Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training

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Structure of presentation

• Daugavpils University
• Centre of Social Research of Institute of Humanities
• Doctoral Thesis Research
History of DU

- 1921 – Daugavpils Pedagogical Secondary School, later Teachers' Seminary
- 1923 – Daugavpils State Teachers' Institute
- 1952 – Daugavpils Pedagogical Institute
- 1993 – Daugavpils Pedagogical University
- 2001 – Daugavpils University
Mission of DU

Knowledge-based society forms a socioeconomic environment of Latvia and Daugavpils, and university must be a core promoter of the development. Both academic personnel and students should be keen for new knowledge, work hard for research, as well as to discover and actively pass on the acquired cognitions and results to the society. Therefore, DU motto is **Scientia Vinces** that means "Through knowledge you win". Our main goal is to become a modern scientific university, which educates not only students but the society in general!
Human resources

Students - ~ 2 500
Academic staff – 177, including:
Academic staff with doctoral degrees – 126 (71%)  
Academic support staff - 24
Faculties of Daugavpils University

• The Faculty of Humanities
• The Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
• The Faculty of Social Sciences
• The Faculty of Education and Management
• The Faculty of Music and Arts
## Study Programmes

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Realised projects of DU 2004-2009, total number 159 (9,2 million EUR)
Realised projects of DU 2010-2013, total number 66 (35.6 million EUR)

- Lifelong Learning Programmes (COMENIUS, GRUNDTVIG, ERASMUS; 3 EC Cost Actions; 3 Other National; 4 Other International; 5
- Latvian Council of Science; 7 Ministry of Education and Science of Latvia; 1 National Research Programm of Latvia; 1
- Culture Capital Foundation of Latvia; 5
- LIFE+; 1
- EC 7th Framework Programm; 1
- European Regional Development Fund; 6
- European Social Fund; 22
- EEA Mechanism and Norwegian financial Mechanism; 3 INTERREG / Cross Border Cooperation Programmes; 5
The most significant project – European Regional Development Fund project “Improvement of the Study Programs Quality at Daugavpils University and Environment Accessibility”


Outcomes of the project:
• construction of the laboratory building for the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Engineering;
• Renovation of the premises and training base “Ilgas” and their accessibility for people with special needs;
• Modernization of the equipment, instruments, devices and information technologies.

Project costs: total project costs comprises 23,78 million EUR
• ERDF financing - 20,22 million EUR (85%),
• State budget – 1,7 million EUR (7,17%)
• DU co-financing – 1,86 million EUR (7,83%)
## Research Institutes and Centres of DU

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The Institute of Social Research (ISR) of the Faculty of Social Sciences of Daugavpils University was established in **2003** on the basis of the laboratory of social research.

The ISR was **registered in the Register of Scientific Institutions** on June 30, **2009** (resolution Nr.06.1-02.1/20, Registration No.321137).

Since 1st December, 2014 The ISR is **The Centre of social research** – the unit of Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences.
Structure of Centre of Social Research

- Centre of Social Research
  - Centre of economic projects
  - Laboratory of sociological research
  - Laboratory of law research
  - Center of psychological research
  - Publishing division
### Research directions

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Staff in 2016

78% with doctor’s degree, 22% doctoral students

Professor – 1
Senior researchers – 2
Researchers – 6
Technical personal - 1
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Annual International Scientific Conference “Social Sciences for Regional Development”

Information: ikgadeja.konference@du.lv
The Doctoral Thesis
«The Investment Climate in Latvia, Lithuania, Belarus Cross Border Regions»
Survey of the representatives of small and medium-sized business in the cross-border regions in Latvia, Lithuania and Belarus

How you assess constituents of investment potential in your region?
- Production potential
- Labour potential
- Consumption potential
- Infrastructure potential
- Financial potential
- Institutional potential
- Innovation potential
- Natural-resource potential
- Tourism potential

Assess, please, the degree of investment risks for entrepreneurs in your region:
- Legislative risks
- Political risks
- Social risks
- Economic risks
- Ecological risks
- Criminal risk
- Financial risks
Assessment of labour potential in the region (1- low potencial, 10 – high potencial)

Source: the authors’ calculations on the basis of the data obtained by the enterprises’ survey in 2014 within the project “The Establishment of the United Entrepreneurship Support and Networking System for the Sustainable Latvia, Lithuania and Belarus Cross Border Cooperation” (B2B) funded by the Latvia-Lithuania-Belarus cross border cooperation programme “European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument 2007-2013”
Assessment of investment potential and investment risks in the region (investment potential: 1- low potential, 10 – high potential; investment risks: 1- high risk, 10 – low risk)

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Tipology of Latvia, Lithuania, Belarus Cross Border Regions According to the Investment Climate
Latvia, Lithuania and Belarus cross border regions have **common strengths:**

- Favourable geographic location between western and eastern markets;
- Competitive advantage due to relatively low cost of labour;
- Amount of universities and research institutes;
- Well-developed network of institutions of secondary and vocational education;
- Developed basic infrastructure of commercial enterprises
Common opportunities which can be used in cross-border cooperation:

- Development of cross border employment;
- Enhancement of relations in the sphere of research, development and innovations between universities and commercial enterprises;
- Use of the EU infrastructure financing and increase in potential.

First Call for Proposals will be launched in the middle of 2016.

www.eni-cbc.eu/llb
1. Promotion of social inclusion and fight against poverty (young and pre-retirement age people, unemployment)
2. Support to local and regional good governance (environmental risks, such as air and transboundary water pollution)
3. Promotion of local culture and preservation of historical heritage
4. Promotion of border management and border security
Thank you for attention!