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REFORMING DOCTORAL EDUCATION IN ARMENIA IN LINE WITH NEEDS OF ACADEMIA, INDUSTRY AND CURRENT EU PRACTICES (ARMDOCT)

Event Title: Developing the National Policies and Regulations of Doctoral Education

4-6 March, 2021

[Kecharis Hotel and Resort](#)

Orbeli Brothers Street 20
Tsaghkadzor, 2310
Republic of Armenia

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4 March 2021

Kecharis Hotel and Resort, Tsaghkadzor

Working language of the day: **English**

AM time	Activity	Format
08:30-10:30	Transfer to the hotel, check-in	
10:30-11:00	Registration of participants	
	<i>Chair of the day 1: Arevik Ohanyan, Coordinator of the ARMDOCT project, Director of the EIU Research Incubator</i>	
11:00-11:30	<p>Opening session: Welcoming Notes</p> <p>Karen Trchunyan <i>Deputy Minister, Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport MESCS vision for Doctoral Education</i></p> <p>Lana Karlova <i>Programme Coordinator, National Erasmus + Office in Armenia</i></p>	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online)
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break	
12:00-12:40	<p>Round Table: Internationalization of Doctoral Education <i>Prof. Tatjana Bulajeva, Associate professor at Education Department of Vilnius University</i></p> <p><i>Prof. Barbara Barboni, Full professor in Veterinary Physiology, University of Teramo</i> <i>Dario Compagnone, Deputy Rector for Research, Coordinator of PhD in Food Sciences, University of Teramo</i></p>	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online)
12:40-13:00	Q&A	
13:00-13:40	<p><i>Prof. Eduardo Cardoso, Researcher, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the task force on Knowledge Transfer and of the Services to Companies at Faculty of Biotechnology, Portuguese Catholic University</i></p> <p><i>Prof. Guillaume Rousset, Senior Lecturer in Law, Jean-Moulin Lyon 3 University</i></p>	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online)
13:40-14:00	Q&A	
14:00-15:00	Lunch	
15:00-15:15	<p>Activities of WP 2: Development of Policy, Legal Framework for Doctoral Education <i>Kristina Tsaturyan, Leader of WP 2, Head of External Affairs and International Cooperation, Yerevan V. Brusov State University of Languages and Social Sciences</i></p>	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online)
15:15-16:30	<p>Presentation of National Policy for development of Doctoral Education in Armenia (NPD)</p> <p><i>Drafting Team Coordinator</i> <i>Konstantin Yenkovyan, Vice-rector for Science, Yerevan State Medical University (YSMU)</i></p> <p><i>Drafting team members</i> <i>Rafael Barkhudaryan, Vice Rector of Natural and Exact Sciences, Yerevan State University</i> <i>Armine Avetisyan, Armine Avetisyan, Head of Research and Innovation Centre, National Polytechnic University of Armenia</i> <i>Tigran Miqayelyan, Acting Head of the Chair of Romano-Germanic Languages, Armenian State Pedagogical University</i></p>	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online)
16:30-17:00	Coffee Break	
17:00-18:00	Plenary: Feedback, presentation of each group, Q&A (AM and EU partners)	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online)
18:00-20:00	Dinner	



5 March 2021

Kecharis Hotel and Resort, Tsaghkadzor

Working language of the day: **Armenian** (with an exception of plenary session)

AM time	Activity	Format
09:00-10:00	Breakfast	
10:00-10:15	Registration of participants	
	<i>Chair of the day 2: Tatevik Gharibyan, Senior Specialist, Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports</i>	
10:15-10:30	<i>Plenary Session: Summarizing the first day outcomes, presenting the activities of the second day</i> <i>Arevik Ohanyan, Coordinator of the ARMDOCT project</i> <i>Konstantin Yenkovyan, Coordinator of the Drafting Team</i>	Face to face, AM partners
10:30-11:30	Presentations Admission <i>Konstantin Yenkovyan, Vice-rector for Science, Yerevan State Medical University (YSMU)</i> Teaching and Research <i>Marianna Harutyunyan, Head of International Cooperation Unit, Armenian State Pedagogical University</i> Defense <i>Atom Mkhitaryan, Dean of International Scientific Educational Centre, National Academy of Sciences</i> University-Industry Collaboration <i>Armine Avetisyan, Head of Research and Innovation Centre, National Polytechnic University of Armenia</i>	Face to face, AM partners EU partners to receive the presentations in advance
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break	
12:00-13:00	<i>Discussing the policy and regulation recommendations in groups (3 types of groups, 8 members in each):</i> <i>Group Roles</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Innovators: Encourage imagination and contribute new and alternative perspectives and ideas</i> • <i>Devil's Advocates/Challenger: raise counterarguments and (constructive) objections, introduce alternative explanations and solutions</i> • <i>Harmonizers: strive to create a harmonious and positive atmosphere and reach consensus</i> 	Face to face AM partners
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-16:00	Discussing the policy and regulation recommendations in groups (CONTINUED)	Face to face AM partners
16:00-16:30	Coffee Break	
16:30-18:00	Plenary: Feedback, presentation of each group, Q&A (AM and EU partners)	Hybrid (AM partners face to face, EU partners online) Language of plenary session: English
18:00-20:00	Dinner	



6 March 2021

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Working language of the day: **Armenian**

AM time	Activity	Format
09:00-10:00	Breakfast	
10:00-10:15	Registration of participants	
	<i>Chair of the day 3: Ruben Topchyan</i> <i>Director of the National Center for Professional Education Quality Assurance, Erasmus + Higher Education Reform Expert</i>	
10:15-10:30	<i>Collaborative Doctoral Education in Armenia: revealing best practices and cases, planning for future</i> Keynote Speaker: Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia Vahan Kerobyan	
10:30-12:00	Ruben Aghgashyan <i>National Polytechnic University of Armenia, Acting Rector</i> <i>“University-industry collaboration cases: obstacles and opportunities”</i> Vardan Urutyun <i>Armenian National Agrarian University, Rector</i> <i>“University-industry collaboration cases: obstacles and opportunities”</i> Gagik Makaryan <i>Chairman, Republican Union of Employers of Armenia</i> <i>“Initiating university-industry collaborations in developing countries”</i> Q&A	Face to face AM partners
12:00-12:30	Coffee Break	
12:30-14:00	Dr. Vazgen Melikyan <i>Director, Synopsys Armenia Educational Department</i> <i>“Linking Science and Economy”</i> Arthur Poqrikyan <i>Enterprise Incubator Foundation (EIF)</i> <i>“Collaborative Doctoral Education: obstacles and opportunities”</i> Fast Foundation <i>Veronika Aghajanyan, FAST foundation, Program Coordinator</i> <i>“Benefits and outcomes of collaborative doctoral education”</i> Q&A	Face to face AM partners
14:00-14:15	Closing Remarks	
14:15-15:30	Lunch	
15:30-18:00	Networking and free time	
18:00-19:00	Dinner	