

EDU-LAB – NEW DANUBIAN GOVERNANCE IN LABOUR MARKET RELEVANCE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

KEY FACTS

- www.interreg-danube.eu/edu-lab
- Overall aim: **Develop chances for young people by linking education to employment**
- Lead Partner: European Foundation for Education (EFE), Germany
- >20 Partners from 10 countries (Germany, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Belgium)
- Project Duration: 01/2017 – 06/2019
- Overall budget: 2,528,088.90 EUR

Short description:

EDU-LAB: CHANCES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

EDU-LAB is a project aiming to improve the professional chances of young people in the Danube region. The starting point for developing a new mindset is capacity development. EDU-LAB brings together partners from the higher education sector, business organizations, national public authorities and policy makers. This joint learning process will include further actors from civil society.

More than 20 partners from 10 countries will cooperate for 2.5 years to link education to employment in a sustainable way. A new governance model will be developed with the goal to create a binding commitment by the “Danubian Charter for young talents”.

Objectives:

- Project Main Objective:
 - Improve institutional capacities to increase the labour-market relevance of higher education with a view to retain more young talents studying and working in the Danube region
- Project Specific Objectives:
 - Enhancing cooperation: business, Higher Education and public authorities
 - Encouraging development of Higher Education Law Amendments
 - Encouraging creation of more professionally-oriented study programmes

Project Partners:

- Lead Partner:
 - European Foundation for Education, Germany
- ERDF Project Partners:
 - Technical University of Sofia, Bulgaria
 - Bulgarian Industrial Association, Bulgaria
 - Municipality of Vratsa, Bulgaria
 - Institute for the Study of Societies and Knowledge, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria
 - Knowledge at Work Foundation, Croatia
 - VERN' University of Applied Sciences, Croatia
 - Pallasz Athéné University, Hungary
 - German Business Club Transylvania, Romania
 - Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu, Romania
 - Technical University of Košice, Slovakia
 - German-Slovak Chamber of Industry and Commerce, Slovakia
 - Automotive Industry Association of the Slovak Republic, Slovakia
 - University of Maribor (UM), Slovenia
 - Regional Development Agency of Northern Primorska Ltd. Nova, Slovenia
- IPA Project Partners:
 - Mechanical Engineering Faculty (University of Sarajevo), Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - LiNK Mostar, Association for Entrepreneurship and Business LiNK, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - Development Agency of the Una-Sana Canton, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - Department for Development and International Projects of Zenica-Doboj Canton, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - Institute Mihajlo Pupin, University of Belgrade, Serbia
 - Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia, Serbia
- Associated Strategic Partners:
 - Ministry of Education, Science and Sport, Slovenia
 - Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, Croatia
 - Ministry of Human Capacities, Hungary
 - Danube Rectors' Conference, Belgium