

## Perspectives on Promoting L&T at the HEIs of the RA



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- The Education Development Strategy of the RA
- In alignment with the Education Development Strategy of the RA
- Promotion of change in T&L at YSU
- Perspectives from the Private HEIs
- Q&A



#### The Education Development Strategy of the RA signifies:

- datafication of all the aspects of the HE,
- quality assurance and accreditation (carried out by ANQA),
- development of the platforms for providing continuous education,
- competitiveness of the HEIs.



#### The HEIs strive for

- strengthening of the institutional autonomy,
- facilitation of a broadband review and evaluation of the delivery of education,
- dissemination of the evaluation outcomes,
- development and support of evidence-based culture among internal and external stakeholders of the HEI.



## *In alignment with the Education Development Strategy of the RA the HEIs*

- foster policies and practices in accordance with institutional mission, in line with the Armenian National Qualifications Framework (ANQF),
- develop academic programs aligned with the institution's mission, promoting mobility and internationalization,
- provide relevant student support services,
- promote innovative teaching,
- encourage continuous professional development of the staff,
- enhance the T&L resources and improve the learning environment,
- strengthen the external relations and availability of practices promoting internationalization of the institution,
- maintain an internal quality assurance system.



## Promoting greater change in T&L at YSU...

Launch of EU funded capacity building projects (e.g. ERASMUS+ PRINTeL project) aimed at enhancing quality of teaching and learning by:

- Strengthening of external ties and continuous collaboration with PC universities and EU partner institution,
- Providing technologically enhanced student learning experience by promoting development and innovation in T&L,
- Disseminating, monitoring good practice,
- Establishing a Virtual Academy of Teaching and Learning (VATL) as an international community of teachers, staff and students interested in using and sharing OER for the improvement of technology-enhanced T&L.



#### Promotion of T&L at YSU...

Sustainable dissemination of innovative L&T methods have ensured

- major attitudinal change among academia towards student-centrism, high-flex learning,
- acknowledgement of best practice (YSU Teaching Excellence Award),
- improvement of educators' digital skills,
- enhancement of the online/offline learning environment,
- exchange and transfer of expertise and good practice between EU and PC universities.





# *Perspectives from Private HEIs (*EURASIA International University, American University of Armenia) ...

- Promotion of student mobility and increase of the number of international students,
- Internationalization of research and promotion of international collaboration,
- Promotion of inclusion in student demographics, policies,
- Enhancement of students disciplinary knowledge and soft skill development
- Embedding of ethics and social responsibility into curricular and co-curricular offerings...

## Takeaways ...



- Sustainable dissemination of innovative L&T methods,
- Attitudinal change among academia towards student-centrism, high-flex learning,
- Improvement of educators' digital skills,
- Promotion of student mobility, inclusion and social responsibility,
- Development of students disciplinary knowledge and competences.





# Thank you for your attention