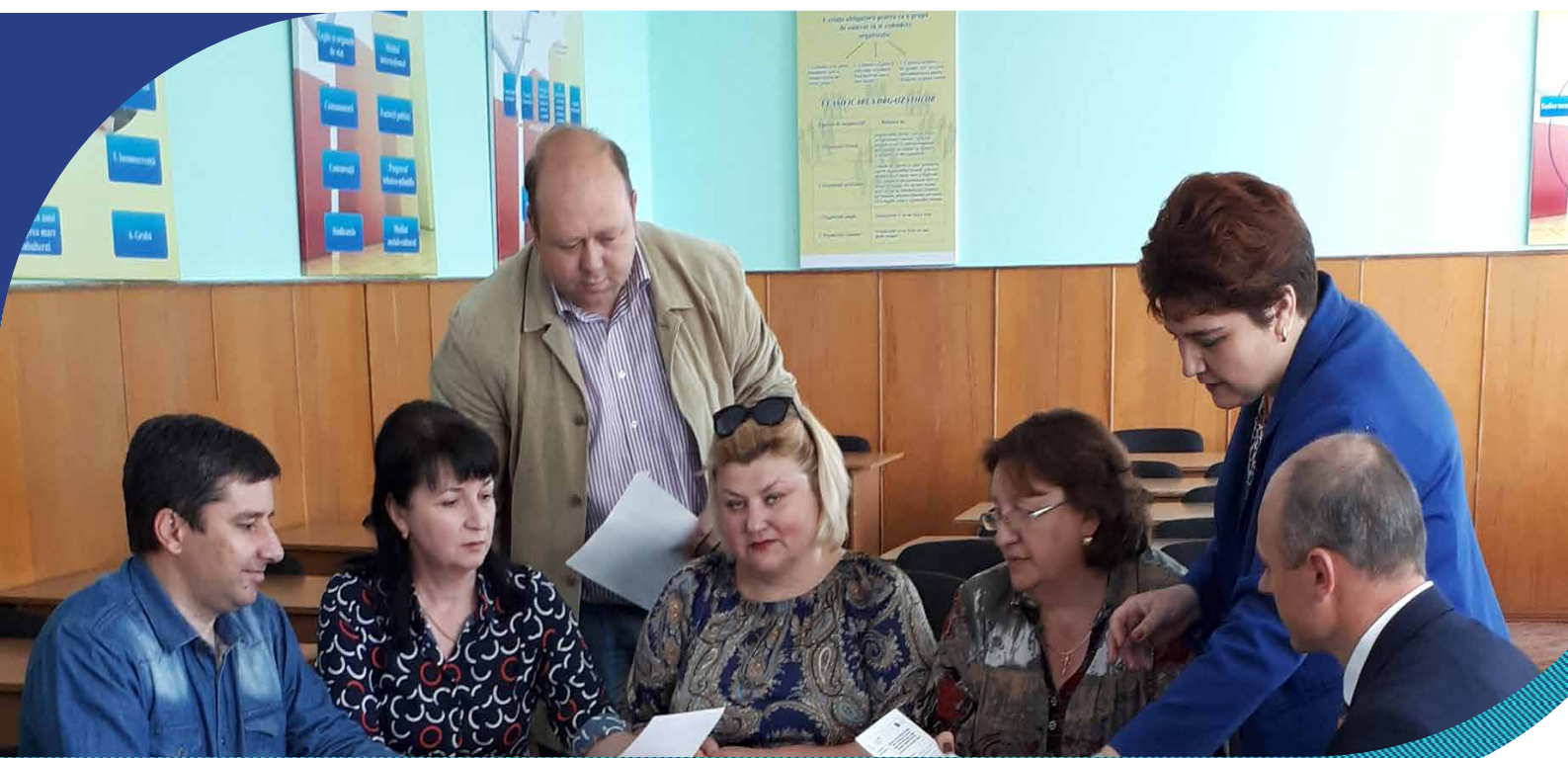


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RESTART – REINFORCE ENTREPRENEURIAL AND DIGITAL SKILLS OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS TO ENHANCE THE MODERNIZATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN MOLDOVA

Project Erasmus+ “ReSTART – *Reinforce entrepreneurial and digital skills of students and teachers to enhance the modernization of higher education in Moldova*” is co-financed by the European Commission through Erasmus+KA2 Program – Capacity Building in the Field of Higher Education, beginning with October, 15, 2017 for a three year period. The Project aims modernization of the master programme “*Business Administration in the AgriFood Sector*”.

The overall objective of the ReSTART project is to extend the benefits and enhance the impact of the entrepreneurial curriculum on students and scientific and teaching staff by harnessing the advanced experience in the field. In particular, six university courses will be upgraded at SAUM, 2 trainers training sessions being organized in Bucharest and Košice. Master students, teachers, administrative staff and representatives of the business environment and government entities will attend the project.

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BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT

95 Master students in Business Administration of the Agro-Food Sector will:

- improve knowledge in the field of entrepreneurship education;
- increase digital skills;
- increase readiness to make business plans correlated with real sector requirements.

6 curricula modernized in the Business Administration of the Agro-Food Sector will:

- increase the institutional capacity to implement modern pedagogical approaches to ICT-based practices correlated with real business needs.

22 representatives from businesses, professional associations, civil society will:

- have a better understanding of the need for entrepreneurial and digital knowledge;
- improve the awareness of the potential of entrepreneurial education to enhance the performance of local businesses;
- increasing capacities to facilitate improvements in the education and work sectors.

FOSTERING KNOWLEDGE TRIANGLE IN MOLDOVA

„TRIANGLE 2018”

In the period April 26-27, 2018, the representatives of SAUM participated in the 4th edition of the International Forum „Fostering Knowledge Triangle in Moldova /TRIANGLE-2018”, which was hosted by Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova.

Starting from the premise that Higher Education Institutions play a vital role in attracting talents, educating the labour force of the future and training the next generation of researchers, the Forum „TRIANGLE-2018” aimed at increasing the visibility of research performed by universities and fostering their impact on the development of research and innovation policies in the Republic of Moldova at national and international level. Particular attention was paid to identifying sources of funding for research and development activities and facilitating access to financial resources to develop innovative projects for SMEs in order to stimulate the innovative initiatives in Moldova as well as their internationalization.

The **ELEVATE** „Elevating the Internationalization of Higher Education in Moldova” Consortium Partners of the Erasmus + Program Capacity Building in Higher Education gathered within the framework of this Forum.

Separate sessions were devoted to the promotion of the Projects **ReSTART** „Reinforce entrepreneurial and digital skills of students and teachers to modernize higher education in MOLDOVA” and **SMART** „Fostering university enterprise cooperation and entrepreneurship of students through smart cafes – SMART”, which are implemented at SAUM in the period October 15, 2017 and October 15, 2020.

The Forum brought together outstanding personalities, the State Secretary of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Research, representatives of the EU Delegation to Moldova, the National Agency for Quality Assurance in Education and Research, business environment, academic staff as well as students, master and doctoral degree students from all over the country who are involved in research and development activities in various fields.



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INFORMATION SESSIONS

The Information Session of the „**ReSTART**” Project – „Reinforce entrepreneurial and digital skills of students and teachers to improve the modernization of higher education in MOLDOVA” (585353-EPP-1-2017-1-RO-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP) of the Erasmus + Capacity Building Program in Higher Education took place on the 3rd of May, 2018 at SAUM.

The project leader, **Ms. Aurelia LITVIN**, made a presentation to the participants on the project's launch and objectives emphasizing the impact of this project. Together with **Mr. Dragos CIMPOIES**, Ms. LITVIN presented the **RESULTS: WP1 DATA REPORT** on the best practices in EU Entrepreneurship Education.

The event was attended by the students and teachers from other study programmes as well as by the representatives of the SAUM International Relations Department and its administration.



On October 1st, 2018 was organized the second information session by the State Agrarian University of Moldova (P7_SAUM) within the Erasmus+ ReSTART Project (Reinforce entrepreneurial and digital skills of students and teachers to enhance the modernization of higher education in MOLDOVA, nr. 585353-EPP-1-2017-1-RO-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP). At the event were participated more than

40 persons and teachers from other master program: 37 master students and 6 teachers.

The main objective of the event was informing master students from other master programs about opportunities supported by the ReSTART project.

The present audience was informed about the modernization of the master programme "Business Administration in the Agri Food sector" by implementing modern teaching-learning methods, new pedagogical and methodological approaches using the tools of innovative digital learning that will enrich digital teaching through the active involvement of local businesses, professional associations, civil society and government entities.

THE FIRST TRENING SESSION OF THE TEACHING STAFF

Five teachers from the State Agrarian University of Moldova participated in the training program "Developing Digital and Entrepreneurial Skills for Teachers" from 22 to 25 October 2018.

The course organized by the Polytechnic University of Bucharest, as Project Coordinator, focused on subjects related to the application of modern teaching-learning methods, new pedagogical and methodological approaches using ICT tools, including MOODLE.



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VISIT OF TEACHERS IN PARTNERS' UNIVERSITIES

Between 5 and 8 November 2018, the Masters of “Business Administration in AgriFood Sector”, “Economics and Rural Development Policies”, “Agribusiness Marketing” had the opportunity to participate in two lessons held by teachers from two European universities.



Professor Gheorghe MILITARU, Polytechnic University of Bucharest, taught 2 themes focused on Management of Production and Promotion of Agro-Food Production and Professor Peter DŽUPKA, Technical University of Košice, Slovakia - at Strategic Management in Agro-Food Sector.

The lessons included both the theoretical and practical aspects: case studies and discussions.

The event was highly appreciated by the master students, mentioning the usefulness of organizing such meetings.



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