

D**Erasmus Policy Statement (Overall Strategy)*****D. Erasmus Policy Statement (Overall Strategy)***

The Institution agrees to publish this overall strategy (all three parts) on its website within one month after the signature of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education by the European Commission.

Please describe your institution's international (EU and non-EU) strategy. In your description please explain a) how you choose your partners, b) in which geographical area(s) and c) the most important objectives and target groups of your mobility activities (with regard to staff and students in first, second and third cycles, including study and training, and short cycles). If applicable, also explain how your institution participates in the development of double/multiple/joint degrees. (max. 5000 characters)

Original language [EN]

LCCLAC aims to achieve and sustain excellence in every area of its teaching and research. One of the objectives of its Development strategy is to encourage changes in course structure that would allow increase staff and student mobility. It aims actively implement the LCCLAC international network expansion in order to build internationally integrated curriculum offerings leading to development opportunities not only for LCCLAC students, but also to admit of foreign students. It aims to improve the interdisciplinary nature of the curriculum and the capability to respond in a flexible and pragmatic approach to the Latvian national and international cultural policies and the changing market needs targeting excellence in teaching and learning and employability of graduates.

LCCLAC study process alongside traditional study methods aims to emphasize innovative methods.

LCCLAC has some well-established Erasmus student mobility programmes that have brought benefit to participating students and staff, but LCCLAC intends to support the extension of Erasmus exchanges to new subject areas in order to encourage the development of new links and the internationalization of its programmes.

LCCLAC partners are selected by focusing on offered study and research program eligibility as well as to possibility develop innovative skills and obtain good practice from the partnership.

Within study implementation process priority to strengthen partnership with Scandinavia, Central Europe and the neighboring countries, however, the choice of setting up partnerships being considered individually, regardless of regional priorities, considering best development opportunities for our students and staff, our first cycle programme including study and training.

Our challenge to expand the network and the internationalization by offering first cycle programmes not only the EU but also in non-EU partners as we have experienced good cooperation practices with EU neighbor countries, USA and Asia.

Another challenge is to explore the possibilities and our opportunity to take part in joint programmes as a means to deepen and intensify existing collaboration to next level.

If applicable, please describe your institution's strategy for the organisation and implementation of international (EU and non-EU) cooperation projects in teaching and training in relation to projects implemented under the Programme. (max. 2000 characters)

Original language [EN]

LCCLAC development of the internationalization strategy is intended to provide both the strengthening and expanding of international relations focusing on quality and accessibility of mobility for all students and staff, and implement the offered teaching and training cooperation projects under the Programme.

LCCLAC expertise in educational and cultural processes in Latvia and Baltic region, as well as appropriate manager and researcher/lecturer staff enabling active participation in and coordination of many EU and non-EU international projects.

LCCLAC International Relation and Development department is responsible for strengthen, exploring partnership and project implementation aimed to:

- Development and implementation of innovations in culture management sector
- Future perspectives of creative industries
- Creative solutions for bringing education to remote areas
- Quality management and operational effectiveness issues
- Co-operation with labor market and line authorities

Please explain the expected impact of your participation in the Programme on the modernisation of your institution (for each of the 5 priorities of the Modernisation Agenda*) in terms of the policy objectives you intend to achieve. (max. 3000 characters)

Original language [EN]

LCCLAC is one of the most experienced and rich in traditions colleges in Latvia, educates internationally competent cultural experts with labor market relevant transferable skills.

LCCLAC already carried out substantial curricular reforms according to the principles of the Bologna process, but still under the Programme LCCLAC will improve the curriculum development further, in terms of structures, systems (module system) and content, in cooperation with its EU and non-EU partners. Implementing best international practices, the quality of offered education programmes and teaching practices of LCCLAC increase as well as qualification of staff mobility participants and the college overall.

Under the Programme and LCCLAC internationalization condition and developing innovative and flexible learning environments is a particular area of interest for new partnerships, with the aim of enabling different groups of learners to proceed in their studies in adaptable manner including adult learning.

In order to establish closer contacts with the economic sector, all of the offered programmes are created involving employers and industry experts. Such collaboration is aimed to target the excellence in vocational teaching, learning and employability of college graduates. Under the Programme education-business collaboration will be raised to international level.

Also LCCLAC has participated in decision making issues of culture education in national level. The international collaboration and best practices under the Programme will result to excellence in education decision making and governance in college, national and international level.

* COM (2011) 567 (<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=COM:2011:0567:FIN:EN:PDF>)

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Endorsement of the application

I, the undersigned, legal representative of the applicant institution,

certify that the information contained in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. All Programme activities will be implemented on the basis of written agreements with the relevant authorities of the partner institutions;

agree to the content of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) application outlined above and commit my institution to respect and observe these obligations;

agree to the publication of the Erasmus Policy Statement by the European Commission

Place: Riga

Name: Sandra Plota

Date (dd/mm/yyyy): 15/05/2013

I have read and accept the Privacy statement



Original signature of the legal representative of the Institution (as identified in section A.2 above)

Original stamp or seal of the Institution

