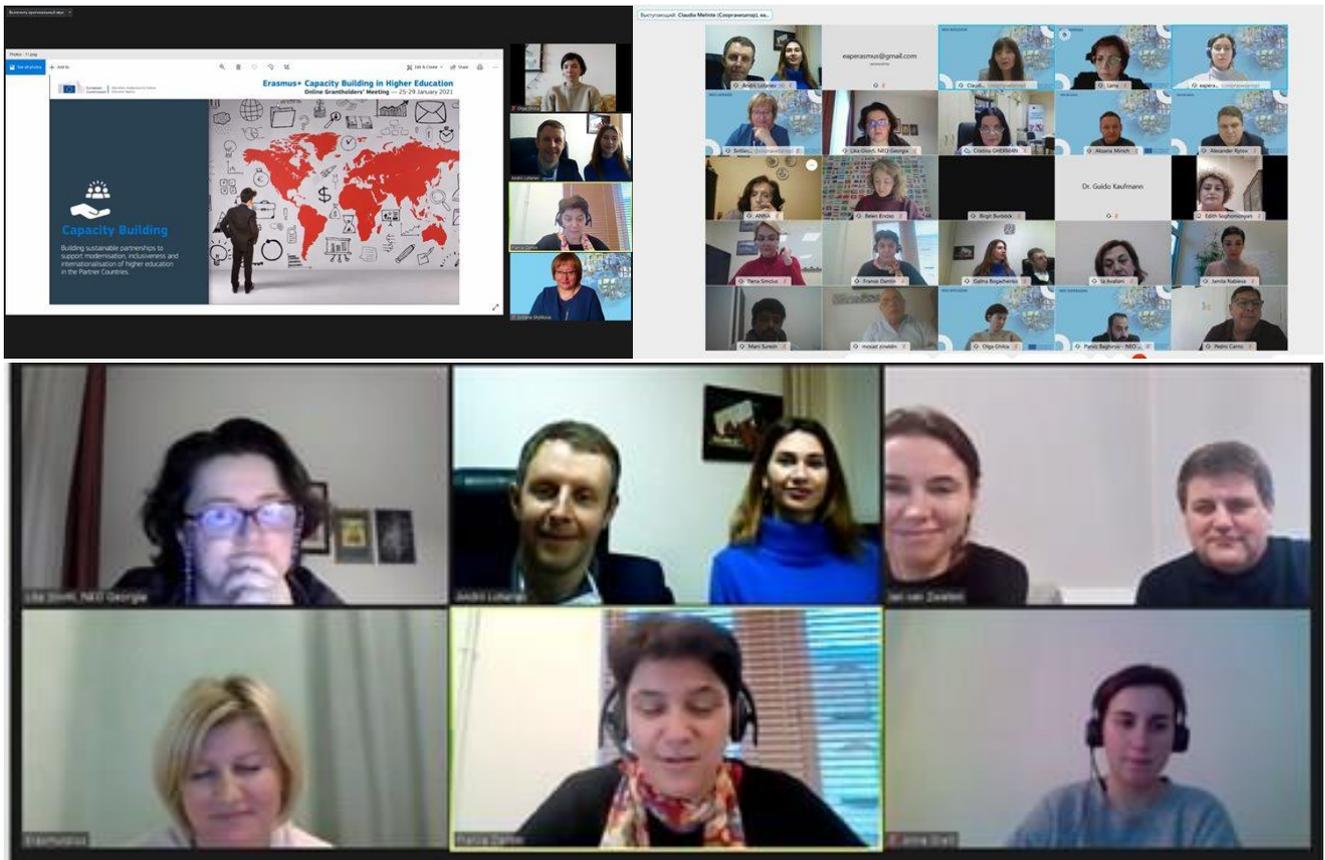
Erasmus+ Capacity Building of Higher Education
International Students Adaptation and Integration/ *INTERADIS*
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NLBA and KROK participated in the Grantholders meeting of the European Union Erasmus + Program



On January 25-29, 2021, series of presentations and workshops on the rules of implementation of CBHE projects, meetings of the project teams with Project Officers of the Education, Audiovisual and Culture EC Executive Agency (EACEA), with participation of representatives of the EU Directorate Generals, the EU Delegations in the partner countries, the Erasmus + National Offices and the National Erasmus + Agencies took place.

Issues of the current state and future perspectives for capacity building in higher education, the role and responsibilities of higher education institutions, the implementation, monitoring and financial management of CBHE projects, as well as project management during the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed on the first day of the event. On the second day, 7 regional workshops, as well as a plenary session on studying of the impact of CBHE projects, monitoring and assessment of the impact of EU development policy was discussed. During 3-5 days, e-Booths were presented. 12 parallel sections of networking and exchange of best practices took place.

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Meeting of the winning team of the 2020 project INTERADIS «International Students Adaptation and Integration» with EACEA Project Officers was carried out. Jan van Zwieten, rector of NLBA, Yvette Livius, Manager of NLBA, as well as Andrii Lotariiev, Head of Internaitonal Office at KROK, Halyna Bohachenko, Project Manager of KROK discussed the project issues.

The participants received recommendations, obtained information and practical skills on new rules and features of Erasmus + KA2: Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE) projects, as well as established new links with representatives of offices and agencies in order to further maintain a successful level of implementation of EU Erasmus + programs.

Presentation of INTERADIS at event of Erasmus Student Network



On February 19, 2020, an online training by Erasmus Student Network Kyiv (ESN Kyiv) took place. The event joined more than 60 representatives of teams from International Relations Departments and Universities' Student Council from all over Ukraine.

The training's aim was to get to know the possibility of creating a similar ESN community at the university, the peculiarities of ESN Kyiv's work with incoming foreign students to Ukrainian universities for exchanges, as well as to show tools and cases of implementing an effective Buddy System.



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Kateryna Zhdanova, Manager of the National Erasmus + Office in Ukraine, welcomed the participants emphasizing the importance of the ESN community for universities implementing Erasmus + international credit mobility programs and accepting foreign students for exchange. The speaker highlighted the issue of improving the image and attractiveness of Ukrainian free economic zones through the introduction of the Buddy System for incoming foreign students.

The event was attended by Andrii Lotariev, Head of International Office of «KROK» University, and Halyna Bohachenko, Project Manager of «KROK» University. The speakers presented the Erasmus + project INTERADIS «International Students Adaptation and Integration».

The practical part of the event was conducted by Yelyzaveta Pidopryhora, President of ESN Ukraine and Tetiana Fedorchuk, Co-Founder of ESN Ukraine, Liaison Officer for the Western Balkans and Eastern Neighborhood ESN. During their presentations, the speakers presented the mission, vision and main tasks within the activities and cooperation with ESN Kyiv.

During the practical part, the main elements and a platform for the implementation of Buddy System in free economic zones accepting foreign students for Erasmus + exchanges were presented, as well as the first steps for the development of the ESN community as volunteers in Ukrainian universities. The event was also attended by representatives of the newly created ESN Chernivtsi Candidate section, who shared their impressions on creating a community.

As a result of the event, all participants had the opportunity to meet with ESN Kyiv and learn how to create such a community at their university, what significant support they can provide to both incoming and outgoing foreign students under the EU Erasmus + Program.

Presentation of INTERADIS at Online Training Seminar “Fundraising. Writing Projects. Successful Cases”

On October 6-7, 2020, an online training seminar «FUNDRAISING. WRITING PROJECTS. SUCCESSFUL CASES» took place.

Andrii Lotariiev, Head of International Office of «KROK» University and Oleh Pasko, Head of Research Coordination Office of Sumy National Agrarian University, presented INTERADIS «International Students Adaptation and Integration».



The event was organized by the National Erasmus + Office in Ukraine, Sumy National Agrarian University and National Contact Point Horizon 2020. The educational opportunities of the EU programs Erasmus +, Horizon Europe, Green Deal and other opportunities for fundraising in the field of education were presented there.

Discussion of INTERADIS during Erasmus Days



On 16 October 2020 the Online Conference “From EANET to INTERADIS. Best Practices. Impact.”, dedicated to #ErasmusDays, was organized by KROK University.

At the meeting the partners of EANET, MEDIATS, INTERADIS, CLIMAN and COOPERA discussed the influence of Erasmus+ projects on their life and career. "Tempus project EANET was the best that happened to me during the last 10 years, besides family issues", "Once Erasmus - always Erasmus", "Friendship and Sustainability are the most important issues of the projects", "Thanks to EANET experience we received 4 more projects", "FRIENDSHIP - ДРУЖБА - FREUNDSCHAFT"- these were the key sayings.

Presentation of INTERADIS at V All-Ukrainian scientific-methodical conference «Modern aspects of organizational and methodological support of the environmental component of professional training»



On October 22, 2020, the V All-Ukrainian scientific-methodical conference «Modern aspects of organizational and methodological support of the environmental component of professional training» was held online on Zoom platform, dedicated to the 90th anniversary of Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University.

In general, the conference was attended by representatives of higher education institutions of Ukraine and the Republic of Belarus. Topics and reports presented at the conference focused on the peculiarities of the educational process in higher educational institutions in the conditions of the spread of COVID-19, the specifics of teaching and content of individual disciplines, as well as the impact of international cooperation and international projects to improve training of specialists in higher education institutions.

Halyna Bohachenko, Project Manager of International Office at «KROK» University, made a report on «Erasmus + Projects. Capacity building of higher education. Best practices and influence» and presented the projects of «KROK» University #EANET, #MEDIATS, #CLIMAN, #INTERADIS, #COOPERA, the way of their preparation and implementation.

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The following reports were also presented at the plenary session of the conference:

- ✓ Tatiana Buchyk, Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Finance of Palesie State University (Republic of Belarus), Associate Professor, the topic of the report – «Organization of the Educational Process at Palesie State University Under Special Epidemiological Conditions»;
- ✓ Nataliia Tsapko, Senior Researcher of the Laboratory of Wastewater and Industrial Water, Head of the Department of International Relations and Scientific and Technical Information of the Research Institution «Ukrainian Research Institute of Environmental Problems», Associate Professor, topic of the report – «Features of Accreditation of Educational and Scientific Programs for Applicants Third Level of Higher Education of Research Institutions and Institutions of Higher Education»;
- ✓ Nataliia Vnukova, Head of the Department of Ecology of Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University, Professor, the topic of the report – «Educational and Methodological Principles in the Structure of Modern National Environmental Education».

We truly thank the Department of Ecology of Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University for the invitation to participate in the conference and congratulate them on its 90th anniversary!



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ABOUT THE PROJECT

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Project duration: 15.11.2020 – 14.11.2023

Project Coordinator: Netherlands Business Academy, the Netherlands.

Project Co-Coordinator: KROK University, Ukraine.

Partners:

- Foggia University, Italy;
- Ostbayerische Technische Hochschule Amberg-Weiden, Germany;
- Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania;
- Yuriy Fedkovych Chernivtsi National University, Ukraine;
- Odessa National Polytechnical University, Ukraine;
- Mariupol State University, Ukraine;
- Sumy National Agrarian University, Ukraine;
- V.N.Karazin Kharkiv National University, Ukraine;
- Ivan Franko National University, Ukraine;
- National University of Water and Environmental Engineering, Ukraine;
- Ukrainian State Center for International Education of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine;
- Hultgren Nachhaltigkeitsberatung UG, Germany.

Wider objective:

- To integrate international students into Ukrainian and European educational space by the means of cultural, ethnic, social and academic assets.

Specific project objectives:

- To develop and implement Roadmap, that includes all aspects of international students integration and adaptation.
- To improve quality of training and administrative services, assure informational support of international students.
- To upgrade qualifications of administrative and academic staff.
- To create tolerant multicultural international environment at Ukrainian HEIs.
- To disseminate project results among Ukrainian HEIs.

Expected results:

- Developed Roadmap, that includes all aspects of international students integration.
- Trained staff.
- Increased quality of training and administrative services.
- Created more favourable environment for international students.
- Project results disseminated.

Project web-site: <https://interadiscoordinat.wixsite.com/interadis>

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