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International University of Struga, International Business College Mitrovica, RIT Kosovo
(A.U.K) and Univerzitet Mediteran Podgorica

in the framework of "Erasmus International Week" and ROAMING Project
Organize an International Scientific Symposium

INTERNATIONALIZATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN WESTERN BALKAN
new partnerships, new joint academic initiatives, new perspectives, new opportunities

Venue: LOGOS University College
Tirana, Albania

Date: 9 November 2024 (Saturday)

Call for Papers

The ROAMING project, a collaborative initiative involving seven higher education institutions from the Balkans (including EU, EU-associated, and third countries within the ERASMUS+ programme), invites the submission of papers for the upcoming International Scientific Symposium on "Internationalization of Higher Education: New Partnerships, Joint Academic Initiatives, Perspectives, and Opportunities."

The symposium will focus on three topic areas:

- 1.** European dimension in Western Balkan higher education institutions
- 2.** Mobility in higher education
 - Challenges and opportunities for staff and student mobility;
 - International Credit Mobility;
 - International Relations Offices in higher education institutions
 - Mobility internships and apprenticeships
 - How can degree apprenticeship be an instrument of delivering on its social mobility potential?
 - Can universities of Western Balkan offer degree apprenticeships?
- 3.** Individuals, Institutions, Society and International Credit Mobility
 - the need for diversity, equity and inclusiveness transformations

The Scientific Symposium is part of an Erasmus International Week, organized within the framework of the Erasmus+ Project, "Strengthening International Staff & Student Mobility Offices in the Western

Balkans" (Project acronym: ROAMING). The event will be hosted by LOGOS University College in Tirana, Albania, on Saturday, 9 November 2024.

The call is open to anyone working in a related field, who is encouraged to submit an abstract and attend the event. Abstracts should reflect research in progress or previously conducted under the aforementioned topics during training and study visits within the framework of the ROAMING project.

Background and purpose of the symposium

The ROAMING Project community has established a tradition of periodic gatherings to discuss ideas, policies, methodologies, strategies, and best practices in the internationalization of higher education. The primary objective of the project is to address the imbalance in international mobility among remote and less privileged higher education institutions (HEIs) in the Western Balkans by strengthening their International Relations Offices. The 2024 Symposium will focus on enhancing internationalization in these HEIs, considering the current state of higher education in the region. The event will be primarily held in person, with provisions for online presentations in special cases.

The Symposium aims to explore strategies for motivating and engaging HEIs in the Western Balkans, adapting practices to enhance internationalization. We believe that internationalization enables universities to act as key mediators between global and national cultures. Integrating global and intercultural competences into curricula is essential, equipping students to navigate interconnected, complex, and diverse societies.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Faculty members, researchers, students, HEI's administrators, teachers and principals of public and private educational institutions, social welfare activists, interested professionals and public persons.

QUERIES

- Please address any questions directly to Dr. Valbona Nathanaili valbona.nathanaili@kulogos.edu.al

PUBLICATIONS / DOCUMENTS

1. Proceedings with ISBN code [which includes the program, organizers, plenary sessions, thematic scientific sessions, abstracts, or even full papers, the index of participants, etc.]
2. Individual Certificate "for participation and presentation of the paper"

DETAILS



- **Abstract Submission.** All interested applicants must first submit an abstract along with a short Bio. Abstracts should be limited between 200 and 400 words and can be accompanied by a maximum of five references. We will accept abstracts until 16 September 2024. Please send proposals to valbona.nathanaili@kulogos.edu.al.
- **Decision and notification:** 23 September 2024
- **Symposium agenda:** 1 November 2024
- **Symposium:** 9 November 2024
- **Registration fee:** No participation fee
- **Paper submission:** 30 November 2024
- **Proceedings with ISBN code for accepted papers:** 22 January 2025

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PAPER

The paper should be written in English, single-spaced on standard A4-sized paper with 1" margins on all sides. The text should be in 12 pt. Times New Roman font. The paper should consist of four major sections: Title Page, Abstract, Main Body, and References.

Formatting Guidelines:

- **Line Spacing:** Use single spacing throughout the paper, including the title page, abstract, main body, references, appendices, footnotes, tables, and any other sections.
- **Title Page:** The title page should include the title of the paper (formatted in 14 pt. font), the author's name, surname, institutional affiliation, and email address. Below this information, include the abstract. The title should be concise, ideally no longer than 12 words, and should avoid abbreviations or unnecessary words. It can span one or two lines.
- **Abstract:** The abstract should be between 200 and 400 words, summarizing the main points of the paper.
- **Keywords:** Use up to 8 keywords that effectively capture the essence of your paper.



- **Main Body:** This is the core part of the paper, where you will expand on all the topics mentioned in the abstract. It should include an introduction, the aim of your study or research, research topics, detailed research questions, information about participants, applied scientific methods, data analysis, tables, graphs, findings, and any suggestions or recommendations.
- **References:** Follow the APA (American Psychological Association) referencing style. Refer to the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, Fifth Edition, ISBN 1-55798-790-4, or visit [APA Style](#) for further guidelines. Only works cited in the paper should be included in the references section.

Paper Length: We recommend a length of 6-10 pages.