

Project Title: Promoting Internationalization of HEIs in Eastern Neighborhood Countries through Cultural and Structural Adaptations

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Project goals

Project PICASA will promote recognition of Eastern Neighboring Area HE systems-Armenian, Georgia, Belarus and Ukraine - through development and integration of internationalization dimensions into structural and cultural components of HEIs management.

Specific Objectives

-) Integration of international dimension into the teaching, learning and research functions of universities through developing and implementing respective policies and procedures;
-) Development of internationalization elements for operationalization of curricula, scholar and student exchange and technical cooperation of the universities;
-) Identification and development of new skills, attitudes and knowledge in students, faculty and staff to promote internationalization;
-) Development of ethos and culture that values and supports intercultural and international perspectives, initiatives and their quality assurance (MINT approach).

The principle outcomes and outputs:

-) Trained staff and revised functions of IROs that become building blocks of the ethos and culture supporting international perspectives

-) HEI-wide policies and procedures for internalization
-) Software for the database necessary for internationalization
-) Academic programmes with internationalization dimensions
-) Approaches to research internationalization: scholarly collaboration, study abroad, student and staff mobility
-) New approaches to curricula internationalization
-) Quality assurance of internationalization (the MINT approach)
-) Internationalization policy document renewal

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