

KICK-OFF MEETING

24th-26th October 2016

Czech University of Life Sciences Prague

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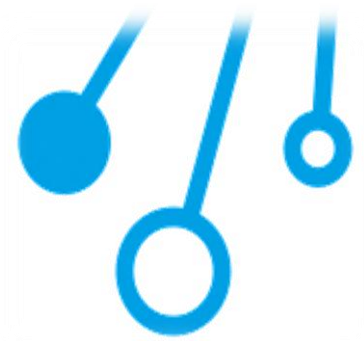


Support of International Platform Merging Labour and Education

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Basic information



Support of **International Platform Merging Labour and Education**

= Link between Universities and Professional Sector in the Area of
Agriculture and Life Sciences

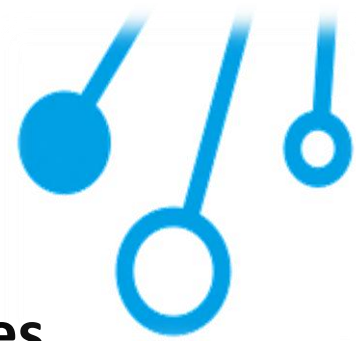
Coordinating organization: CULS Prague, Czech Republic

Grant amount: 535 615 €

Duration: Oct. 15, 2016 till Sep. 15, 2019 = in total 36 months

Coordinators meeting: 25 and 26 January 2017 in Brussels

Partners



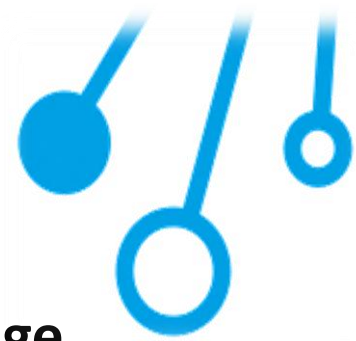
European partners

- Austria - University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna
- Belgium - Ghent University
- Czech Republic - Czech University of Life Sciences Prague

Asian partners

- Cambodia - Royal University of Agriculture
- University of Battambang
- Indonesia - Bogor Agricultural University
- Tadulako University
- Thailand - Prince of Songkla University
- Kasetsart University

Associates



- **Agrinatura** – The European Alliance on Agricultural knowledge for Development



- **FORS** – Czech Forum for Development and Cooperation



- **EMA** – Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association



- **ESAA** – Erasmus + Student and Alumni Association



- **SEARCHA** – Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study Research in Agriculture



- **YPARD** – Young Professionals for Agricultural Development

Aims of the project



- Encouragement of cooperation of Academic sector (HEIs) with Professional sector
- Enhanced employability of Asian partner universities' alumni

1) Support networking

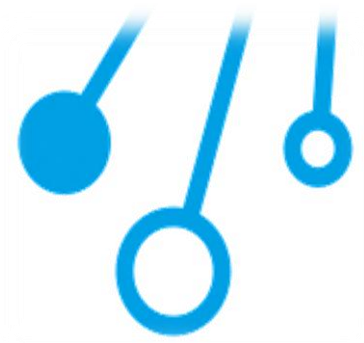
- Alumni Centres
- Platforms for Cooperation with Professional Sector
- Career centres

2) Improvement of curriculum of study programmes

- Internships - practical knowledge and better skills of the alumni

3) Enhancing soft skills

Target Groups



Academic sector

- Students
- Graduates
- Teaching staff
- Staff of Alumni Centres & Carrer Centres

Non-academic sector

- Business companies
- NGO's
- Governmental organizations
- EU-Asia companies

Main activities



WP 1

PREPARATION

Alumni Centres (AC)

WP 2

DEVELOPMENT

**Platforms for Cooperation
with Professional Sector
(PC-PS)**

WP 3

QUALITY PLAN

Internships

WP 4

DISSEMINATION & EXPLOITATION

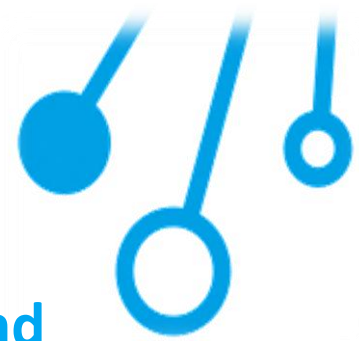
**Promoting Alumni Centres and
Platforms for Cooperation (PC-PS)**

WP 5

MANAGEMENT

Events & overall management

WP 1 - PREPARATION



Title: **Assesment studies of Alumni Centres and cooperation with enterprises and Guidelines of best practice examples for Alumni Centres**

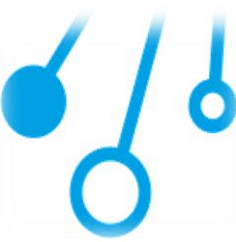
Date: 10/2016 – 9/2017

Lead Organisation: UGent, Belgium

Activities:

- 1) Writing in-depth Assessment study of the examples of good practises of Alumni centres = Report**
- 2) Analysing potential cooperation with non-academic sector (enterprises) = Report**
- 3) Organization of workshop of “Best practices of AC” = Event**
- 4) Preparation of Guidelines of best practice examples for AC = Training material**

WP 2 - DEVELOPMENT



Title: Establishment and mutual cooperation of Alumni Centres and Platforms for Cooperation with Professional Sector

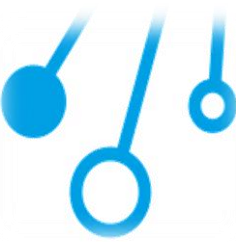
Date: 9/2017 – 9/2018

Lead Organisation: BOKU, Austria

Activities:

- 1) Establishment of the AC at Asian project partners universities = Service/Product
- 2) Organizing training course for staff of Asian AC provided in EU = Event
- 3) Foundation of the PC-PS at all project partners' universities in Asia = Service
- 4) Preparation of the Action plan for cooperation with non-academic sector with involved universities and EU-Asia companies = Training material

WP 3 - QUALITY PLAN



Title: Including the practical training into the curricula of the study programmes

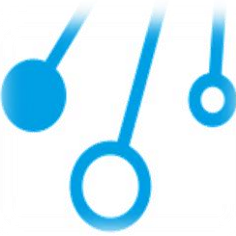
Date: 10/2017 – 9/2019

Lead Organisation: PSU, Thailand

Activities:

- 1) Introduction of internships and trainings of soft skills into curricula of the study programs at Asian universities = Learning material, Training material**
- 2) Organization of internships of high quality for the students thanks to networking among AC and PC-PS = Service**
- 3) Evaluation of the quality of organized internships – preparing the evaluation report = Report**
- 4) Support of guest lectures provided by representatives of enterprises at Asian HEIs = Training material**

WP 4 - DISSEMINATION & EXPLOITATION



Title: Promotion of joint cooperation of Alumni Centres and Platforms for Cooperation with Professional Sector

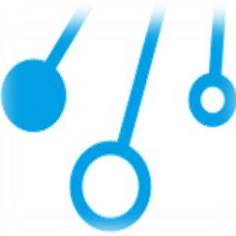
Date: 10/2017 – 9/2019

Lead Organisation: CULS, Czech Republic

Activities:

- 1) Organization of Career Days at Asian universities together with PC-PS = **Event**
- 2) Promoting activities of AC and PC-PS = **Service**
- 3) Preparation of Feasibility study of AC and PC-PS for dissemination = **Report**
- 4) Support of exchange know-how and experiences among EU and Asian Alumni Centres and PC-PS = **Service**

WP 5 - MANAGEMENT



Title: Joint coordination of project activities

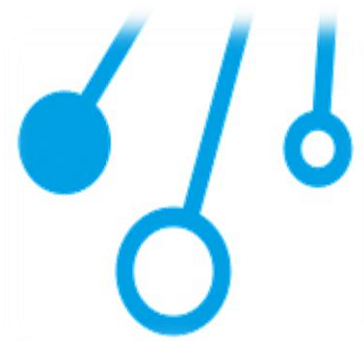
Date: 10/2016 – 10/2019

Lead Organisation: CULS, Czech Republic

Activities:

- 1) Hosting project Kick-off meeting = Event**
- 2) Providing interactive websites and LinkedIn profiles = Service**
- 3) Organizing Final project conference to disseminate project outputs = Event**

Main project outputs



Increased cooperation between Academic & Professional sectors

- **Active Alumni Centers and Platforms for Cooperation with Prof. Sector**
- **Internship modules incorporated in Bc./MSc. study programmes**
- **Link between alumni and employers (Career days)**
- **Feasibility study of AC and PC-PS**
- **Ongoing management of active project website, Facebook and LinkedIn profile**

Employers' satisfaction with professionally trained students confirmed by research analysis

Schedule



2016	Kick-off meeting
2017	Workshop - Best Practices examples for Alumni Centres – Belgium
	Guidelines of Best Practices examples for Alumni Centres
	Establishment of Alumni Centres and Career Centres in Asia
	Training for Alumni Centres staff – Austria
2017-2018	Foundation of Platforms PC-PS / Internships
2018 - 2019	Guest Lectures
	Organizing of Career Days – Cambodia, Indonesia, Thailand
2019	Final Project Conference – Indonesia



THANK FOR YOUR ATTENTION!