

ERASMUS POLICY STATEMENT 2021-2027

Wyższa Szkoła Gospodarki Euroregionalnej im. Alcide De Gasperi (WSGE) Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregional Economy is a relatively young higher education institution established in 2002 in Józefów located in Poland on the suburbs of Warsaw, which provides studies in management, internal safety, pedagogy, administration, clerical law.

WSGE has taken great strides in becoming an international university which focuses more on establishing cooperation with its counterparts both in the EU and non-EU countries. Therefore, a project office is responsible for coordinating partnerships with, but not limited to, the institutions in the EU and distant non-European countries and organizations.

Our internationalisation strategy lies in expanding partnerships with our stakeholders both in the EU and the rest of the world with regard to student and staff mobility, curriculum development, knowledge alliances, capacity building, conducting joint researches, co-publishing, and establishing dual/joint degrees. Therefore, we are working in close collaboration with the Polish National Agency to provide our student and staff with the necessary information and assistance as regards those subjects via our staff experienced in Erasmus Programme. The office also has a website which provides our prospective incoming and outgoing students and staff with all the information, activities and events regarding Erasmus + and other exchange programs.

WSGE is a distinguished private university equipped with high-tech classrooms and library. Furthermore, one of the goals set by the administration of WSGE is to increase the number of international students. It is also a great vantage point for our institution to admit ideal number of students so that each student is offered full support about the mobility opportunities abroad. What's more, as the language of instruction and administration is Polish and English, our university makes sure that every single student get required support in order to fully benefit from the studies.

WSGE attaches great importance to offering training opportunities for our students. Therefore, we have already established partnerships with some industrial companies in the region so that our students will have employment opportunities right after graduation. With its mission to be in close collaboration with relevant industrial institutions both in the region and across Europe, WSGE selects its partners on the basis of active partnership, non-discrimination, mutuality, and sustainability. It regularly provides its first, second and long cycle students of all fields as well as the faculty and administrative staff in our institution, who constitute the target groups for our mobility activities with the necessary information and assistance regarding studying, training, teaching and youth opportunities both across Europe and the surrounding regions. WSGE does its best to ensure a successful implementation of the Bologna Process in our institution. ECTS is applied in the university, which ensures transparency and full recognition across higher education institutions.

WSGE established the Project Office to organize and implement international programs representing WSGE both in the EU and non-EU countries and regions. There are specialists experienced in the previous LLP and Erasmus+, working in the office responsible for participating in national and international projects. They are also in charge of providing regular support and guiding for faculty members and students.

Additionally, WSGE has established strong links with the business sector in the region by providing its students with training opportunities during their study. Furthermore, WSGE aims to cooperate with businesses in the Programme countries to provide its students with international training opportunities while providing its staff with the teaching opportunities abroad.

In addition, one of the objectives of the WSGE is the implementation of scientific research in the field of social sciences, which result in defining social, economic and political problems. In addition, proposed solutions are consulted with self-government authorities, business entities and non-governmental organizations.

Each of the 5 priorities of the EU Modernisation Agenda underpins the modernisation and development strategies of WSGE, which can be traced on the website. WSGE is aware of the Europe 2020 Strategy and deems it necessary and important to participate in the Erasmus + Programme, which in turn is expected to have positive impact on the modernisation quality and capacity of our institution.

Priority 1: WSGE deems it necessary for its students and researchers to engage in international study/training programmes, which in turn helps our institution develop its modernisation strategy. With its participation in Erasmus +, WSGE which offers all of its courses in English and has already strong links with the business sectors in the region, aims to attract more students and researchers from across Europe and the surrounding regions to study and work in our institution.

Priority 2: WSGE focuses on offering quality education/training relevant to the demand of the labour market in the region. Moreover, it is in the process of creating an alumni tracking system which will help our institution streamline our study/training, employment and research opportunities. Therefore, Erasmus + is expected to be instrumental in helping our institution establish collaborative partnerships with similar HEIs and businesses to develop a more flexible, innovative and sustainable curriculum supporting staff exchanges and involving the practice in its courses.

Priority 3: WSGE is aware of the fact that learning mobility activities and cross-border partnerships between HEIs and enterprises allow for a quality and sustainable interaction, which in turn makes a positive contribution to our education quality. With ECTS already in use and the recognition of academic qualifications and credits earned abroad, WSGE has set out to establish double/joint diploma programs in both EU and non-EU countries in order to create an attractive studying/working place. Furthermore, participating in Erasmus + will help our institution students and staff develop their professional and intercultural competences via mobility, which is the integral part of our commitment to being an internationally attractive institution.

Priority4: WSGE has already worked in cooperation with the business sectors here and serves the local economy in order to better answer the needs of the labour market in the region. It also commits itself to take part in knowledge alliances and strategic partnerships in the Programme countries, as well to modernise and streamline its curriculum via integrating research and innovation results into its curriculum.

Priority 5: The Programme will allow our institution to reinforce its governance by promoting a more efficient system in managing the funds and human resources. In addition, it is expected to have a positive impact on our institution in which it will help us build a more reliable, transparent and accountable funding system with much more efficiency.