

Title of the project

EMIS – European universities international services in the Erasmus Mundus framework.

Duration: 2 years

Project description:

The different European University systems have had to bear important changes due to the adaptation to the Bologna Process. These changes have not only been structural but they have also meant deep changes in the existing policies and strategies of the different European universities. One of the most important advances has been the services universities provide, specially the ones for international students. From this moment on, and in the near future, the added value of the European universities will not only reside on their academic and research qualities, but also their capacity to receive/welcome a new type of student and visiting teacher, in constant mobility, and coming from many different origins. Therefore, universities have to go a step ahead, and each one is doing it in its own way, because of the changes and the new needs, like the existing new Erasmus Mundus programmes.

The aim of this project is to define common standards of the services for students, teachers and international staff, for Europeans and non Europeans, that are valid and which might serve as a guide to all the European universities.

The main activities will consist in establishing a joint work plan including the following main activities:

- Creating a consortium with universities who represent the European diversity in the tradition of receiving and giving advice to visitors from the university environment.
- Holding meetings with all the partners to analyse the different existing models of international services, including ICT-enhanced support.
- Taking as a representative sample of international students and scholars, we will collect feed-back and proposals of the present visiting students and scholars participating in Erasmus Mundus Programmes at the consortium institutions.
- Establishing standards for services that take into account all the detected needs.
- Dissemination of the results by means of publications and specific dissemination workshops with a multilevel approach (regional, national and European).

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