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OUTGOING FACULTY AND STUDENT MOBILITY



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WHAT IS ERASMUS+ International Credit Mobility project?

Within the Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility Program for Individuals (since 2014), opportunities are provided for students, staff and faculty members to undertake a learning and/or professional experience in one of the EU universities – partners of KIMEP University. Program is funded by European Commission.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF THE MOBILITY

- Improved competences, linked to professional profiles;
- broader understanding of practices, policies and systems in education, training or youth across countries;
- increased capacity to trigger changes in terms of modernization and international opening within educational organizations;
- greater understanding of interconnections between formal and non-formal education, vocational training and the labor market respectively;
- greater understanding and responsiveness to social, linguistic and cultural diversity..

PARTNERS with whom KIMEP University has implemented the project:

- University of Abertay, United Kingdom
- Franco-American School of Management, France
- University of Graz, Austria
- University of Koblenz-Landau, Germany
- University of Glasgow, United Kingdom
- University of Liechtenstein, Liechtenstein
- University of Lille, France
- University of the Basque Country, Spain
- Uppsala University, Sweden
- Middle East Technical University, Turkey
- National University of Public Service, Hungary
- Collegium Civitas, Poland
- University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
- University of Deusto, Spain
- University of Lodz, Poland
- University of Tartu, Finland
- Varna University of Management, Bulgaria
- University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain
- Tomas Bata University in Zlin, Czech Republic
- Humboldt University, Germany
- Lund University, Sweden
- Vidzeme University of Applied sciences, Poland
- Masaryk University, Czech Republic
- University of Iceland, Iceland
- Opole Technical University, Poland
- University of Agder, Norway



**Raushan Kanayeva, Director,
Corporate Development
Department (CDD)**

**Host University-Uppsala University,
Sweden**

The University of Uppsala organized the program well and effectively, I was fully satisfied. I got some practical skills and was able to share my knowledge in some fields. I liked the

organizing team, they were more than friendly, open and hospitable and tried to answer on all our questions. The host university planned cultural and social activity almost for every day of our staff training week. There were a get together reception, campus tour, tour to the city central library, visits of other university departments.

I learned a lot from the training, it opened my mind in general. I knew how career services and alumni affairs are organized in different universities from all other participants of the training. I build up a new professional network with these participants. I knew what research grant programs are offered by EU. I was glad that my experience and description of our activities and the university in general aroused a great interest from others.

**Maganat Shegebayev, assistant professor,
College of Humanities and Education**

Host University-University of the Basque Country, Spain.

My mobility coincided with the Erasmus training for staff from different university so I had a chance to meet representatives of many international universities. I also met with the university administrative and faculty members.

It was my yet another experience of working in an international setting through teaching students of another country and meeting fellow colleagues from the host university. Thanks to this mobility I was also able to extend my professional networking, learn more about how other universities function, visit KIMEP's another partner university in Spain, Deusto. And, of course, it was a great cultural and linguistic experience for me.

I would like to thank KIMEP University for this opportunity.



Aigul Rakhimbayeva, Coordinator, Recruitment and Admissions

Host University-University of Ljubljana, Slovenia



25 participants of training week were met and cared by friendly international office staff of the host university. All the workshops and events were professionally prepared and organized

for being involved in discussions and activities during the training, each of the member groups was given original souvenirs, brochures, instructions that were very helpful and nice.

The training week provided enough opportunities to exchange ideas and knowledge, practical experience in internationalizing the university not only of Ljubljana U but also other 17 universities of, for example, Australia, United Kingdom, Switzerland, etc. It's a great way for networking first of all. I was surprised to know that the need of gaining international experience by students may differ and depends that taught me to think globally and have strong arguments while recruiting students to KIMEP in terms of advising on international mobility opportunities.

Also during the training week we had a social event called Plečnik's Ljubljana, and had a trip to the neighborhood of Ljubljana and Bled Lake considered to be Alpine Fairy tale of Slovenia. All the events were impressive, informative, enjoyable, and unforgettable.



Gavkharkhon Mamadzhanova KIMEP Student

**Host University- Uppsala
University, Sweden**

Uppsala university is one of the best universities to go for exchange study. I enjoyed meeting new people, getting to know Swedish culture and traditions and

travelling in Sweden and Europe. All materials for studies are available in the libraries of the University and professors are always ready to help and explain in case if you have questions. The quality of service was good enough, everything was clear from the first day as they explained the most important things at welcoming session right after our arrival.

At Uppsala University there are about 2000 international students. Hence, events organized for international students are different from those events that we have at KIMEP. For example, first we had orientation week where we got to know 13 existing student nations in Uppsala and attended different events organized by nations. Moreover, there were International Gasque, Halloween Party, Lapland trip, Lucia Fika and etc. Some events are just for fun and to meet other international students, others show culture of Swedish people like Lucia Fika where we heard about history of Christmas celebration in Sweden and then had Lucia Fika which is part of their tradition.

As Sweden is located in the north, I would recommend to be prepared for the cold weather. Moreover, it is one of the Scandinavian countries meaning that it's much more expensive to live here rather than in Central Asian countries. Hence, I will say never compare the price!



Anna Margatova KIMEP Student

Host University- University of Glasgow

Huge amount of international students, everything was organized at a very high level, all the events were very interesting.

It is a life-changing experience when you face different cultures, different mentalities and find yourself totally immersed in an English-speaking environment!

For fellow KIMEP students planning to go for exchange program: Do not forget to travel! Edinburgh and London – must-go!!! We travelled some other cities of England – take a photo of everything!!!

-Apply for the visa as early as possible to be able to buy your travel tickets and book the accommodation as earlier as possible as well.

-Enjoy every second of your stay in Glasgow, the University is amazing.

-Add every new friend to Facebook – otherwise you would regret you didn't.

-Have a detailed budget plan for the whole period of your stay – do not spend too much at the beginning.

Aynura Aytmuratova KIMEP Student

Host University- University of Agder

In my host university there was a buddy system for international students and for local students as well. There is a global lounge, where you can always get a help for any practical questions, like getting a bus card, sim cards, shops and etc. The global lounge organizes cultural events, there is one organized in the beginning of semester "Global village", all students from different part of the world present their country and university, moreover buddies organize parties where exchange students present their countries in a fun or interactive way.

How would I describe the quality of service of the international office in the host university? -They are very professional, welcoming and always helpful.

Tips for KIMEP students planning to visit University of Agder:

1.Orientation week is not obligatory, but I would recommend to participate because you will get your university email account, student card, get information about Visa, visits to Police station for registration, IT and library usage, exams and course registrations and of course it is a good opportunity to get to know faculty and students (and some free food and goodies).



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