Online and technology enhanced studies at Vytautas Magnus University

Dynamics and experimentation with digital innovations

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The changing landscape in Europe

The most influential technological innovations in Europe in recent decades:

- Open Educational Resources
- Open Educational Practices
- Virtual Mobility and international virtual exchange
- Massive Open Online Courses
- Open Science, open data
- Learning analytics
- Personalization and flexibility of learning
- Recognition of open learning

The privilege of an OPEN ORGANIZATION

- Open management
- Transparency
- Participation and responsiveness
- Involvement and leadership
- Open professional collaboration and sharing
- Community development
- Meeting the values of digital and networked society



The need for open education organizations



- We need to prepare young people for the open world through:
 - Open education (through OER, OEP and open course)
 - ICT (as a huge and important driver of openness)
 - ICT as a solution to the important social and economics crises that we are facing
- Technology diminishes isolation and opens collaboration there
 is no policy nor any other force that can prevent this

Challenges of integration of openness in education organization



- The level of openness in management?
- The level of transparency?
 - Does the level matter?
 - What are the factors affecting successful open collaboration?
- The risk of the leadership or ownership of the leaders?
- To share or to give away?
- Values of digital and networked society vs traditional values?

Opening up education through innovations



- Opening up is directly linked with technology integration
- Opening up is directly linked with flexibility, inclusiveness, accessibility, and socially responsible and responsive education
- Open (and virtual) universities (12 of them being members of EDEN) are great contributors and mentors towards opening up

TEL integration into a HE organization

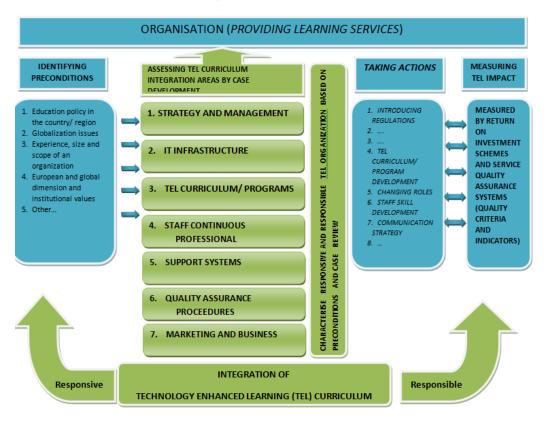


Open and flexible education should happen through TEL curriculum integration in an organization:

- responsively (responding to the needs of all stakeholders of education services) and
- responsible (based on the quality assurance framework and identifying and forecasting concrete positive impact indicators upon education institution activities)
- on all (seven) areas of organization activities (next slide)
- identifying pre-conditions existing on the national and regional levels of the organization
- establishing a case study to identify strategic actions necessary for integration of the innovation
- identification and measuring TEL impact upon the areas of organization activities

TEL integration into an organization





Airina Volungeviciene, Margarita Tereseviciene, Alan Tait (2014)

Innovative Studies Institute (ISI)

Innovative Studies Institute was establish in 2000 named by Distance study center and in 2012 reorganized to Innovative Studies Institute. It is an university unit working with different faculties on curriculum redevelopment for distance and virtual studies.

The goal of the Institute is to develop distance studies at Vytautas Magnus University in agreement with strategic goals of the system of Education in Lithuania, and in the context of Lithuanian distance and e-learning network.





Lithuanian distance and e-learning network (LieDM) association European Distance and eLearning Network (EDEN) International Council for Distance Education (ICDE)





NEWS







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Teaching materials for teachers (VOCAL)

2018 European Distance Learning Week 10th EDEN Research workshop

Panel "Global University"

PROJECTS













Strategy and management



- To implement university strategic goals to achieve digitally competent organization by:
- mainstreaming traditional studies in the online format
- to support teachers in digitalisation of curricular
- to train teachers to enable them to use VLE and video conferences in study process
- to implement open university mission to reach larger groups of Lithuanian society in the country and worldwide
- to introduce study innovations (OER, VM, and others) into study process
- to support Lithuanian education institutions in TEL design and implementation

IT infrastructure at VMU

VMU systems administrated by ISI

- Virtual learning environment Moodle
- Open studies for society Worspress, Moodle
- Video conferening Bigblue Buttom, Teams
- Online support system for students
- Online support system for teachers



Virtual learning environment – Moodle



- 2004 2010 we have been using BlackBoard VLE
- 2009 migration for BlackBoard to Moodle VLE (version 1.5)
- 2011 Moodle updated to version 1.9
- 2012 Moodle updated to version 2.2, new design created
- 2013 Moodle updated to version 2.4
- 2014 Moodle updated to version 2.7
- 2015 Moodle updated to version 2.9
- 2016 Moodle updated to version 3.1, new mobile friendly design created
- 2017 Moodle updated to version 3.3
- 2018 Moodle updated to version 3.5



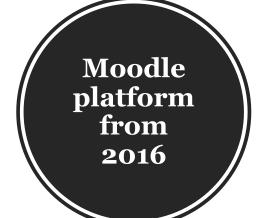


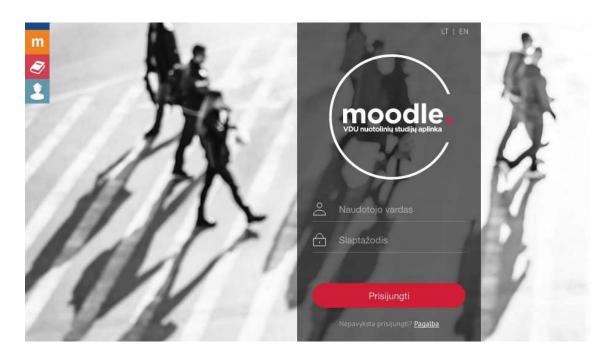




VMU Open content







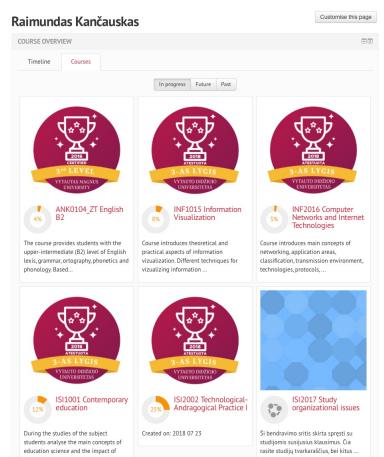
Moodle platform http://moodle.vdu.lt



- Current version: **3.5.3**
- Updated every year (in July) to the latest version
- LDAP database for user authentication
- Users enrolment synchronization with VMU students information system
 (STUDIS) using web-services
- VMU Moodle is fully translated into two languages: *Lithuanian* and *English* including main content (using Multi-language content filter)
 - Course categories
 - Course titles
 - Course descriptions

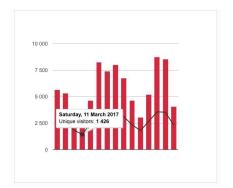
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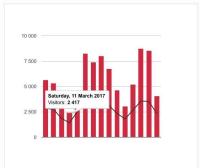


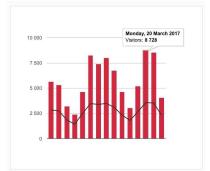


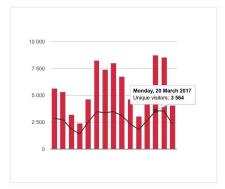












Moodle usage statistics

2. Infrastructure









Video conferencing tools



Premium video meetings. Now free for everyone. VDU Moodle administratorius Studentų įtraukimas į studijų dalykus (2019RS) 24 Aug, 14:10 VDU Moodle administratorius Student enrollment into courses (2018

Navigation

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Autumn semester)

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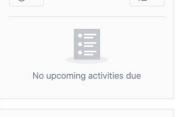
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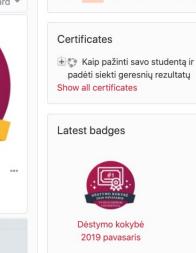
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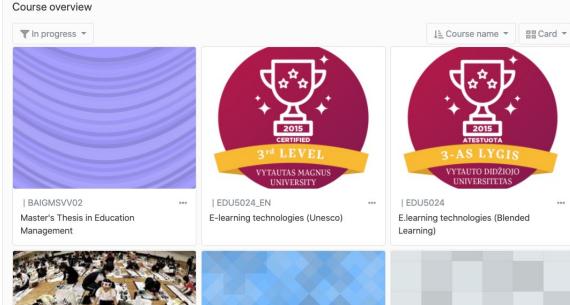
E-learning technologies (Unesco)





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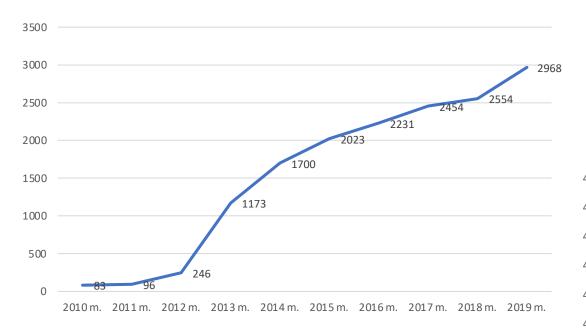


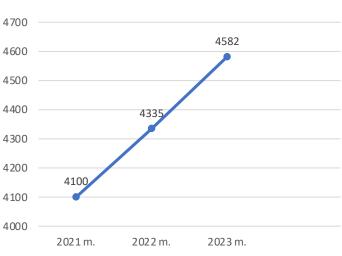






3. Courses in Moodle (dynamics)





6. Quality assurance (course level)



Level I (mandatory)

- All courses in Moodle
- At least 20-49 % of course content available for students
- All students and teachers
 working f2f use Moodle for
 learning and teaching
 resources



Level II Blended learning



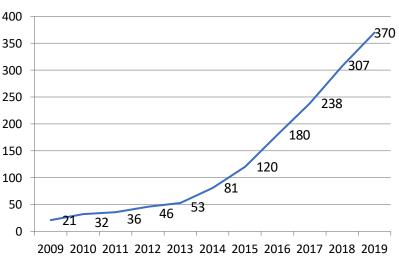
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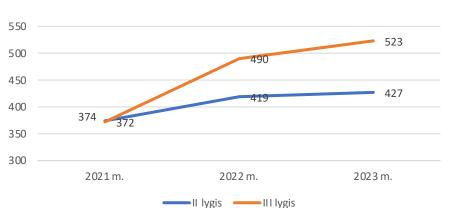


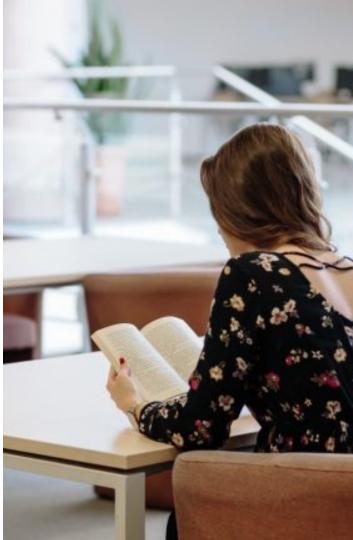
All faculties participate in quality assurance process through involvement in expert group

Live f2f and online meetings since 2009

Attestation – quality assurance









Learning progress bar

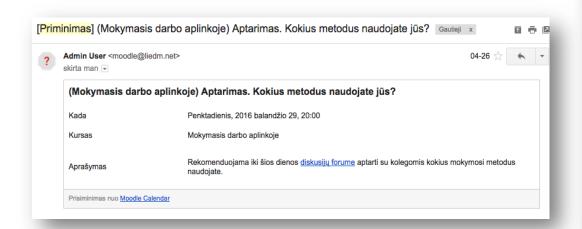




Activity reminder



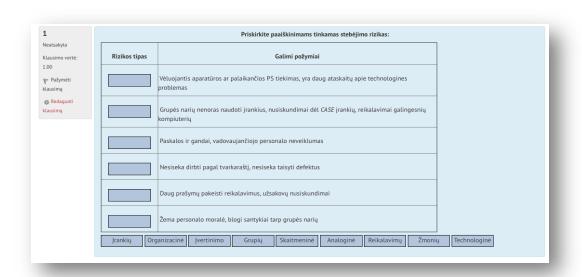
Course calendar - month activity view. Course calendar sends reminder to student email.

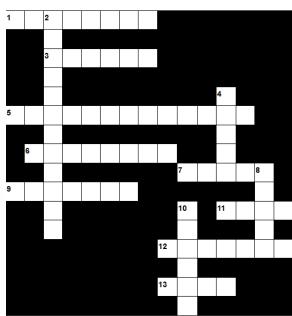






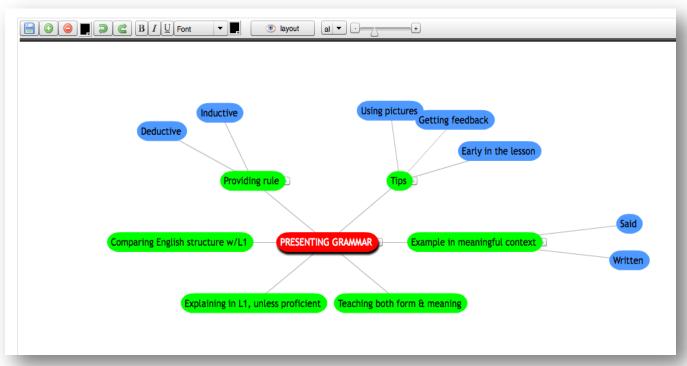
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For discussing, experimenting, practising and creating.

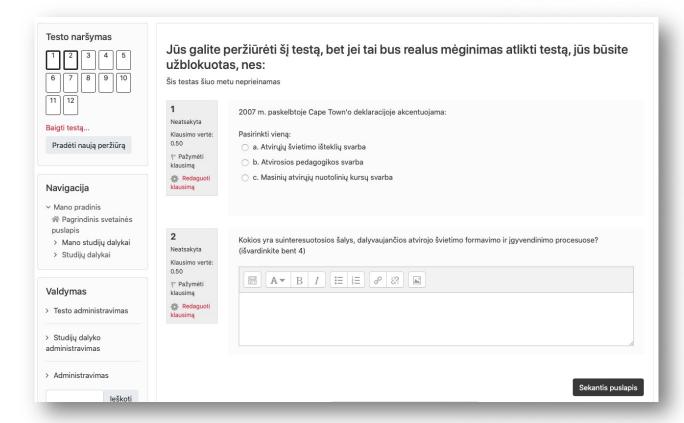




3.6. Online assessment (formative approach, variety of skills, etc.)



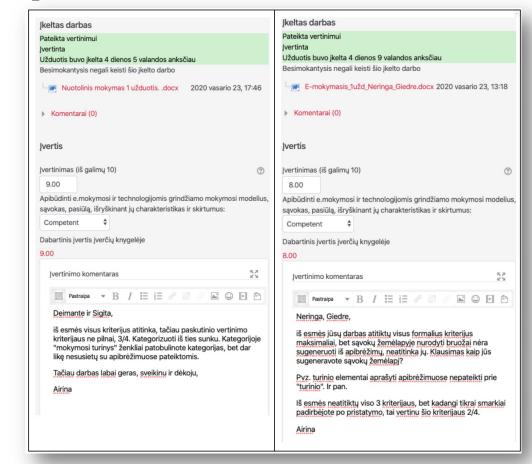
- Testing
- Assignments
- Open book exams
- Etc.





3.6. Student feedback provision forms

Assignment activities

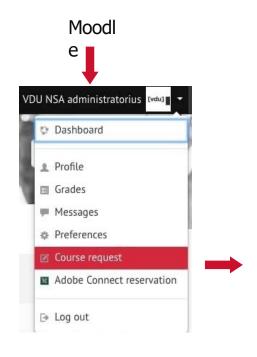






Support system for teachers: Course request from





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Course full name* ②		
Course code* ③		
Course category ③	Innovative Studies Institute	*
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Faculty: Study degree: Field of study: Semester: Teachers who teach together:*		



Support system for teachers: portal with support information

- 24/7 question about online study module
- Moodle user manual (text and video)
- Documents and regulations for organization of online studies
- All information about virtual mobility
- Our suggestions for other web 2.0 tools for communication and collaboration
- OER

Support system for students: 24/7 for student





Pagalba / Support

Prie aplinkos prisijunkite naudodamiesi savo FirstClass sistemos vartotojo vardą ir slaptažodį (Vartotojo vardovas).

Jei Jūsų FirstClass slaptažodis viršija 12 simbolių privalote jį pasikeisti į trumpesnį per FirstClass sistemą.

FirstClass-> Collaborate -> Change Password...

Jei turite klausimų susijusių su Moodle aplinka užpildykite <u>šią kontaktinę formą</u>. Jums bus atsakyta per 24 valandas.

Jei pamiršote FirstClass prisijungimo vardą ar slaptažodį, kreipkitės į Studentų centrą adresu S. Daukanto g. 27-206 arba el. paštu studentas@vdu.lt Please use your FirstClass username and password to login to VDU Moodle (User manual).

If your FirstClass password is longer than 12 symbols please change it to shorter. You can do this with FirstClass program.

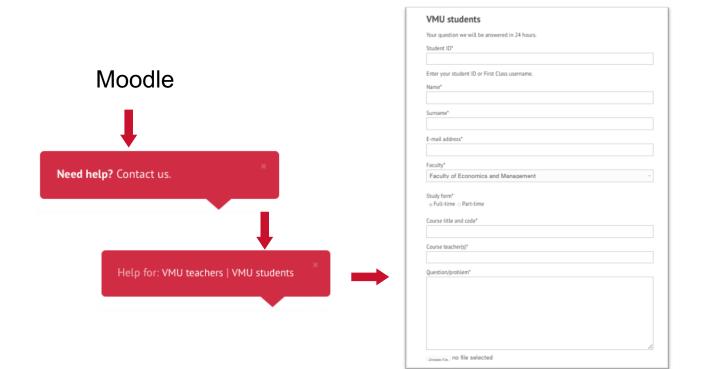
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If you have any questions please fill this form. Your questions will be answered within 24 hours.

If you forgot your FirstClass username or password please contact Student Center S. Daukanto g. 27-206 or contact by e-mail studentas@vdu.lt

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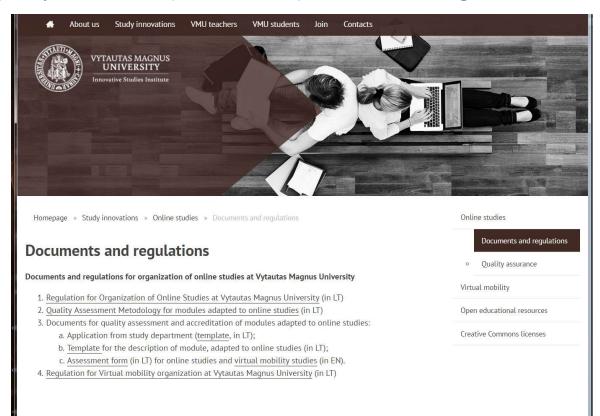




Quality assurance

http://studyonline.lt/en/study-of-innovation/online-studies/documents-and-regulations





Quality assurance

http://openstudies.eu/sites/default/files/Questionaire QA Virtual mobility2.pdf



QUALITY ASSURANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SUBJECT CURRICULUM ADAPTABILITY FOR VIRTUAL MOBILITY

(this questionnaire is aimed to identify quality characteristics in curriculum and to measure curriculum adaptability for virtual mobility)

Quality criteria mandatory for virtual mobility are marked in red

Study su	ıbject title:	
Author(s	s) and institution they represent	
Study program(s), department(s) , university(ies)		
L	GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT (PRESENTED IN VIRTUAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT)	
1) Presei	ntation of the subject is available (video or another format, for marketing purposes):	
Yes.	□No.	
2) The st	structure is clear and easily understandable:	
Yes.	□No.	
3) The m	menu is convenient:	
Yes.	□No.	
4) Navig	gation is clear and convenient	
Yes.	□No.	
5) Desig	n is appropriate (colours, font size, heading, illustrations)	
□Yes.	□ No. Provide your recommendations for design improvement:	

INNOVATIONS and different scenarios

Microcredentials





What is micro-credential? (European approach)



A micro-credential is the record of the learning outcomes that a learner has acquired following a small volume of learning. These learning outcomes have been assessed against transparent and clearly defined standards.

Courses leading to micro-credentials are designed to provide the learner with specific knowledge, skills and competences that respond to societal, personal, cultural or labour market needs.

Micro-credentials are owned by the learner, can be shared and are portable. They may be standalone or combined into larger credentials. They are underpinned by quality assurance following agreed standards in the relevant sector or area of activity.



What EU standard elements should it include?

The basis for trust in micro-credentials is transparency. Micro-credentials should be clearly identified as such with elements that make it possible for learners, education and training institutions, quality assurance agencies, and

- Mandatory elements

- · Identification of the learner
- · Title of the micro-credential
- · Country/Region of the issuer
- Awarding body
- Date of issuing
- Learning outcomes
- Notional workload needed to achieve the learning outcomes (in ECTS credits, wherever possible)
- Level (and cycle, if applicable) of the learning experience leading to the micro-credential (EQF, QF-EHEA), if applicable
- · Type of assessment
- · Form of participation in the learning activity
- Type of quality assurance used to underpin the micro-credential

employers to understand the value and content of micro-credentials and to compare them.

The European approach to micro-credentials suggests a list of critical information elements that any micro-credential should provide:

Optional elements, where relevant -

(non-exhaustive list)

- Prerequisites needed to enrol in the learning activity
- Supervision and identity verification during assessment (unsupervised with no identity verification, supervised with no identity verification, supervised online or onsite with
- Grade achieved

identity verification)

- Integration/stackability options (standalone, independent micro-credential / integrated, stackable towards another credential)
- · Further information

European Commission (2021) A European approach to Micro-credentials. https://education.ec.europa.eu/sites/default/files/2022-01/micro-credentials%20brochure%20updated.pdf

Course description elements important for issuing micro-credentials

- 1. Field of education
- 2. Educational institution/ department, faculty
- 3. Author/teacher
- 4. Information about the author/teacher
- 5. Photo/image of the course (added as a separate file)
- 6. Scope of learning in academic hours and ECTS
- 7. Aim of the learning program
- Target group
- 9. Language of the course
- 10. Advancement level
- 11. Official prerequisites for entry
- 12. Introduction of the course
- 13. Length of the course
- 14. Competencies and learning outcomes
- 15. Main topics (content)
- 16. Learning strategy
- 17. Distribution of learning hours
- 18. Assessment strategy

- 19. Certificate / micro-credentials
- 20. Recognition
- 21. Course link with the formal course curriculum
- 22. Creative license of the course
- 23. Description of the course
- 24. Learning format
- 25. Learning type
- 26. Study field
- 27. Assessment method
- 28. Form of assessment
- 29. Procedural requirements for learner authentication and identification
- 30. Link with the ESCO skills
- 31. Relevance to market/employer needs
- 32. Stackability

10 principles of MC

- Quality (internal and external quality assurance procedures)
- Transparency (clear information on learning outcomes, workload, content, level, and the learning offer)
- Relevance (correspond to labour market and learner needs & easy to update)
- Valid assessment (learning outcomes are assessed against transparent standards)
- Learning Pathways (including the possibility to stack, validate, and recognise)
- Recognition (comparable across the EU).
- Portability (owned by learner & kept in/shared via digital wallet)
- Learner-centred (meet the needs of a learner)
- Authentic (check the learner and issuer identity)
- Information and guidance (should reach the broadest possible learner groups)

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The need for micro-credentials (MC)

• **Learners** need that their achievements were transferable and compatible with national and European qualification Frameworks and European digital credential infrastructures (such as *Europass* or other).

• **Employers** value digital, qualitative and easy (machine) readable information about qualifications and abilities of potential employees.

• Universities aim to issue digital (micro)credentials that are valued by all stakeholders (students-potential employees, employers or other institutions) and are easy to recognize



Microcredentialing benefits

For learners

- Access to updated, short learning opportunities that provide a proof of learning/assessment
- Possibility to share those digital proofs of learning with potential employers
- (not necessarily) Clear assessment strategies in the courses they learn

Microcredentialing benefits

For teachers

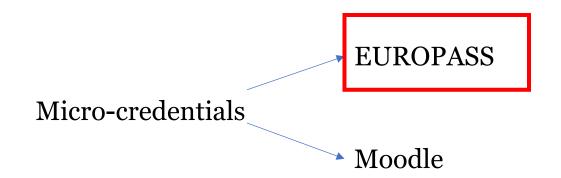
- Possibility to revise programs creating modular learning programs/courses
- Digitalizing learning courses to revise them providing more self-study opportunities, different types of resources and using different learning methods
- Planning and digitalizing learning courses to revise them from educational perspective (if learning outcomes correspond to learning and assessment methods) and contribute to openness and quality assurance
- (may be a challenge as well) properly use learning platform delivering a course

Microcredentialing benefits

For institutions

- Possibility to prepare small learning opportunities, reacting to market demand
- Possibility to create modular learning programs/courses
- Revision/creation of internal procedures for issuing micro-credentials
- Digitalizing learning courses to revise them from educational perspective (if learning outcomes correspond to learning and assessment methods) and contribute to openness and quality assurance
- (as employers) to validate potential employee data and select proper employee

Digital micro-credentials





Europass digital credential infrastructure



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Europass tools

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Create your free Europass profile

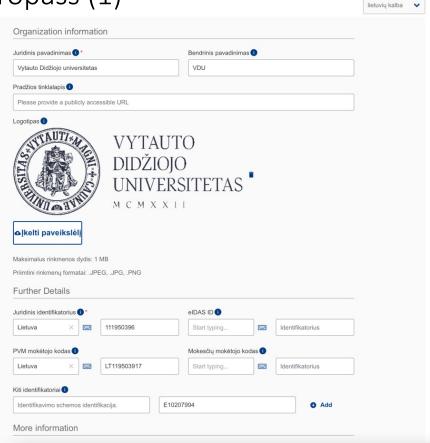


Europass digital credential infrastructure

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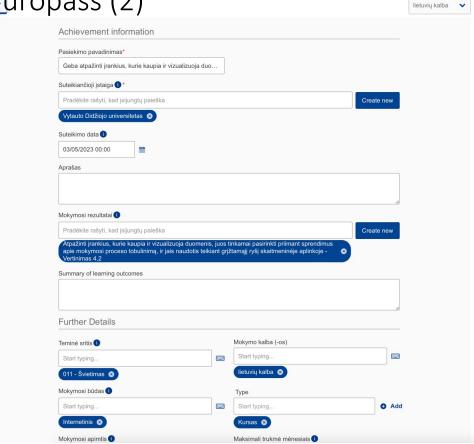
Micro-credential creation in Europass (1)

 Information about the organization



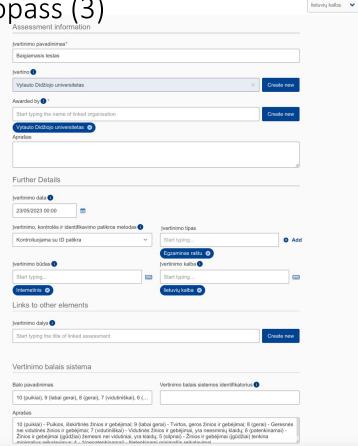
Micro-credential creation in <u>Europass</u> (2)

Achievement information



Micro-credential creation in Europass (3)

Assessment information

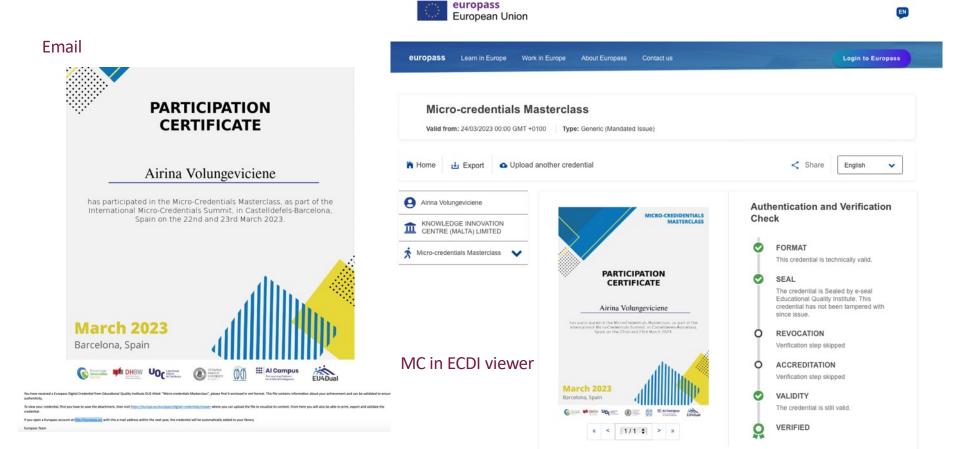


Europass micro-credential

When institution issues a micro-credential using Europass EDCI:

- Learners receive an email + automatically generated *Europass* account that you can obtain
- If you have *Europass* account
 - And MC was issued with this email, you'll see MC in your Europass account profile
 - If it was issued with another email you can upload it yourself in *Europass* account profile
- If you don't have *Europass* account profile
 - You can create it and will find/may upload MC in the profile
 - Or you can view your MC without Europass account at https://europa.eu/europass/digital-credentials/viewer

Examples of MC issued via Europass:





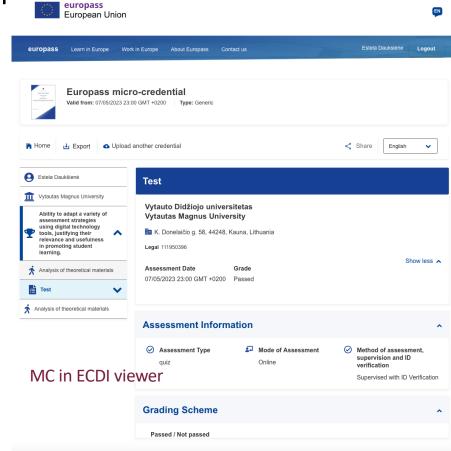
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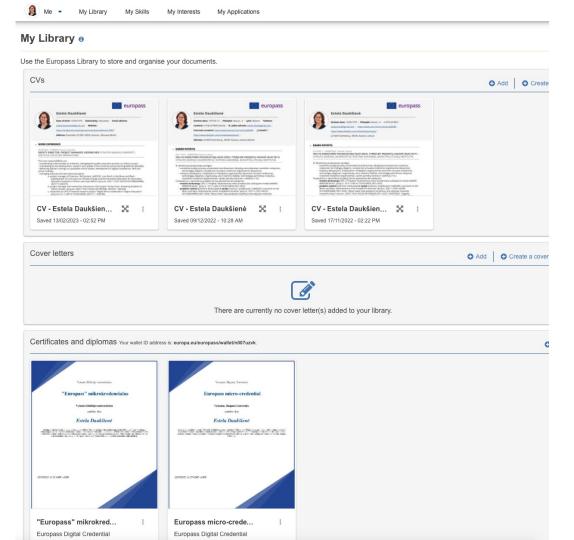
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To view your credential, first you have to save the attachment, then visit https://europa.eu/europass/digital-credentials/viewer where you can upload the file to visualise its content. From here you will also be able to print, export and validate the credential.

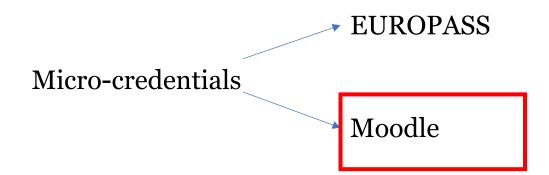
The Europass Team



Examples of MC issued via Europass:
MC in Europass profile



Digital micro-credentials



What teachers have to do before micro-credential issuance

- Agree on learning outcomes (if the course is created by several teachers)
- Prepare Course description
- Prepare Lesson plan
- Upload materials and teach in the Moodle online learning environment

How do Moodle micro-credentials look like?

- Together with microcredential you are recommended to download meta-data of the microcredential (.json file)
- You can view data with the .json file viewer (such as Mozila addon)
- It is planned that micro-credentials will be easily transferable to other systems (such as LinkedIn, Europass) in the near future





Šis mikrokredenčialas liudija, kad

Estela Dauksiene

Sékmingai baigé mokymosi dalyko tema

Besimokančiųjų skaitmeninių kompetencijų plėtojimas

Mokymosi apimtis ECTS: 4
Mokymosi apimtis valandomis: 1 ECTS 1s jų kontaktiniu būdu: 25
Mokymosi būdas: Nuotolinis

Mokymosi forma: Nuolatinė

Mokymosi kalba: Lietuvių vertis: Išlaikyta [†]100.00

Mokymosi rezultatai:

Kurti naują, originalų ir aktualų turinį, jį koreguoti, išreikšti save skaitmeninėmis priemonėmis;

Naudoti skaitmenines technologijas vengiant pavojų sveikatai ir grėsmių fizinei bei psichologinei gerovei

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Prof. dr. Juozas Augutis

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Additional info on micro-credentials

Digi Prof project results –

- 3 training materials available in 6 languages (EN, LT, PL, PT, CAT, DE):
 - Designing Transparent Assessment Strategies For Online Learning in HE
 - Monitoring, Supporting, and Engaging Students Based on the Evidence Generated by Digital Technologies
 - Ensuring Digital and Micro-Credentialization of Learning As a Part of Transparent Assessment For Recognition of Learning Outcomes
- The Guidelines for HE Institutions to Implement Transparent

 Assessment of Learning Outcomes for Online and Blended Learning

 Leading to Digital Micro-credentials

In other languages

INNOVATIONS and different scenarios

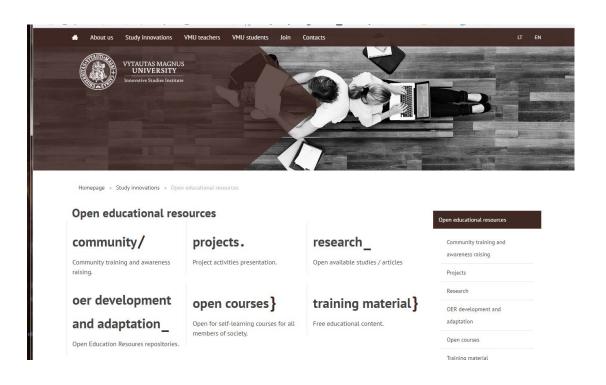
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Open Educational Resources (OER)



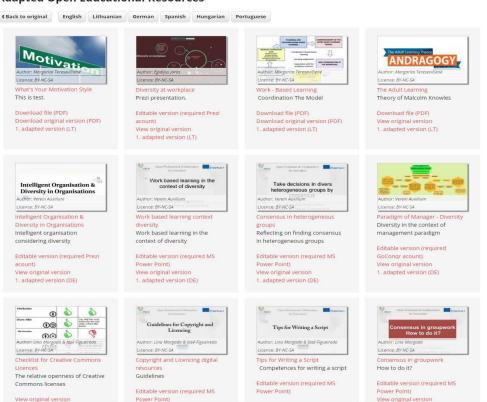


From OER development and adaptation



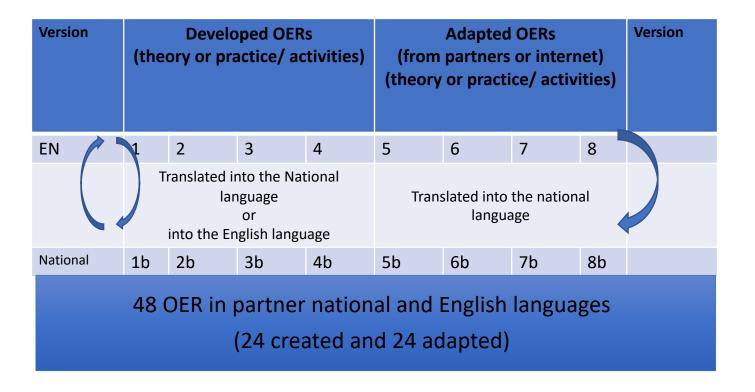


Adapted Open Educational Resources



To Open Educational Practices





Towards Open courses

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES (VIRTUAL MOBILITY MODE)

This 3 ECTS virtual mobility study course was implemented in Lifelong learning program Erasmus project "VMCOLAB".

Preview

OPEN PROFFESSIONAL COLLABORATION FOR INNOVATION

This courses is OpenPROF project results and was created by the development of online innovative curriculum designing using open educational resources.

- 1. Time management and online communities (EN, ES)
- 2. Communication in Intelectual organization (EN, LT)
- 3. Digital storytelling for training (EN, PT)
- 4. Diversity Management (EN, DE)
- 5. The mobility guide on-line Planning and management with ICT support (EN, HU)
- 6. Personalized learning at work place (EN, LT)

Preview

SMART TOOLS FOR PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT

This course is MEVEL project results and allow the Metal workers undergo sector changes, taking advantage of their knowledge acquired in previous trainings and jobs. This course is consists of 5 modules:

- 1. Professional technical English
- 2. Quality and production management: cost reduction
- 3. Modular product architecture
 - 1. Visual planning
- 4. ICT, WEB 2.0 & SW For Metal Sector
- 5. Practice of provisioning for production scheduling

INTEGRATED SOLUTION TO VIRTUAL MOBILITY BARRIERS

Courses developed during Ubicamp project. These open courses are dedicated for virtual mobility integration in organization. In these courses you will find solutions, recommendations for virtual mobility integration in institution.

Preview

VIRTUAL LEARNING IN HIGHER **EDUCATION**

This course was developed during TeaCamp project. It allows students to test virtual mobility sessions by participating in video conferences, preparing group work presentations, individuals tasks, use and share virtual resources with other students. This course has 6 modules:

- 1. Culture models
- Collaborative online learning
- 3. Information Literacy
- 4. Learning Technologies
- 5. Learning Strategies
- 6. E-Assessment Strategies

Preview

- · Community training and awareness raising
- Projects
- Research
- o OER development and adaptation

- Open courses Training material
- Expertise
- o Books, documents

Online studies

Virtual mobility

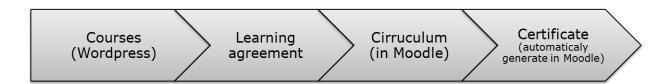
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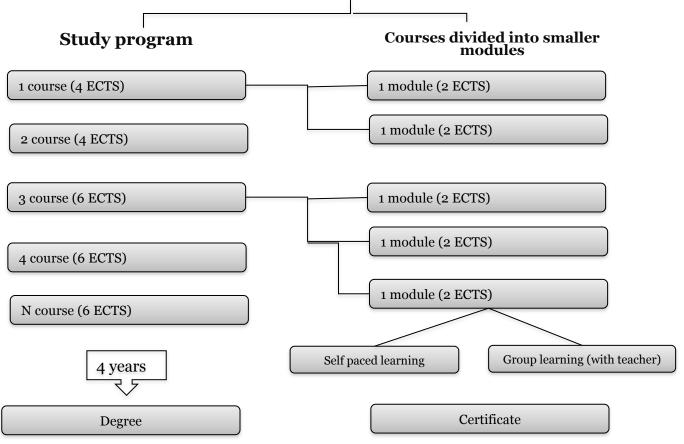


The idea of online non-formal learning is opening university curriculum for Lithuanian-speaking people all around the world.



Opening up university curriculum for society





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Requirements for teachers for open professional collaboration



- Digital competence
- Openness for idea sharing, critics and learning
- Benevolent attitude towards collaboration and innovations



Challenges for teachers creating and adapting OER

- Tools to be used for OER creation
- Tools to publish OER
- Requirements for OER editable version
- How much the OER should be adapted to become a new OER?
- How open are we should the OER be open for commercial use?

Virtual mobility for university studies





Concept of VM



Author	Characteristics	Year, references
S. Kenyon G. Lyons, J. Rafferti	Internet based mobilityIncreasing accessibilityAlternative to PHM	2002
H.Bejnings et al.	 The use of ICT to obtain the same benefits as the ones that you would have with PHM but without the need to travel 	120 p. Education aspects for VM, 2006
Van den Band'Kokhuis	 Collaborative communication Mediated by the computer interactive Across the boarders (international) Time flexibility 	1996 - 2001
Volungevičienė, Teresevičienė	 set of ICT supported activities institutional level international, collaborative experiences in a context of teaching and/or learning 	2011
Van de Branden	 Provide effective follow – up means Possibility to stay in contact with home institution 	2004
PETRA POULOVÁ, MILOSLAVA ČERNÁ, LIBUŠE SVOBODOVÁ	Study efficiencye-learning	2009
ILSE OP DE BEECK HELENA BIJNENS CHRISTINE MICHIELSENS WIMVAN PETEGEM	-the same benefits as one would have with physical mobility but without the need to travel".- a valuable alternative for physical mobility.	JOURNAL OF BUSINESS AND SOCIETY, 20, 2007



















Virtual (blended) mobility

"set of information and communications technology supported activities, organized at institutional level, that realize or facilitate international, collaborative experiences in a context of teaching and/or learning"

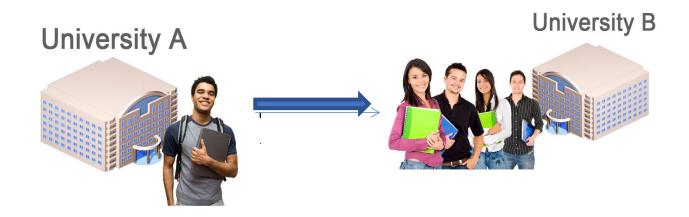
Virtual mobility: involved actors



- Higher education institutions (2+)
- Teachers in student VM (2+, organizing VM academic exchange)
- Students in VM (student groups in 2+ countries)
- Teachers in VM (professional development in 2+ institutions (research, academic teaching, socio-cultural exchange))

Scenario 1. Physical mobility





Scenario 2.

Virtual mobility (not to replace, but to enrich and enhance physical student mobility)











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VM impact for HE institutions



- Development and exploitation of intercultural studies
- Joint study programs, quality enhancement and expertise sharing, transparency of professionalism and academic processes
- Modernisation and internationalisation of curriculum (transferrable quality standards, modular curriculum based on learning outcomes, updating pedagogical models)
- Multi-institutional instead of bilateral collaboration
- Improvement of education attractiveness and HE competitiveness
- Expanded areas of learning for students
- Additional transferrable skills and knowledge areas
- Teacher professional development
- Additional skills and experience for students

All benefits listed directly support HE institution modernisation!



VM impact for teachers

Personal professional development: •Interpersonal communication, online communication, linguistic skills, ICT competences •teaching quality improvement, new teaching methods applied and experimented •new knowledge, skills and experience in multiple EU HE institutions Professional networking, exchange of good practices International, intercultural professional activities Transparency and recognition of teaching and professionalism Career opportunities Research enhancement – especially in teacher VM



VM benefits for students

- Upgraded transferrable skills:
 - Linguistic, interpersonal communication
 - ICT competences
 - Additional learning skills (networking, critical thinking, intercultural knowledge and skills, quality schemes)
- Curriculum and study quality enhancement
- New learning methods suggested by various HE institutions
- Transparency of learning, individual portfolio development
- Enhanced employability
- Intercultural, international experience and expertise
- Enlarged academic areas of studies
- Support for home students and LLL groups, international study accessibility for physically and socio-economically disadvantaged



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Themes v

Virtual Mobility Collabor

Institutional Awareness Building

Mutual Awareness Building

Students' Awareness

Quality Assurance of



The project aims to contribute to innovation and internationalisation of Europea Education Institutions by exploiting the full potential of ICT and Virtual Mobility at broadening the access to international learning experience to all European stuits lifetime, it intends to:

- Develop a Quality Assurance approach for VM.
- Develop institutional awareness of VM potential
- Develop students' awareness on opportunities Virtual amobility

 Develop mutual support service for HEIs willing to pilot VM programmes Develop mutual support service for handbook
- Test a set of mutual support services for HEIs
- Integrate VM in institutional academic contexts

RECENTLY ADDED EVENTS

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

RECENT POSTS

Ended on March 16, 2013 test March 27, 2013 Hello world



- 1. Decision making
- 2. Curriculum designing
- 3. VM organization and communication
- 4. Assessment and Feedback
- 5. Certification and Recognition

TeaCamp



- international virtual mobility module for virtual learning called "Virtual learning in Higher Education" (VLHE)
- the module is developed and studies organized by 13 teachers from:
 - Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania, coordinating institution)
 - Innovation Centre of University of Oviedo (Spain)
 - Jyvaskyla University (Finland)
 - Jagellonian University (Poland)
 - University of Aveiro (Portugal)
 - Baltic Education Technology Institute (Lithuania, enterprise)

1. Consistency in learning outcomes



- apply the knowledge of culture models to solve problems caused by cultural difference in Virtual Mobility
- explain the skills needed to facilitate and manage collaborative online learning.
- describe different technological resources for collaborative online learning.
- analyze and evaluate information;
- synthesize and create information;
- define the technologies and standards used in distance education;
- apply learning management systems based on these standards;
- compare learning styles and learning strategies
- identify and apply online resources in order to implement learning strategies virtually
- design assessment strategies for virtual learning
- · use tools to support scenarios of virtual learning

TeaCamp Curriculum content and teaching/learning scenario development (sub-modules)



Partner institution	Jyvaskyla University	Innovation Centre of University of Oviedo	Jagellonian University	BETI	Vytautas Magnus University	University of Aveiro	Jyvaskyla University
Competence	Culture	Collaborative	Information	Advanced	Learning	Assessment	Culture
in	models	online	Literacy	learning	Strategies	strategies	models
		learning		technologies			
Virtual	(week 1)		(week 4-5)		(week 8-9)	(week 10-11)	(week 12)
learning in		(week 2-3)		(week 6-7)			
HE							

TeaCamp assessment strategy

Sub-module	Culture models (1/2) (JYU, FI)	Collaborative online learning (CC1N, ES)	Information literacy (JU, PL)	Learning technologies (BETI, LT)	Learning strategies (VDU, LT)	Assessment strategies (UA, PT)	Culture models (2/2) (JYU, FI)
Assignment	1	2	2	2	2	2	1
Portfolio	Moodle portfolio as a required part for international, intercultural experience record – as a learning outcome for culture model sub-module						
Weight	8,33	16,66	16,66	16,66	16,66	16,66	8,33

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Opening Universities for Virtual Mobility.

Erasmus+
Cooperation for innovation and exchange of good
practices
KA2 – Strategic partnerships for HE





Project scope (organization level)



1. Strategy and management

VM implementation internal rulesBilatral agreements for VM

2. Curriculum designing

- MA study program designed with OER for VM

3. Teacher and academic staff training

- 3 intensive academic staff training mobilities
- Develop OERs and VM modules

4. Support system

- University non- academic staff prepares support systems for VM implementation

- 5. Infrastructure
- 6. Quality assurance
- 7. Marketing, business and communication

- Quality assurance procedures prepared for peer reviewing and application in the future
- openstudies.eu portal implements marketing and communication function







10 - 1 - 2 - 3. Training material for teachers and staff



IO4. VM curriculum (modules) for a MA program (interdisciplinary Education)

- The program is interdisciplinary, covering modules from the field of education, IT, management, etc.
- A unique online program version adapted for VM
- Modules can be used individually or in a set
- Each partner can implement individually or in collaboration after the end of the project
- Intellectual output licencing should be agreed in Kaunas

Modules	Coordinating	Collaborating			
School Leadership	UAb	VMU			
Education for Sustainable Development	UAb	VMU			
Pedagogy of online education	UAb	UNIOVI UNIPV			
Human computer interaction	UNIPV	UNIOVI			
Web Ethics	UNIPV	VMU			
Narrative Ethics <u>Summary</u>	UNIPV	VMU			
Management of Education Innovations	VMU	UNIOVI, UAb			
Curriculum Designing and Management	VMU	UNIOVI			
Adult Education Concept	VMU	UNIPV			
Intercultural education and communication	VMU	UNIPV			
Learning, Development and Personality	UNIOVI	VMU			
Education in Information and Communication Technologies	UNIOVI	VMU, UNIPV, UAb			
Control of Computer Network and Services	University of Siauliai				



Program unique features

- VM curriculum designed in collaborative way
- Curriculum online and adapted to VM 10 modules for MA program
- 1/3 of the modules is developed as OER
- Open culture licence is used for OER
- The program modules will be offered for VM exchange and bilateral institutional agreements will be signed for VM recognition

IO − 5. ICT platform for MA program OER







How VM contributes to open professional cooperation?

Enhances internationalization of studies

Encourages online idea and good practice sharing and collaboration

Expands geography of learning environment

Establishes interinstitutional trust – based relationships Contributes to cultural/intercultural exchange and awareness of others

Solves the problems of time, distance and financial resources

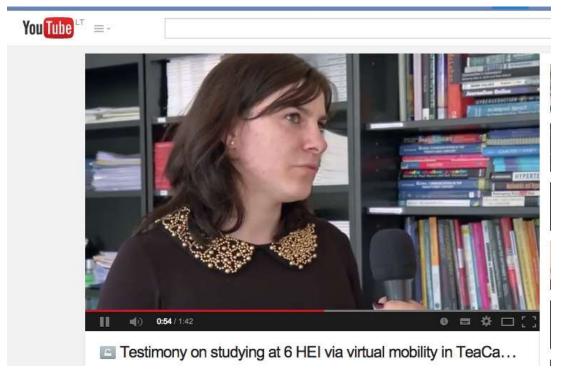








Testimonies



Must be considered - if sustainable development is addressed



- Transfer of innovation should be made assessing all impact factors
- Transferring innovations "per se" can cause a lot of negative consequences
 - sometimes crucial for an organization
- Open sharing/ open professional collaboration can be a solution to prevent high risk of innovation uptake

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