



ODLEP: Meeting / Getting to Know the Partners

Partner Presentation: University of NIŠ

The University of Niš (UNI) was founded in 1965 as a state owned, HE institution. It is a medium-sized, mature and well-developed academic community, comprising 14 faculties: Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture, Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Electronic Engineering, Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Occupational Safety, Faculty of Philosophy, Faculty of Physical Culture, Faculty of Science and Mathematics, Faculty of Technology and Faculty of Education. The fourteenth - Faculty of Agriculture has recently been founded and it enrolled the first generation of students in the academic year 2018/2019. Most of those faculties have composite structure, i.e. various departments, divisions or majors, offering wide and diversified study and research opportunities at both undergraduate and graduate levels, including opportunities to obtain a PhD degree. From the University foundation until the academic year 2020/2021, 75.494 students have graduated from the University of Niš, 1.383 of them being foreign citizens, while 7.429 postgraduates acquired their magister degrees and 2.653 candidates, including 73 foreigners, defended their doctoral dissertations.

UNIVERSITY OF NIŠ MISSION:

integration into the European higher education area in accordance with the highest quality standards of education, research and professional work.

UNIVERSITY OF NIŠ VISION:

a modern and recognizable Serbian and European university that is comparable to foreign higher education institutions of the highest rank in terms of quality of study programs, teaching activities, research and professional work.

University of Niš was accredited on January 31st, 2009, for the first time, within the third cycle of accreditation of higher education institutions in Serbia, together with the Universities of Belgrade and Novi Sad. Five years later, another accreditation procedure was carried out, and the University of Niš received the Accreditation Decision on November 14th, 2014.

In conformity with the Law on Higher Education and by the decisions of the Commission for Accreditation and Quality Assurance of the Republic of Serbia, all the faculties of the University of Niš have been accredited.

UNI has significant experience in international programs such as Tempus, Erasmus, FP6 and FP7. Within the EM ECW program, the University of Niš entered the exchange of students and teaching staff in 2008 as a partner in the Project BASILEUS. In 2011, UNI became a consortium member of the Project EM2STEM. University of Niš also became partner of other Erasmus Mundus programmes, such as SIGMA, ERAWEB, EUROWEB, GREEN-TECH. Currently, the University is involved in the following programs: ERASMUS+, IPA, CEEPUS and HORIZON 2020.

Involvement and participation within ODLEP research project

ODLEP research project includes four main work packages. The University of NIŠ is participating throughout all the tasks of the ODLEP project.

As far as the second work package is concerned, University of NIŠ is participating in the task of the literature review in collaboration with the other partners who will search the situation in their countries. Furthermore, the University of NIŠ will collect the material and develop the knowledge repository in collaboration with the partners.

Work package four requires from University of NIŠ to assign at least one course to be conducted through the ODLEP platform/approach and gather feedback from students and instructors. Along with the other partners University of NIŠ will be identifying and recording best practices.