

Outline

- Erasmus+ activities in Uzbekistan
- Objectives of Cluster meeting
- Results of on-line survey on financial management
- Recommendations on efficient implementation of CBHE projects



What is Erasmus+?

- The EU's programme to support education, training youth and sport
- Funding for programmes, projects and scholarships
- Fosters EU-EU and EU-international cooperation



Cooperation opportunities for HEIs from PCs

- ✓ Capacity Building for Higher Education
- ✓ Credit mobility
- ✓ Joint Master Degrees
- ✓ Jean Monnet activities
- ✓ Other opportunities



Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE)

- Transnational cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships primarily between higher education institutions
- 2 or 3 years duration (Min. 500,000 Max. 1,000,000 €)
- Uzbekistan: 32 CBHE projects for 4 calls
- 48 local HEIs
- **104** HEIs from 27 EU MS
- 99 HEIs from 15 PC (MN, VN, NP, CN, IL and KS)



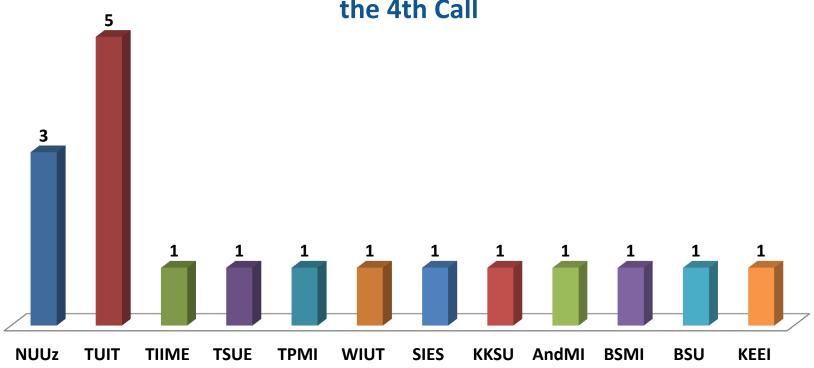
On-going projects (May 2019)

Uzbekistan: 21 CBHE projects within the last 3 calls

- **41** local HEIs, including 17 HEIs from Tashkent and 24 HEIs from 11 country regions
- 70 HEIs from 27 EU MS
- **87** HEIs from 15 Partner Countries



Erasmus+: Involvement of Uzbekistan HEIs in CBHE within the 4th Call



Total: 12 HEIs

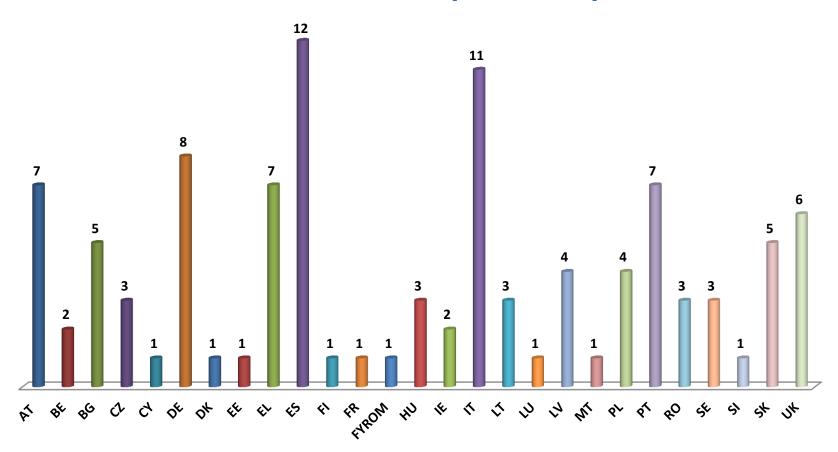
6 HEIS from Tashkent and 6 HEIs from 5 country regions





CBHE statistics

Number of EU universities involved in E+ CBHE projects within 4 Calls (2015-2018)



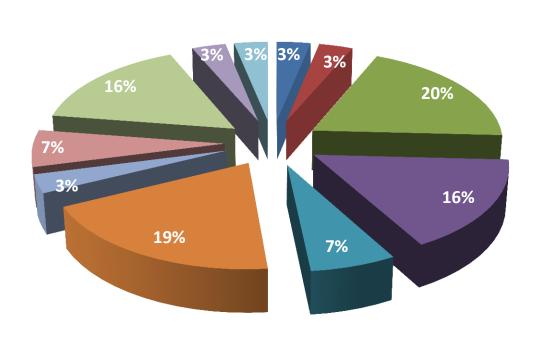
Total: 104 universities from 27 EU MSs in 32 CBHE projects





CBHE statistics

Erasmus+ CBHE projects by thematic fields (2015-2018)



- University- enterprise cooperation (1/3%)
- Knowledge triangle, innovation (1/3%)
- Engineering (6/20%)
- Health (5/16%)
- **■** Education (2/7%)
- QA process and mechanisms (6/20%)
- Qualification frameworks (1/3%)
- Support to VET (2/7%)
- Agriculture, Environment and Veterinary (5/16%)
- Mathematics and statistics (1/3%)
- Social and behavioural science (1/3%)

Total: 32 projects within 4 calls

Cluster meeting

- Cluster meeting considers meetings on particular thematic issues on Erasmus+ programme
- 2 cluster meetings are foreseen in 2019 on:
 - CBHE projects' financial management
 - Dissemination of project results





Considerable change in autumn 2017

- Financing through university bank account only (MHSSE letter of 16.12.2017)
- Participatory management
- Accountant is a project team member
- Specific role of IRD
- Coordinator`s role (one person one project)
- Detailed Partnership Agreement, including financial issues





On-line survey on financial management





Results of survey on financial issues of CHBE projects: 16 responses from 9 projects:

RENES: Development of Master Programme in Renewable Energy Sources and Sustainable

Environment

GREB: Modernization of the Curricula in sphere of smart building engineering - Green Building

DECIDE: Developing services for Individuals with Disabilities

TOPAS: From theoretical-oriented to practical education in agrarian studies

ITEM: Innovative teaching education in mathematics

UNICAC: University Cooperation Framework for Knowledge Transfer in Central Asia

CHILDCA: Improvement of children care teaching as a template for upgrading medical education in

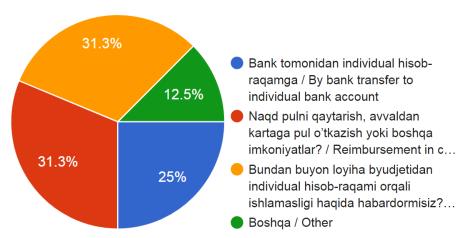
Central Asia

DSinGIS: Doctoral Studies in GeoInformation Sciences

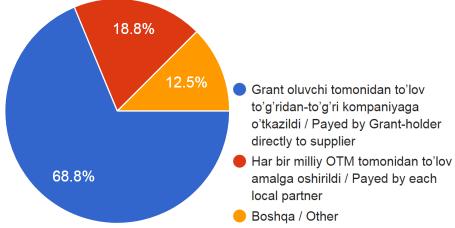
BUZNET: B-learning Uzbekistan Veterinary Network



Qanday qilib loyiha mablag'i olindi? / How the project budget is received?

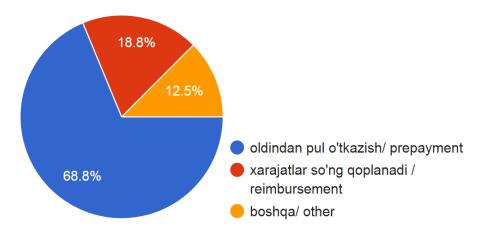


Jihozlarni olish uchun to'lov qanday amalga oshirilgan/oshirilishi kutilmoqda? / How is payment for equipment is done or going to be done?

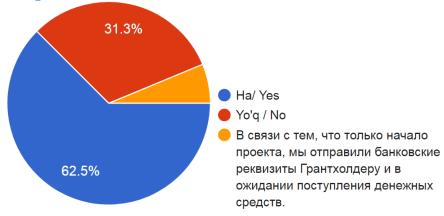




Loyiha doirasida moliyalashtirish masalasi qay tarzda kelishib olingan?/What approach has been agreed for funding within your project?

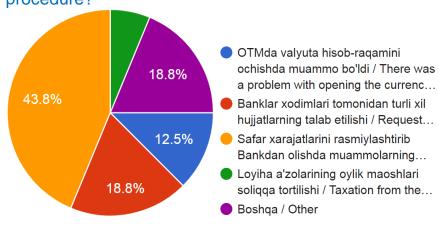


Siz OTMda ochilgan hisob-raqamdan loyihaning mablag'ini olishda foydalandingizmi? / Have you already used the university bank account for receiving project budget?

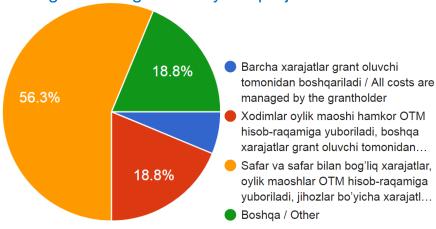




Loyihani amalga oshirishda moliyaviy tomondan qanday muammo/qiyinchiliklar paydo bo'ldi? / What kind of problems/difficulties have you faced in project funding procedure?



Loyiha koordinatori tomonidan moliyaviy boshqaruvi qay tarzda tashkillashtirilgan? / How is the financial management organised by the project coordinator?





Recommendations on CBHE projects' successful implementation

- Local ownership. Study of the project proposal with all annexes. Moreover, each local team and member should clarify their roles in the project
- Partnership agreement should be signed as soon as possible, but all points
 of the agreement should be revised by local teams after clarifying their exact
 tasks in the project
- Communication. Regular face-to-face meetings at local level should be foreseen and the outcomes reported to grant-holder and the EU project manager through meeting minutes
- **Dissemination activities** should be enhanced at local level in order to ensure sustainability of the project and its results
- The management, quality assurance, sustainability and exploitation strategy plans should be developed as soon as possible
- **Procurement of equipment** should be carried out as soon as possible, as the equipment should be used for project successful implementation.



Recommendations on CBHE projects' successful implementation

- Reporting. Reports on EU partners visits to Uzbekistan and trips to Europe within the project should be provided to the NCU and NEO by 1 date of each month.
- Websites of local partner HEIs should contain information on project team, objectives and link to the project website, and be regularly updated with project activities, organised events and other relevant information.
- **NEO publication.** At least one paper form each project to be provided to the NEO publication per annum.
- **Visa issues**. NEO provides support to local project partners in scheduling visa appointment in the Italian Embassy in Tashkent. Documents to be provided to NEO at least 3 weeks before the trip.
- Project events to be organised based on the NEO guidelines and stakeholders, including the Ministry of HSSE, EU Delegation, NCU and NEO to be officially invited at least 2 weeks before the event. Erasmus+ leaflets can be obtained from NEO.



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On-going Erasmus+ activities in Uzbekistan

NEO Publications

Annual NEO publications

(http://erasmusplus.uz/publication/NEO-publications/index.htm)

Annual ICM publication

http://erasmusplus.uz/images/shared/file/ICM^o 20publication 2017 latest%20version.pdf

Useful materials on ICM

http://erasmusplus.uz/competitions/Credit-Mobility/index.htm



On-going Erasmus+ activities in Uzbekistan

HERE Publications



http://www.erasmusplus.uz/publication/Publications-of-Experts/index.htm

Main activities in 2019

- Erasmus+ Week within European Days in May
- 2 Thematic Cluster Meetings
- Institutional Field monitoring visit to TUIT
- Erasmus+ Information Day in Tashkent in autumn
- ➤ International Credit Mobility Conference
- HEREs Annual Conference
- Education Fair Tashkent, Samarkand, Bukhara and Fergana
- ➤ Technical Assistance Missions (TAM) with EU experts
- Call for papers: Annual publications



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