



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

**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**

B&B College of Sustainable Development educates students in the field of Environmental protection. We started with the programme in academic year 2014/15. In the future we will accredit some new programmes, currently, we are developing a programme for Logistics processes in the supply chain. Our focus is also on the implementation of the postgraduate study.

These two fields are developing very rapidly and there is a need for new knowledge and competencies and new innovative approaches. Our aim is to gain the Erasmus certification to participate in the teaching of staff and students in international mobility programmes.

The main strategic principle of our institution is to increase professional, social and intercultural skills and employability of students and teaching staff. This is the cornerstone of the internationalization and modernization of education in B&B College of Sustainable Development. Erasmus can help to achieve these strategic goals through the exchange of students and teaching staff in the mobility programme and in international projects.

Additionally, our goal is to stimulate inter-cultural dialogue, recognition of other cultures and learning of foreign languages and knowing people from the international environment. These activities can enable our capabilities to adapt to continuous changes and to act responsibly and actively as EU citizens.

With the exchange of knowledge, and skills and with the active implementation of these assets in the professional work, new innovative approaches can emerge. Our goal is to improve the scale and the quality of cooperation with other higher institutions and organizations in the EU. We are convinced that new knowledge and skills will contribute to their capacities and potentials in the labor market at home and abroad. The Erasmus programme will enable quality education in the international environment. International cooperation of B&B will give mobile participants comparable knowledge, competencies, skills, and experiences in their professional field that can be used in other EU institutions, and companies.

As the Erasmus document will be published in the school's website and ESP statement enabling the students and teaching staff to have instant access to it. The document will contain principles and rules of conduct signed by our institution. All activities from the Erasmus programme will be continuously posted on the school's website and the coordinator will continuously present them to the students and staff.

A lot of effort will be made in the promoting and preserving of human rights. This principle will be considered in the process of selection of the mobility candidates, especially the non-discrimination principle. All candidates will be selected according to the equality principle.



The Higher education programme, which is executed at B&B is constructed according to Bologna standards and evaluated through the ECTS system, which allows for transparency and EU comparability of higher programmes. Before the students enter the mobility programme we will compare the contents, goals, and competencies in our catalogs of competences with the contents, goals, and competencies of the partner institution which is included in the mobility programme. All learning activities of the students will be evaluated in the mobility programme according to the ECTS system and indexed. Students will acquire all information about a programme and about the organization and the conditions of the education programme and courses and of the possibilities for personal insurance and lodging. Students will be provided with all necessary contacts in the incoming country. Our internet site will publish all information about our high school programme, curricula, credit evaluation in the modules and other information regarding mobility.

Lodging, mentors, and a coordinator will be assigned to foreign students who will follow their progress and consult them about the mobility programme. The Coordinator and mentors will help them to find new contacts and help them to integrate into the new social and working environment. The Coordinator will help foreign students to learn the basics of communication in the Slovene language. There will be no tuition fees for foreign students.

The Management of the institution supports and enables the mobility of lecturers and administrative staff and the exchange of experiences and principles of good practices with foreign professionals and lecturers and the learning and upgrading of the language skills for their professional and personal development.

B&B College of Sustainable Development will choose its partners in the mobility programme according to the professional field covered by its educational programmes.

We will attend international conferences in order to meet partners via, Cmiepius programme and through personal, business, and joint projects contacts of our teaching staff. B&B College of Sustainable Development will attempt to find partners from EU countries. With higher education institutions in these countries, we will try to develop programmes with joint-degrees.

**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)**

The strategy of B&B College of Sustainable Development for the organization and implementation of international (EU and non-EU) cooperation projects in teaching and training in relation to projects implemented under the Programme will be to:

- Cooperate to achieve sustainable and balanced outcomes for all the participating partners,
- Set cooperation goals,
- Clarify the role in the project and expected results,



- Develop B&B's modernization and internationalization strategy,
- Lead-out specific needs analysis,
- Support students and staff participation in the project by:
  - o Allocating the resources (time, finances, administrative back-up, study programme accreditation procedures, to modify the study programme).

The visibility of the project will be achieved by allocating space on the website for dissemination and exploitation of project results:

- via the Internet, presentations, meetings, posters, website, social media to build awareness within the academic community and beyond,
- through funding possibilities,
- via academic journals, scientific meetings,
- by being monitored by the National Agency (visits, HEI reporting, participants reports).

The project will become an important aspect of professional development of the staff and of the modernization of B&B College of Sustainable Development and a key component in staff evaluation. The implementation of the outcomes of a project will become a long-term strategy.

**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)**

The expected impacts of participation in the Programme on the modernization of B&B College of Sustainable Development are in the area of innovation and research, which play a crucial role in the personal development of students and teaching staff. Students and teachers will have the opportunity to participate in bilateral and EU projects with other students in EU and Non-EU partner institutions. This participation will result in research skills that are tested in an international environment and could be used in business and other organizations in the EU.

The modernization will increase the number of higher education graduates. Through the exchange of the students with partner institutions, many opportunities to improve the number of graduates will emerge. The mobility programme will create new opportunities to study at home and abroad and empower the students to graduate and to enroll in further education. Students will acquire additional skills through study or training abroad.

The improvement of the quality and relevance of teaching and researcher training will increase. From the mobility programme, new teaching methods and approaches will develop. Institutions



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will develop more attractive courses and many students will receive a relevant, better-quality degree and businesses will build a better-educated workforce – and benefit from more researches and innovations. The equipping of graduates of the B&B College of Sustainable Development with the knowledge and core transferable competencies they need to succeed in high-skill occupations will be higher.

The participation of the B&B College of Sustainable Development in the Programme will strengthen the link between education, research, and business and allow partners to learn from each other. Partners will become sources of greater innovation.

By participating in the Programme, B&B College of Sustainable Development will develop more creative governance and competencies for solving complex project and organizational problems. New funding mechanisms will be developed through the financial planning of joint projects and with the orientation to research projects. The providing and encouraging of cross-border co-operation will boost higher education performance, which will support the way towards excellence.

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