

General Assembly of TEMPUS BME-ENA Project

Within the project TEMPUS-JPCR nr.543904-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-GR-TEMPUSJPCR Education in Biomedical Engineering, TEMPUS IV Initiative for Eastern Neighborhood countries (TEMPUS BME-ENA), on 24 to 25 of September 2015, the General Meeting of the members of the consortium, which were represented: TUM; USMF „N.Testemițanu”; University of Patras, Greece; Vrije University in Brussels, Belgium; West Pomeranian University of Technology, Szczecin, Poland; University of Ljubljana, Serbia; Medical University of Iasi, Romania and Erevan, Armenia; Technical Universities in Varna, Bulgaria; Georgia; Kiev, Ukraine and so on - a total of 18 universities from 12 European countries. The project objective is to promote and improve biomedical engineering education in Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine, in accordance with EU policies in the high education. From Republic of Moldova is participating TUM - responsible for project implementation and USMF „N. Testemițanu” - ensuring teaching of medical disciplines. The project duration is three years (2014-2016). Welcoming the project partners at the completion of planned activities for two years under TEMPUS BME-ENA, rector academician Ion BOSTAN noted that UTM was the initiator of joining the TEMPUS projects, financed by the EU by the Erasmus+ program . During 20 years, Moldovan educational institutions received grants worth over 15 millions of Euro. Through this open door in the EU by TEMPUS, by participating in the ministerial meetings, study visits, capacity building training, providing equipment, educational components, software and so on, it was covered a huge gap in staff training formed after the collapse of the USSR. It will be put into operation an efficient logistic support for training of engineers in biomedicine. In connection with the inauguration of the

National Center for Biomedical Engineering (CNIB), rector thanked the National Office of Erasmus + Moldova project for construction cooperation and support, and the team from the department of microelectronics and biomedical engineering (CMIB), headed by its indefatigable leader dr., prof. dr. Victor ȘONTEA - for arranging training platforms. Attending the event, Gheorghe ȚURCANU, vice Minister of Health, pointed out that the Ministry appreciates the TUM effort in training engineers in biomedicine. Over 80 specialists trained to CMIB

laboratory. Subsequently, acad. Ion BOSTAN signed the Additional Protocol, extending for a further period of eight years the cooperation agreement between TUM and UMF „Gh. Popa” from Iași. Considering the importance of CNIB, prof. Victor ȘONTEA, the national project coordinator, mentioned: "Over a decade, through TEMPUS projects, department developed and implemented BA and Masters in biomedical engineering compatible with European requirements and labor market requirements, constituted network of postgraduate studies in biomedical engineering, published various teaching materials, stands,



ensure good functioning of modern equipment for providing biomedical services from endowment of medical institutions. Moreover, In TUM laboratories are improving their skills and doctors, nurses, bioengineers. The event culminated with the inauguration of the National Center for Biomedical Engineering. In the presence of members of the consortium, acad. Ion BOSTAN, Gheorghe ȚURCANU and dr. Zhivco BLIZNAKOV, vice coordinator of TEMPUS BME-ENA from the EU, they cut the inaugural ribbon, and prof. Victor Sontea invited the audience to visit the halls of CNIB, laboratory "T. Șișianu " and the functional diagnostic

initiated continuing training of biomedical service providers. Over 130 students, MA and Ph.D., subordinated CMIB, and students posted by public health institutions will study various devices and appliances, will perform laboratory work and a valuable exchange of experience. The activities continue. The activities continue. The project will end in 2016, and 90 reports from 20 countries attending the conference ICNBME-2015 are evidence of international recognition of the Moldovan school of biomedical engineering.