

## Project PRINTeL

### “Change in Classroom: Promoting Innovative Teaching & Learning to Enhance Student Learning Experience in Eastern Partnership Countries”

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Project PRINTeL - “Change in Classroom: Promoting Innovative Teaching & Learning to Enhance Student Learning Experience in Eastern Partnership Countries” – aims at enhancing quality of teaching and learning at partner country (PC) universities in Armenia, Georgia and Belarus.

#### **Wider objectives**

- Enhancing student learning experience in Armenia, Georgia and Belarus by promoting development and innovation in teaching and learning (T&L), supporting integration of technology and research, as well as disseminating good practice;
- Modernising higher education in Armenia, Georgia and Belarus in line with the Bologna agenda and establishing cooperation in education and training between partner and EU countries by promoting virtual mobility of teachers and students, and enhancing lifelong learning capabilities.

#### **Specific objectives:**

- To strengthen Teaching Staff Development Centres (TSDC) in the PC universities by enhancing capacities of staff and trainers, modernizing infrastructure and introducing innovative teacher training and academic leadership programmes;
- To build up capacities of the partner universities’ teaching staff by developing their innovative and technology-enhanced teaching and learning (T&L) skills and abilities of competency- and research-based teaching;
- To establish a Virtual Academy of Teaching and Learning (VATL) as an international community of teachers, staff and students interested in using and sharing Open Educational Resources (OER) for the improvement of technology-enhanced T&L;
- To promote greater awareness on the types and methods of innovative and technology-enhanced T&L and to disseminate best practices within and between universities in the partner and EU countries.



### **Methodology:**

- Conducting trainings and workshops for a wide range of staff and teachers in the project PC universities;
- Adopting new innovative T&L practices in the project PC universities;
- Establishing a common virtual platform for creating, using and sharing OERs;
- Organizing study visits, information seminars and dissemination conferences in PCs;
- Disseminating the project results and materials.

Herewith, exchange and transfer of knowledge, expertise, know-how and good practice between EU and PC universities is a vital point for attainment of the project objectives.

### **Expected results:**

- 30 staff and 100 trainers trained on innovative T&L methods and technology-enhanced instruction;
- 28 technology-enhanced teacher training classrooms, 9 multimedia OER content building studios and 5 new teacher training courses;
- Over 500 trained university teachers who are no more just “lecturers” but “designers of the learning methods and environments”;
- Virtual Academy of Teaching & Learning (VATL) - an interactive professional development, mutual learning and virtual mobility platform of teachers to promote innovative T&L practices;
- 6 virtual communities of teaching practice, an annual Virtual Forum and institutional award programmes promoting awareness on innovative pedagogy and excellence in T&L;
- Disseminated electronic newsletters, booklets, VATL Manual, Good Practice Teacher Handbook and training kits on innovative T&L.

### **Beneficiaries and target groups:**

Project will have an impact on project PC universities and beyond on institutional, national and regional levels.

- Universities as a whole;
- Students (PC universities and beyond);
- Academic staff (PC universities and beyond);
- Administrative staff and the leadership (PC universities, including TSDCs personnel, librarians, QA officers, deans, vice-rectors);
- Other stakeholders, social and economic partners (HE decision-makers, professional associations, high-schools, NGOs, key employers, etc.).



**Duration:**

3 years – 15 October 2017 - 14 October 2020

**PRINTeL consortium:**

Project consortium includes 15 institutions. Among them are 3 universities per PC from Armenia, Georgia and Belarus, and one NGO from Armenia and 5 universities from EU countries.

**Partner Country institutions**

**Armenia**



P1 [Yerevan State University \(YSU\)](#) – Project Coordinator



P2 [National Polytechnic University of Armenia \(NPUA\)](#)



P3 [Vanadzor State University after H. Tumanyan \(VSU\)](#)

**Georgia**



P4 [Iliia State University \(ISU\)](#) – Local Coordinator



P5 [Georgian Technical University \(GTU\)](#)



P6 [Iakob Gogebashvili Telavi State University \(TeSaU\)](#)




## Belarus

P7  BELARUSIAN STATE UNIVERSITY [Belarusian State University \(BSU\)](#) - Local Coordinator

P8  БрГТУ [Brest State Technical University \(BrSTU\)](#)

P9  МСМХЛ [Yanka Kupala State University of Grodno \(YKSUG\)](#)


## Non-academic partner

P10  National Center for Strategic Research in Higher Education [National Center for Strategic Research in Higher Education \(NCSRHE\), Armenia](#)

## EU partner institutions

P11  KU LEUVEN [Katholieke Universiteit Leuven \(KU Leuven\), Belgium](#)

P12  UNIVERSITAT DE BARCELONA [Universitat de Barcelona \(UB\), Spain](#)

P13  U.PORTO [Universidade do Porto \(U.PORTO\), Portugal](#)

P14  Li.U LINKÖPING UNIVERSITY [Linköpings Universitet \(LiU\), Sweden](#)

P15  FH JOANNEUM University of Applied Sciences [FH Joanneum Gesellschaft mbH \(FHJ\), Austria](#)

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