

International Peer Learning Activity: Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes

Tuesday, 14 May 2024, 09:30 –16:30

OeAD

Ebendorferstraße 7, 1010 Vienna

With the current generation of the Erasmus+ programme, the possibility of receiving funding and implementing Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes (BIPs) was introduced. BIPs offer a broad variety of possibilities for didactical innovation and ideally can also be useful to increase access to mobility for under-represented groups of students and to target topics that are highly relevant for today's societies and connected to the [priorities of Erasmus+ Programme](#). They do, however, also entail a great amount of administrative effort and require coordination within and between HEIs and present teachers with the challenge of teaching in the international classroom.

This international PLA focusses on facilitating HEI's exchange of good practice and about challenges in implementing Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes BIPs. Participants will have the opportunity to present the BIPs they implemented so far. In an interactive session they will discuss challenges in the implementation of BIPs, a session on administrative examples of good practice will provide further opportunities for peer learning.

In addition, the new "Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes. Basic Toolkit" will be presented, as well as results of a survey conducted among students who have completed in a BIP in the academic year 2022/23 on their experiences and perceptions of BIPs.

To ensure a broad variety of perspectives, the event is targeted both at staff of international offices as well as teachers/trainers that are engaged in implementing BIPs. Similarly, both HEIs who have already gained some experience in implementing BIPs and such who are currently planning their first BIP, have been invited. Participants from Austria, Croatia and the Netherlands will gather at the OeAD premises in Vienna (Ebendorferstraße 7, 1010 Vienna) to share their experiences and discuss ways to improve and enhance the implementation of BIPs.

The OeAD building is in the city centre of Vienna, close to a large number of public transport options and therefore better accessible via public transport than by private cars or taxis. We therefore strongly encourage traveling by public transport.

You can find information about how to get to us [here](#).

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Agenda

Monday, 13 May 2024

19:00 **Optional networking dinner for early arrivals**

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From 9:00 **Registration, welcome coffee and tea**

09:30 – 09:45 **Welcome**

GERHARD VOLZ, Head of Department for International Cooperation in HE, OeAD – Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation

STEPHAN DE PASQUALIN, Deputy Head of Department, Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF)

09:45 – 10:15 **Introduction and getting to know each other**

10:15 – 10:30 **Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes. Basic Toolkit – Presentation**

EVELIEN HACK, Policy Officer, NUFFIC

BEATE TREML, Project Coordinator, OeAD

10:30 – 11:15 **Students' experiences and perspectives on BIPs – survey results**

JULIA WARMUTH, Reporting and Trends, OeAD

11:15 – 11:45 **Coffee break**

11:45 – 12:30 **Marketplace of Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes**

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 – 14:30 **Peer learning session 1: World Café: Challenges in implementing BIPs**

Table 1: *Beneficiary Module and E+ administration*, Host: **MILOŠ MILUTINOVIĆ**, OeAD

Table 2: *Inclusion*, Host: **MARGIT DIRNBERGER**, OeAD

Table 3: *Organisation – internal challenges in HEIs*, Hosts: **ANNE MULDER**s, Nuffic and **JULIA WARMUTH**, OeAD

Table 4: *Organisation – challenges in cooperation with other HEIs and with students*, Host: **EVELIEN HACK**, Nuffic

14:30 – 14:50 **Coffee break**

14:50 – 15:15 **Presentations of the outcomes of the world café by table hosts**

15:15 – 16:15 **Peer learning session 2: Good organizational practices and experiences in implementing BIPs**

16:15 – 16:30 **Wrap-up and goodbye**

Chairs of the Event: **EVELIEN HACK**, Policy Officer, NUFFIC
 BEATE TREML, Project Coordinator, OeAD