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Dear readers and colleagues,

It is my pleasure to present the fifth edition of our publication mapping and presenting higher education landscape in Slovakia. The main aim of this activity is to inform our international partners, including students and their parents about structures and developments in the Slovak higher education system in the last years and about current activities of Slovak universities and schools of higher education. We present activities in education, science, research and arts that were regarded by the institutions themselves as the mostly interesting and valuable.

The mission of the Slovak universities and schools of higher education, as set by the law, is to develop and cultivate knowledge, wisdom, goodness and creativity and contribute to the development of education, science, culture and health for the welfare of the whole society. The academic tradition in Slovakia is dating back to medieval ages when *studium generale* was established in present Bratislava in 1465 within the capacity of Universitatis Istropolitana. The university tradition continued with the Jesuits universities in the 17th century in the royal towns of Trnava and Košice, the only functional universities in Hungarian kingdom at that period. Later the Miner’s Academy was established in Banská Štiavnica (1762) as one of the most modern technological schools in this era. In the next centuries the above-mentioned universities were moved to other parts of the Hungarian kingdom outside present Slovakia. Modern universities were founded after the establishment of the Czechoslovak republic. This year we commemorated 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Comenius University in Bratislava (1919), that is the oldest and biggest of present Slovak universities.

At present, there are 20 public, 3 state and 12 private universities and schools of higher education in Slovakia. Seven of them were labeled as research universities by the Ministry of education, science, research and sports of the SR this year. These were the Comenius university in Bratislava, the Pavol Jozef Šafárik university in Košice, the Slovak university of technology in Bratislava, the Slovak university of agriculture in Nitra, the Technical university of Košice, the Technical university in Zvolen and the Trnava university in Trnava. But there are many more comprehensive, technical and other specialized schools of higher education that offer quality education and perform quality research at its scientific parks, centres of excellence, research centres, competences centres. There were identified 54 teams at Slovak universities by the Slovak Accreditation Committee in the previous period, that performed excellent research and artistic activities. Slovakia has joined European Higher Education Area in 1999 and has implemented Bologna process from on. Slovakia has also signed and ratified The Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region.

Dr. h. c. prof. Ing. Rudolf Kropil, PhD.
President of the Slovak Rectors’ Conference

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About the Slovak Rectors‘ Conference

Slovak Rectors’ Conference (SRC) is one of the three bodies representing higher education institutions in Slovakia according to law No. 131/2002 of the Law code on higher education. The main aim of SRC is to coordinate and promote activities of rectors in order to create a common higher education policy. Among these main activities one can find discussions and formulations of opinions on substantive issues related to the higher education policy, proposals of generally binding legal norms that are directly affecting higher education institutions or applicable legal standards. SRC creates an environment for cooperation of rectors and of universities and schools of higher education in Slovakia and for mutual flow of information among them. Furthermore, SRC establishes and maintains contacts with foreign partners as are rectors’ associations in other countries. SRC is a collective full member of the European University Association (“EUA”).

The Slovak Rectors’ Conference is represented by its president Professor Rudolf Kropil. The presidium is an executive body that consists of a president and up to four vice-presidents, at present Professor Lucia Kurilovská, Professor Pavol Sovák and Professor Libor Vozár.

Over the past years, SRC has coordinated its activities around topics that were considered to be of the highest importance for rectors and their institutions: quality assurance and enhancement, funding and legal frameworks, or science, research and arts at higher education institutions.
Higher education system in the Slovak Republic

The general prerequisite for admission to higher education study is a secondary school-leaving certificate (vysvedčenie o maturitnej skúške) issued after passing the secondary school-leaving examination taken upon completing 13 (or, exceptionally, 12) years of study. Higher education institutions organise as a rule an admission examination.

Study at higher education institutions

Higher education institutions provide study programmes at three levels:

1. Bachelor’s study programme with a duration of three or four years in full-time mode and four or five years in part-time mode.

2. Magister’s, Engineer’s and Doctor’s study programmes. The duration of study is one, two or three years in full-time mode and two, three or four years in part-time mode. They may also be provided as integrated study programmes combining the first and the second level of higher education. The duration of study programmes combining the first and the second level of higher education is five or six years in full-time mode and seven or eight years in part-time mode.

3. PhD. study programme. The standard duration is three or four years in full-time mode and four or five years in part-time mode.

Higher education institutions award the following academic degrees:

1st level (NQF/EQF Level: 6)
• bakalár (Bc.)

2nd level (NQF/EQF Level: 7)
• magister (Mgr.), in the field of art magister umenia (Mgr. art.)
• inžinier (Ing.) in technical, agricultural and economic fields of Engineer’s programmes, and in the field of architecture and town-planning the academic degree of inžinier architekt (Ing. arch.)
• doktor všeobecného lekárstva (MUDr.) in the field of general humane medicine
• doktor zubného lekárstva (MDDr.) in the field of dentist humane medicine
• doktor veterinárskeho lekárstva (MVDr.) in the field of veterinary medicine

3rd level (NQF/EQF Level: 8)
• doktor – philosophiae doctor (PhD.)
• doktor umenia – artis doctor (ArtD.)
• licenciat teológie (ThLic.) after completing the first comprehensive part of the PhD. study in the field of catholic theology
Examina rigorosa

The holders of the academic degree of magister may take examina rigorosa, which includes the defence of a rigorosa thesis. After its successful completion, higher education institutions award the following academic degrees:

- doktor prirodnych vied (RNDr.)
- doktor farmacie (PharmDr.)
- doktor filozofie (PhDr.)
- doktor pravy (JUDr.)
- doktor pedagogiky (PaedDr.)
- doktor teologie (ThDr.)

Credit system (since academic year 2002/2003)

The standard workload of a student studying in full-time mode is expressed as 60 credits per academic year, 30 credits per semester and 20 credits per trimester. The standard workload of a student studying in part-time mode is expressed as 48 credits maximum, depending on the standard duration of the study programme and the number of credits required for its completion.

The grading is on a scale of A-FX:

- A (excellent) = 1 (outstanding performance)
- B (very good) = 1,5 (above average performance)
- C (good) = 2 (average performance)
- D (satisfactory) = 2,5 (acceptable performance)
- E (sufficient) = 3 (performance fulfils only the minimum requirements)
- FX (unsatisfactory) = 4 (performance does not fulfil even the minimum requirements)

The higher education institution or faculty, if the study programme is provided by a faculty, may in selected subjects decide not to assign grades to assess students but to set other criteria for the successful completion of subjects as a condition for the award of credits.

A weighted grade point average is used to measure a student’s overall academic performance in a given period of time. It is calculated for a given period of time by dividing the sum of credits earned by the student for all registered subjects, each multiplied by the numerical value of the grade received for each subject, by the total number of credits registered by the student in a given period. Subjects not completed by the student are assigned a grade of 4 in the calculation of the weighted grade point average. The subjects not assessed by grades are not included in the calculation of the weighted grade point average.

The academic year starts on September 1 of the current year and ends on August 31 of the following year. It is composed of two semesters (winter and summer) or of three trimesters. The organisation of the academic year is set by the statute of the
faculty or the statute of the higher education institution, if the higher education institution is not divided into faculties.

### Chart of the Higher Education System in the Slovak Republic

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Text and Chart: Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic
Comenius University in Bratislava

Address
Šafárikovo nám. 6, SK – 814 99 Bratislava

Established in 1919

**SHORT DESCRIPTION:** Comenius University in Bratislava is a modern European university. The centennial of its establishment was celebrated in 2019. It is the only Slovak university to regularly appear in global rankings of the world’s best universities. The university has thirteen faculties and provides the largest number of study programmes (more than 800) in Slovakia at three levels. Several of these programmes are unique in the country. The university provides tuition in a wide range of human knowledge, in medicine, humanities and the social sciences, the natural sciences, mathematics, and even theology. Comenius University is a research institution which supports hundreds of domestic and international scientific projects. Every year Comenius University sends the largest number of students abroad from among Slovak universities. They go to around fifty countries. Comenius University also hosts the largest number of students in Slovakia, with students coming from places such as Germany, Norway, Greece, Iran, Austria, and Iceland.

**LIST OF FACULTIES:**
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Natural Sciences
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Pharmacy
- Faculty of Physical Education and Sport
- Jessenius Faculty of Medicine in Martin
- Faculty of Mathematics, Physics, and Informatics
- Faculty of Roman Catholic Theology of Cyril and Methodius
- Evangelical Lutheran Theological Faculty
- Faculty of Management
- Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences

**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS:** Comenius University ranks among the top 2% of the world’s best universities, as evidenced by its placement in global rankings such as URAP, CWUR, RUR, THE WUR, and others. The highest concentration of top scientific teams in Slovakia operates at the university. The top twenty-six scientific teams at Comenius University passed a multi-level evaluation and met the Accreditation Commission’s demanding criteria, and they form almost half of the 54 teams at all Slovak universities. Scientific centres at
the university include the Comenius University Science Park, which aim is to transfer the results of science and technology in the fields of biomedicine, biotechnology, environmental medicine, and interdisciplinary research into economic and social practice. There is also the Laboratory of Advanced Technologies, which focuses on research into biomaterials, sensorics, superconductivity, and hard films and coatings; the BioMed Martin Centre for Biomedicine, which has excellent instruments focusing on applied research; and the Centre for Nuclear and Accelerator Technologies.

The university is also strengthening its international profile through its active membership in international organizations such as the European University Association, the Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe, the Utrecht Network (a network of prominent European universities), and the Danube Rectors’ Conference. The university’s faculties are involved in several Horizon 2020-funded projects dealing with the natural sciences, physics, law, the social sciences, and the humanities. In 2018 Comenius University projects were funded to a total of €9,555,810. Domestic grants came primarily from the Slovak Research and Development Agency, which supported 231 projects based at Comenius University in 2018, as well as the Scientific Grant Agency of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research, and Sport of the Slovak Republic and the Slovak Academy of Sciences, which supported 343 such projects. Alongside the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, Comenius University is part of the Accord project, worth €111 million, which is part of the Research and Innovation operational programme’s financial plan approved by the Slovak Government and the European Commission to improve university capacity and competences in research, development, and innovation.
Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice

Address
Šrobárova 2, SK – 041 80 Košice

Established in 1959

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice is a public and research-oriented university and as the second oldest classic university in Slovakia was established in 1959 developing the tradition of the Universitas Cassoviensis founded in 1657. At present, the university provides education to more than 7,000 students in 105 BA, 73 MA and 45 PhD programmes. The university offers also interdisciplinary certified courses to promote the openness and connectedness of the study programmes. The students can also use the services of the University Library, the Centre for Information and Communication Technologies and the Botanical Garden. The university has more than 2,500 accommodation places and catering services near the city centre.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Public Administration
- Faculty of Science
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Composed of five faculties, the Pavol Jozef Šafárik University (UPJŠ) also embodies the multiculturalism that Slovakia values deeply. Of its 7,000 students, around 20% are from more than 50 countries across the globe. Among the benefits of studying at UPJŠ is the possibility of obtaining a double degree with one of UPJŠ’s more than 200 partner universities around the world. This extensive network of partners has helped to raise the global profile of the university, which is ranked among the country’s top 3. UPJŠ also takes pride in the strength of its interdisciplinary research and transfer of technology that results from that research, apart from the intellectual property protection in which its Faculty of Law excels in collaboration with the private industry, the university set up science parks for biomedical research (MediPark), information technology (TECHNICOM), the Research Centre for Advanced Materials and Technologies (Promatech), and the Technology and Innovation Park. The university also has an established support system for start-up and spin-off companies, thanks to the rapid growth of those sectors in Košice and the surrounding region.
Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava

Address
Vazovova 5, 812 43 Bratislava

Established in 1937

SHORT DESCRIPTION: Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava (STU) is the best university with the focus on technology in Slovakia. Education is based on scientific research and focused on practical industrial needs. Approximately 250 research projects contracted by industry and over 740 grant-funded research projects are handled annually. Through its own university incubator and its support for the development of innovative technological start-ups. Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava offers 400 study programmes in the field of study Architecture and Urbanism, Civil & Structural Engineering, Computer Science & Information Systems, Chemical Engineering, Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Materials Science and Mathematics.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Civil Engineering
• Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
• Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
• Faculty of Chemical and Food Technology
• Faculty of Architecture
• Faculty of Materials Science and Technology in Trnava
• Faculty of Informatics and Information Technologies
RESEARCH UNIVERSITY

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The STU is a research-oriented university with strong cooperation with industry and international relationships significantly contributing to development of scientific knowledge, enrichment and utilisation of scientific knowledge for the benefit of mankind. The university pursues research in all the areas in which university education is provided.

The STU faculties, departments, institutes and experts cooperate directly with industrial companies and social and academic organisations, actively taking part in international cooperation. Research greatly enhances the educational and research activities by reflecting the current need to provide unique solutions to the acute engineering problems and accelerate transfer of knowledge. Research activities of the university are financially secured by national science and research programmes. The university also takes opportunity to join European science and technology cooperation programmes, primarily from the Framework Programme of the EU for research and innovation – Horizon 2020.

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1,280 scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
11,000 students in 2019/20
Technical University of Košice

Address
Letná 9, SK – 042 00 Košice

Established in 1952

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Technical University of Košice (TUKE) is a public university not only technically oriented in the field of engineering, but also economics and arts. It provides higher education in all three levels of higher education within 195 bachelors’, 179 masters’ and 192 doctorate programmes with awarding an accredited university degree. For 67 years of its existence, it has become a leading and respected research-oriented public university providing high-quality education based on research, scientific, artistic and other creative activities in many specializations in Central Europe.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
- Faculty of Mining, Ecology, Process Control and Geotechnologies
- Faculty of Materials, Metallurgy and Recycling
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Informatics
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Manufacturing Technologies
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Aeronautics
The growth of education, research and development is substantially supported by EU Structural funds. Since 2008, TUKE has implemented 57 projects from the EU Structural funds (total budget of € 201.8 million). At present, TUKE conducts 249 national projects (VEGA, KEGA, APVV, etc.).

The university is involved in international scientific research cooperation, which has resulted in 73 international projects (H2020, ERASMUS+, COST, ERDF Central Europe, Tempus, INTERREG, CEEPUS, Norwegian Financial Mechanisms, etc.). Effective transfer of research and development outcomes is supported by University centre for innovation, technology transfer and intellectual property protection.

University Science Park TECHNICOM, TUKE Startup Centre and TUKE Incubator are important part of scientific structure of university. TUKE has signed 112 university cooperation agreements and 310 Erasmus+ programme bilateral agreements with partners in 21 EU countries, Turkey and Macedonia as well as 31 Erasmus+ programme bilateral agreements with partner countries.
Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra

Address
Tr. A. Hlinku 2, SK – 949 76 Nitra

Established in 1952

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra (SUA) is a public university that has been preparing specialists across the agrarian and food sector since 1952. In 2015, the Accreditation Commission ranked SUA among the seven best universities in Slovakia. In 2019, SUA is one of 7 “research universities” in Slovakia. According to the current worldwide evaluation of SCIMAGO Institutions Rankings 2019, SUA is the third best university in Slovakia out of 14 evaluated universities. SUA is also ranked by Times Higher Education World University Ranking.

Educational and research profile of SUA is characterized by the main pillars of classical fields of study in agriculture and landscaping, food industry, biology, biotechnology, engineering, ecological and environmental sciences, economics and management. There are 104 accredited study programmes, twelve of them in English.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Agrobiology and Food Resources
• Faculty of Biotechnology and Food Sciences
• Faculty of Economics and Management
• Faculty of Engineering
• Faculty of Horticulture and Landscape Engineering
• Faculty of European Studies and Regional Development
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SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Scientific research orientation of SUA covers a wide range of agricultural, technical, social and economic sciences in the field of basic and applied research. The AgroBioTech Research Centre plays a significant role as a university-wide, specialized facility which performs concentrated innovative research in the relevant fields aimed at conducting new methods and procedures in research, especially within applied research, with the important goal of transferring its results into practice. In the area of project activities, SUA is involved in a wide range of both educational and research projects including HORIZON 2020 programme. The university has 180 bilateral agreements within the Erasmus+ Programme and 113 inter-university cooperation agreements worldwide. SUA is a member of the Global Consortium for Higher Education in Agriculture, European University Association, Danube Rectors’ Conference, Association for European Life Science Universities and is a founding member of Visegrad University Association. SUA also cooperates with OECD.

438 scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
5,721 students in 2019/20
Technical University in Zvolen

Address
T. G. Masaryka 24, SK – 960 01 Zvolen

Established in 1952

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Technical University in Zvolen (TUZVO) is a modern higher education institution providing education in all three levels of studies within the European Higher Education and Research Area. In the higher education system in Slovakia, the TUZVO has a unique specialisation within a focus on the fields of forest – wood – ecology – environment with an appropriate expansion in other technical, natural, security, economics as well as design.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Forestry
• Faculty of Wood Sciences and Technology
• Faculty of Ecology and Environmental Sciences
• Faculty of Technology

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The Technical University in Zvolen with its research activities covers the fields of forest – wood – product – the environment in all their diversity, including the disposal of products after the time of their serviceability. At the same time, it pays attention to ecological impacts upon the nature and landscape protection as well as the technical provision.
of these spheres. Individual departments solve tasks of basic and applied research mainly within the Slovak research and development agency and Scientific and Education grant agencies projects. The university is intensively engaged in international scientific projects, mostly through the EU Framework Programmes and COST schemes.

International cooperation includes participation in international structures as well as bilateral agreements. The university is a member of the European University associations. It becomes actively involved in IUFRO and EFI scientific activities. The university is involved in EU international activities in the field of education mainly through Erasmus+ and CEEPUS programmes.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: Historical Trnava University (1635), established by Cardinal Peter Pázmaň, represents one of the oldest universities in Slovakia. In 1777, it was moved to Buda. The present Trnava University was re-opened in July 1992 as an offspring of freedom gained after the Velvet Revolution (1989). Trnava University is one of the most prestigious universities in Slovakia. University complies with principles of the Magna Charta Universitatum and Christian principles, promoting and teaching truth, freedom and humanitarian ideals of mankind, protecting moral and spiritual values and educating students in the spirit of ecumenism, tolerance and mutual respect.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Philosophy and Arts
• Faculty of Education
• Faculty of Health Sciences and Social Work
• Faculty of Theology in Bratislava
• Faculty of Law
Public Higher Education Institutions

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: In October 2019, Trnava University received a status of the research university by the ministry of education. Scientific research in various areas is realized by national and international grant schemes; projects are focused on migration, language, communication competences, ecology, counter-terrorism, labour law, etc.

The university has signed more than 60 agreements on international cooperation to develop pedagogical, research and cultural relationships, and 35 Erasmus+ bilateral agreements.

The university is a member of the European University Association (EUA), Danube rector’s conference (DRC), European Association of Erasmus Coordinators (EAEC), Magna Charta Universitatum (MCU), and others. University was awarded winner of the National Prize of Slovak Republic Quality Award 2016.

In 2019, Trnava University and eight others universities signed a memorandum aimed to create a universities’ consortium to strengthen cooperation in education, research, and art.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Academy of Performing Arts (VŠMU) with about 1000 students is the largest artistic educational institution in the Slovak Republic. Students can develop their talents and skills in theatre, film, music and dance in bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degree programs. The Academy’s objective is to offer deep understanding of the European cultural context as well as the specific qualities of Slovak art and culture. Graduates of the Academy of Performing Arts have become leading personalities of Slovak cultural life, many of whom are teachers at the Academy. Study programs are regularly updated to meet the latest standards in the profession. Theatre and dance performances, film screenings, concerts of students and teachers are open to the general public. School public activities form an integral part of Slovak culture.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
- Film and Television Faculty (FTF)
- Music and Dance Faculty (HTF)
- Theatre Faculty (DF)
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The Academy of Performing Arts has three major art scenes (LAB Theatre, Klap Cinema and Dvorana Concert Hall), open to the public, presenting the results of artistic and scientific research. Every year it offers about 350 public events for more than 20,000 visitors. Research is also conducted at the Department of Audio-visual Studies at the FTF, the Department of Music Theory and Dramaturgy at the HTF, and the Department of Theatre Studies at the DF. Employees of the Academy are involved in many projects, cooperating with the Slovak Academy of Sciences, the Slovak Film Institute and the Theatre Institute and with several music and dance institutions. The projects are focused on the reflection of Slovak art, new trends in the arts and humanities and the history of Slovak art. Doctoral lecturers and students actively participate in research conferences, seminars, workshops, master classes and other artistic projects. The Academy has a cooperation agreement with 105 partner schools and is involved in the E + Mobility Program (including the KA7 Participating Countries Program), Erasmus Mundus and the E + KA2 Strategic Partnership Program.
The University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice

Address
Komenského 73, SK – 041 81 Košice

Established in 1949

SHORT DESCRIPTION: University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice (UVMP) is a public university offering the first and second joined degree study programmes in General Veterinary Medicine (study also in English provided to more than 280 foreign students), Food Hygiene and Pharmacy. University offers education of the first degree in Cynology, Man-Animal Relationship and its use in Canistherapy and Hipotherapy, and Safety of Feeds and Foodstuffs and related study programme of the second degree – the Market and Quality of Foodstuffs. Higher education of the third degree is provided in 14 accredited programmes. UVMP is an approved and accredited veterinary university according to the criteria of the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE). At the time of its accreditation, UVMP was included among only 12 veterinary establishments (out of 96 in total) which then enjoyed the same prestigious status. The university meets the EU standards and awarded diplomas are valid in all Member States of the European Union. The university offers its students a high level of practical preparation, and permanent diagnostic and medical contact with animals.
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Scientific activities at UVMP in Košice are focused primarily on diseases of agricultural and companion animals, protection of the environment for animals and people, production of healthy, non-harmful foodstuffs and pharmaceutical research. A confirmation of the quality of scientific, research and educational activities of the university is its repeated evaluation by recognized authorities on the national and international levels. International cooperation is carried out in the framework of the university’s active membership in the European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education, the European Veterinary Network of Students Staff Transfer and Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges.
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Tr. A. Hlinku 1, SK – 949 74 Nitra

Established in 1959

SHORT DESCRIPTION: Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra (UKF) is the sixth largest public university in Slovakia formed as a modern European educational, scientific and artistic institution. UKF currently offers 6 accredited single-major and 29 double-major teacher training study programs, 67 Bachelor’s and Master’s study programs and 36 Doctoral study programs. The uniqueness of UKF in education is represented by teacher training programmes in Hungarian and the training of teachers, social workers and public education for Roma ethnicity. The university also provides lifelong education particularly as complementary pedagogical study, extended study and interest study within the Third Age University.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Arts
• Faculty of Central European Studies
• Faculty of Education
• Faculty of Natural Sciences
• Faculty of Social Sciences and Health Care
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The most significant international research projects are HBM4E – European Human Biomonitoring Initiative and SPOT – Social and Innovative Platform on Cultural Tourism and Its Potential towards deepening Europeanisation (financed under the H2020).

Research at UKF is funded and organized through the grant schemes:

- Institutional resources available in the University Grant Agency (UGA) for the employees under 35 years of age and PhD students in full-time study;
- Resources from the national grant agencies – APVV, VEGA and KEGA;
- Non-departmental resources – Ministry of Culture, Government Office and the institutions of the Nitra Region;
- International resources – FP7, Horizon 2020, Comenius, Erasmus+, International Visegrad Fund etc.;
- Resources from the EU structural funds and their operational programs.

UKF has 75 Bilateral Agreements of Academic Cooperation, 427 Erasmus+ bilateral agreements, sends and receives students and staff within the EU and national schemes of mobility programmes and agreements and guest teachers through British Council, Goethe Institute, French Institute, Fulbright Commission, DAAD etc.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: Taking into account both quantitative and qualitative indicators, the University of Žilina belongs to the most significant universities in Slovakia on a long-term basis. The university provides higher education in all three degrees of study – Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral in both full-time and part-time forms. Its professional profile makes the University of Žilina unique among Slovak universities. It includes transport (road, railway, water, air), transport and postal services, communications, roadway and building construction, electrical engineering, telecommunications, informatics, information and communication technologies, management and marketing, mechanical engineering, materials and technologies, robotics, machinery design, energies, civil engineering, crisis and security management, civil security, fire protection, forensic engineering, applied mathematics, teacher training, library and information sciences, social pedagogy and high mountain biology. Approximately 85,000 students have graduated from the university. Almost 8,000 students are enrolled in all study programmes. The university has established contacts with many universities abroad (USA, Mexico, Brasil, China, Korea Japan…), its teachers and researchers participate in international education and research programmes, international, national and bilateral projects.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Operation and Economics of Transport and Communications
• Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
• Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
• Faculty of Civil Engineering
• Faculty of Management Science and Informatics
• Faculty of Security Engineering
• Faculty of Humanities

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The UNIZA research teams with about 688 researchers solve problems of basic and applied research on the national and international levels, with the support of the national research grants and in the international co-operation within the European and other international programmes (e.g. EU 7th Framework Programme, Horizon 2020). The research capacity of the university was 874 000 hours in 2018, which is equivalent to ca 437 full-time workers conducting some scientific research. Individual workplaces obtained for their projects 2 953 550 € from VEGA, KEGA and APVV
grant schemes. Development of technical infrastructure was supported from Structural Funds projects. The university obtained funds for implementation of 17 foreign research projects which is a total of 1,127,564 €. The international cooperation is based on bilateral agreements, contracts and memoranda within the Erasmus+ Programme, some other programmes (NSP, CEEPUS, etc.) and grant schemes supporting foreign activities in the field of higher education, science and research. The UNIZA is a member of the international organisations: EUA, ECTRI, FEHRL, IGIP, Magna Charta Universitatum.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava (AFAD) is a public university. Its student’s and department´s work has been acclaimed not only in Slovakia, but also abroad. AFAD is a fully accredited university providing complete bachelor’s and master’s study programmes in the fields of Fine Arts, Design, Architecture and Restoration. In addition, the doctoral study programmes include the history and theory of Fine Arts and Architecture. Educational activities are based on contemporary trends and practices in the arts and sciences compounded with expert knowledge of techniques across a wide range of artistic activities.

AFAD is not structured into faculties but directly into twelve Departments and a Division of Drawing. This organisation structure enables the Academy to be flexible and open educational institution and to create the interdisciplinary educational environment.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND PROJECTS: AFAD is fully integrated in the international environment, which is demonstrated by student´s mobility (Erasmus+ KA 103 and KA107, CEEPUS, bilateral agreements with
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AFAD is a partner institution, as well as participation on large international events (Neu/Now ELIA, Biennial du Design in Saint-Etienne, Milano Design Week). AFAD is a member of CUMULUS (International Association of Universities and Colleges of Art, Design and Media) and ELIA (European League of Institutes of the Arts).

Every year AFAD participates in several international workshops, exhibitions and symposia, conferences and projects. Among the bigger international projects belongs a four-year project titled Shared Cities: Post-Socialist Cities and Active Citizenship in Central Europe co-founded by the Creative Europe Programme of the European Union. There are two Centres of Excellence at AFAD, the Transport Design led by prof. Štefan Klein and in the field of Intermedia the centre „IN/OUT“ headed by prof. Ilona Németh.

120 scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
627 students in 2019/20
University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava

Address
Námestie J. Herdu 2, SK – 917 01 Trnava

Established in 1997

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius (UCM) provides education in bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral study programmes in various fields: humanities, social, health and natural sciences. Graduates of mass-media communication and physiotherapy have been ranked among the most successful applicants in the labour market. Graduates from the natural sciences usually find their occupation in research institutes. The university is focused on the education of highly qualified graduates in art, philology, mass-media communication, pedagogy, social sciences, physiotherapy, informatics, chemistry, biology and biotechnology. Studying at the University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius is an opportunity for students to develop in the whole range of academic, social and cultural dimensions.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Arts
• Faculty of Mass Media Communications
• Faculty of Natural Sciences
• Faculty of Social Sciences
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava considers the international cooperation as an important part of its activities. UCM has 53 cooperation agreements with the universities and educational institutions worldwide and more than 200 Erasmus inter-institutional agreements. The university is a long-term participant of Erasmus projects (LLP-Erasmus, Erasmus+KA103, Erasmus+ICM, Erasmus+KA2), member of CEEPUS and COST networks. Various grant schemes are utilized by researchers and students. Important outputs refer to bioethics, gene manipulations and research of the single molecule/single ion magnets. The University scientific park involves research laboratories among which the positron emission tomography (PET), gene-modification (GMO), geographic information systems (GIS), chemical / biological / biotechnology labs are the most important. The HD TV studio and the university radio are used as training platforms for mass-media communication.
**SHORT DESCRIPTION:** Matej Bel University (UMB) is a public university and is member of the European University Association. The university offers a classic range of university education opportunities at all three levels and forms of studies in the fields of education, social sciences and humanities, philology, economics, law, politics, international relations and natural sciences including mathematics. In addition, it also provides a number of studies in English and French languages. UMB develops joint study programmes and collaborates with major foreign universities where students have the opportunity to complete part of their studies.

**LIST OF FACULTIES:**
- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Political Science and International Relations
- Faculty of Natural Sciences
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Law

**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS:** Research priorities at the Matej Bel University have been defined based on the MBU Action Plan for years 2015-2020, as well as on national research priorities and Horizon 2020. In recent years a multidisciplinary approach and interfacylty collaboration
have been strengthened. Internationalisation of research is an essential element of most research projects. MBU has been successful in FP7 and H2020 particularly in SSH fields and has an ambition to be the best Slovak university in the SSH international research collaboration. Listed you will find selected research priorities and topics, identified on the basis on existing interfaculty and international research collaboration, and information about research teams, their projects and publications: cultural heritage and creative industries, gender, sustainable cities and regions, public sector innovation, secure societies, inclusive education and science with and for society. Matel Bel University is the first university in the Slovak Republic whose study programmes are a part of the international CFA Institute University Recognition Programme.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The University of Economics in Bratislava (EUBA) currently represents the biggest university in Slovakia which provides complex and integral education in economic and management study programmes at all levels of study.

“Since its establishment, the university’s aim is to be the centre of the economic education and knowledge in Slovakia. The education that is currently in high demand and that has had a long tradition at the university since 1940.”

The EUBA provides education in 61 bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral programmes for full-time and part-time students. All study programmes, including three study programmes which can be studied in English, French and German languages, are accredited and guaranteed by internal teachers of the university. They are compatible with study programmes of similar universities in Europe. This fact had also been confirmed by the results of international evaluation conducted by the European University Association, the member of which is the EUBA as well.

The university also pursues extensive international cooperation with more than 230 universities and colleges in the world and actively involves its teachers into scientific and research activities.

In the field of education, the EUBA aims to provide high-quality economic education particularly in engineering and doctoral study. This determines the university’s managing, but primarily content capacity in drafting forms and types of education, improving the qualification and performance of pedagogical staff and application of modern teaching and study methods for students. In accordance with these aims, the university’s management also adjusts and builds its organizational structure, i.e. faculties and workplaces in the new structure of fields of study and study programmes.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
- Faculty of National Economy
- Faculty of Commerce
- Faculty of Economic Informatics
- Faculty of Business Management
- Faculty of International Relations
- Faculty of Applied Languages
- Faculty of Business Economics with seat in Košice

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Being the largest university – type centre of basic and applied research in economics,
business and management in Slovakia and operating in the European Research Area, EUBA is engaged with its partners on the basis of the Erasmus+ Programme (308 agreements with universities in 37 countries) and the international cooperation platform. It is a member of prestigious international organisations such as the European University Association, the International Association of Universities and the European Doctoral Programmes Association in Management and Business Administration. EUBA as one of the signatories of the Magna Charta Universitatum is in the process of AACSB International accreditation, emphasising engagement, innovation and impact. Thus, EUBA research capacity is often applied to design solutions or to upgrade existing processes for business.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The University of Prešov is the only public university in the Prešov region. It provides the highest standards of academic education to both Slovak and foreign students across a wide range of fields of studies. The university comprises eight faculties that focus on social, natural and theological sciences, sport, the arts, management, healthcare and education. It offers accredited study programmes in bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees. Research is an integral part of the institution, and the results of the related activities are implemented in the teaching processes.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Arts
• Greek-Catholic Theological Faculty
• Faculty of Humanities and Natural Sciences
• Faculty of Management
• Faculty of Education
• Faculty of Orthodox Theology
• Faculty of Sports
• Faculty of Health Care
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SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Research at the University of Prešov is mainly in the areas of social sciences, natural sciences, theological sciences, physical education and sport, management, fine arts and health care. At present, the university is involved in several scientific projects, including Innovation vouchers granted from the Ministry of Economy of the SR and from the Prešov self-governing region, the international V4 projects and also several projects within the Horizon 2020 were submitted. The University of Prešov has established outstanding centres of excellence, namely the Centre for Human and Animal Ecology, the Centre for Socio-Historical Research and the Lingual-Cultural and Translational – Interpretation Centre. The University of Prešov is a member of the European University Association, the Alliance of the Central-Eastern European Universities, the Euro-Mediterranean University (EMUNI) and the University Consortium Africa and Mediterranean. It has signed 85 university cooperation agreements and 426 Erasmus+ programme bilateral agreements with partners in 26 EU countries and Turkey as well as 12 Erasmus+ programme bilateral agreements with partner countries.

570 scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
8,336 students in 2019/20
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Academy of Arts in Banská Bystrica (AU BB) is a public higher education institution of a university type providing education structured within the three-tier ETCS system in the field of professional art. Its core mission is to develop and disseminate education in accredited study programs in the field of theater, music, fine art, film art and multimedia, supporting critical thinking, artistic creativity and research, as well as the values of humanism and tolerance.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
- Faculty of Dramatic Arts
- Faculty of Performing Arts
- Faculty of Fine Arts

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The Academy of Arts in Banská Bystrica is focusing its research on four artistic fields: fine arts, music arts, theatre, film and multimedia. The field of research is focused on accredited study programs within respective faculties. They follow trends in the development of their creative staff and doctoral students in the categories of artistic and publishing
outputs. During its development, the university has become the center of artistic research not only of regional and national but also of international importance. The participation in various bilateral projects and in the ERASMUS+ learning Mobility projects contributes to this as well. Through its activities, the project promoted professional relationships between AU BB and European higher education and arts institutions.

Currently the Academy has 95 cooperation agreements with partner schools within Erasmus+ mobility program (incl. KA3 participating countries program).

Important part of the support of art and art research at the Academy of Arts are funds raised mainly from domestic grant agencies.
Catholic University in Ružomberok

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Hrabovská cesta 1A, SK – 034 01 Ružomberok

Established in 2000

SHORT DESCRIPTION: Catholic University in Ružomberok established in 2000 is a public university of religious character. It performs activities especially in the areas of the humanities, pedagogical, social and health sciences, as well as in the areas of art and management. The motto of Catholic University is “We form minds and hearts”, supporting the integral growth of critical thinking and the development of body, soul and spirit. The university pays attention to offer quality education in a family environment and personal attitude among teachers and students.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Arts and Letter
• Faculty of Education
• Faculty of Health
• Faculty of Theology
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: According to the latest Report of the Academic Ranking and Rating Agency, Catholic University gained the fourfold numbers compared to the Slovak national average of progress based on quality indicators of the Slovak universities. The international cooperation is based on bilateral agreements within the Erasmus+ Programme, some other programmes (NSP, CEEPUS, etc.) and grant schemes supporting activities in the field of higher education, science and research (VEGA, KEGA, INTERREG, etc.). Erasmus+ Programme at Catholic university in Ružomberok is dedicated to the needs in the area of teaching and learning, with more than 100 universities across and outside Europe. Catholic University is a member of the Federation of Catholic Universities of Europe (FUCE).
Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín

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Študentská 2, SK – 911 50 Trenčín

Established in 1997

SHORT DESCRIPTION: Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín is a new, fast growing university providing high-quality education in wide range of scientific disciplines focused on special technology, material and environmental engineering, management, regional economy, political science, healthcare, art and design in all three levels of higher education study – Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral.

Young people will rule the world and so, in addition to education, we give every university student also an opportunity to find personal fulfilment in university leisure-time activities TrenchTown student radio, Alojz Čvach astronomic observatory, Gladiators Trenčín hockey team, University pastoral centre, Student centre and many other sports and cultural activities.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Social and Economic Relations
• Faculty of Special Technology
• Faculty of Health Care
• Faculty of Industrial Technologies
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**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS:** Science and research, the transfer of knowledge gained in this field to education and transfer knowledge into the economy are a very important aspect of our continuous improvement. We successfully concluded a number of research projects and we want to continue in this trend in the future. Currently, our university is the best Slovak university in drawing the EU fund Horizon 2020. We carried out lots of projects from EU structural funds which resulted in the establishment and operation of unique scientific centres:

- Centre of Excellence for Ceramics, Glass and Silicate Materials (CEKSIM)
- Centre of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBO)
- Technology Transfer Centre of Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín (CENTRATECH)
- Centre for Functional and Surface-functionalized Glasses (FUNGLASS).

We are open to foreign students, so we have more and more study programmes in English language. Our university has built Erasmus centre where the students can meet each other and talk about their experience.

180 scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
2,246 students in 2019/20
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The J. Selye University is a public university offering study programmes in natural sciences, computer science, human and social sciences, education and religious services. The faculties of the university offer 18 accredited bachelor’s study programmes (from which 10 are teacher’s study programmes in free combination), 13 accredited master’s study programmes (from which 10 are teacher’s study programmes in free combination), 1 accredited programme which is a combination of bachelor’s and master’s study programme and 4 accredited Ph.D. study programmes. The mission of the university is to prepare experts in education, religion, culture, economy and science for the Hungarian minority living in Slovakia. The aim of the university is to cope with the challenges of the 21st century and to consolidate scientific research activities as it strives to become a competitive institution of international study.
LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Economics
• Faculty of Education
• Reformed Theological Faculty

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The J. Selye University staff’s research activities mainly focus on scientific fields related to accredited study programmes. This research involves combining theory with practice, and is focused primarily on current issues of pedagogy, economics and science. Scientific research projects are designed as a part of international projects supported by the European Structural Funds or the national Scientific Grant Agency (VEGA) and the Cultural and Educational Grant Agency (KEGA). The J. Selye University has bilateral agreements with more than 60 universities. The university is active in the Erasmus+ Programme and 5 CEEPUS networks.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Armed Forces Academy of General Milan Rastislav Štefánik (AFA) as a state university is the only educational institution in the Slovak Republic which provides military professionals with academic background in order to prepare them for military service. The AFA provides university studies with all three levels of education in four study programs which are focused on national security, military technology and its use in operations, communication and information technologies as well as electronic weapon systems. Moreover, the AFA participated in the career training of armed forces officers and in the professional training of employees of governmental institutions, implemented in the form of short and long-term courses. The international cooperation through organizing
international courses and exercises for the staff officers from NATO and partner’s countries contributes to increasing the armed force’s ability to operate in a multinational environment.

**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS:** The Armed Forces Academy is focused on research and technological support for defence projects providing a basis for the development of the Armed Forces of the Slovak Republic. The AFA participates in international projects within NATO, the MoD and European Structural Funds as well as in scientific and research board.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Slovak Medical University in Bratislava (SMU) is a state higher education institution keeping the tradition of life-long learning education of healthcare professionals in Slovakia. SMU is the only university in Slovakia that provides monothematic education for healthcare workers in all three degrees of higher education. Four faculties of SMU offer wide range of study programmes: General Medicine, Dental Medicine, Nursing, Midwifery, Physiotherapy, Radiological Technique, Urgent Medical Care, Public Health and many more. Nowadays the Faculty of Medicine of SMU also provides study programme of General Medicine in English language. SMU provides specialised studies of General Medicine and Paediatrics in frames of Residential Programme.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Public Health
- Faculty of Nursing and Professional Health Studies
- Faculty of Health in Banská Bystrica

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Scientific activities at SMU are focused on research in the fields of environmental risks on
human health and biomonitoring, GMO safety, HIV prevention, molecular biology and virology. Lot of projects are solved in international cooperation (GRACE, G – TWYST, EU-CERT-ICD, D-FENS, HBM4EU, INTEGRATE).

Project D-FENS – Dicer-Dependent Defense in Mammals focused on uncover physiological significance of the N-terminal part of Dicer enzyme and provide a critical in vivo assessment of antiviral activity of RNAi with implications for human therapy in frames of Horizon 2020 is one of the most important projects developed and implemented by SMU.

SMU successfully cooperates with partner universities from the EU and from the associated countries in frames of Erasmus+ programme.
Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava

Address
Sklabinská 1, SK – 835 17 Bratislava

Established in 1992

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava is a university with the specific security specialization. It provides unique universal education at the bachelor’s, master’s and post-graduate levels in the area of protection of persons and property, security in public administration and criminalistics and forensic sciences for the members of law enforcement agencies, civil servants and partially for the civil youth as well. Since its establishment, the academy has fulfilled its mission to prepare university educated and professionally competent specialists for the needs of the Police Force, specialized departments of the Ministry of Interior and other state and non-state security services.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND PROJECTS: The priority of scientific and research activities of the academy is to develop a theory of police sciences and other scientific disciplines forming the theoretical basis of
modules taught within provided higher education at the academy. The academy focuses on the following international scientific projects: prognostic scenario of short and medium-term development of selected types of crime in the Central European region, security and police sciences terminology, and theoretical and methodological essentials of crisis management in public administration. The academy cooperates with the police forces, firearms and rescue troops very closely in the area of science and research. The academy participates in student and teacher mobility in the EU member states within the Erasmus+ programme. The Academy is also a partner organization for the workshops and activities organized by Frontex, CEPOL (European Police College), MEPA (Mitteleuropa Polizei Akademie) and also cooperates with the OSCE.
St. Elisabeth University of Health and Social Work in Bratislava

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Nám. 1. Mája 1, P. O. Box 104, SK – 811 06 Bratislava

Established in 2003

SHORT DESCRIPTION: St. Elisabeth University of Health and Social Work was founded in 2003 in Bratislava. The University offers 82 study programmes in the field of: Public Health, Social Work, Psychology, Nursing, Missiology, Medical Technology, Dental technics, Rescue/emergency, Physiotherapy, Nutrition.

St. Elisabeth University has 52 professors, 10 foreigners, since 2012, it has had a successful international accreditation. During the last complex accreditations in 2008 and 2015, our university was classified as category A in social and behavioural sciences, as well as category A in healthcare sciences. St. Elisabeth University was granted the Award of the Minister of Education, Science, Research, and Sport of the Slovak Republic for science and technology three times (in 2005, 2010, 2012); once we were granted the award Scientist of the year and two times we received the award Prestige organization of research and development. In 2007 St. Elisabeth University was admitted among the signatories of the Grand Charter of the Bologna University. In 2011, the University was admitted as a member the European University Association.
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: St. Elizabeth University provides education and scientific research as well as practical experience for students in all three levels of university education. It offers 4 of our programs in English and German languages, 5 programs taught abroad, and 61 scientific programs. We offer professional practical training for our students in 20 countries, such as Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Lesotho, Sudan, Rwanda, Burundi, Ethiopia, Cambodia, Vietnam, and others. Possibility to study in Nairobi, Phnom Penh, Scranton – Pennsylvania, Warsaw). The Institution is a member of several societies, such as: International Society of Infectious Diseases – (since 1995), Federation of European Societies of Chemotherapy (since 2003), ICC-GCCMID working group chair.
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The University of Security Management in Košice (VŠBM) is a private school of higher education that provides education in the fields/majors of economic, engineering, law, criminalistics, technical and natural sciences, logistics, security management, environmental sciences and informatics throughout three fundamental pillars as economic security, transportation security, cyber security, environmental security and airport security. The VŠBM offers education of the first (Bachelor), second (Engineer) and third (Doctor – PhD.) degree in the accredited study program “Management of Security Systems”, and guarantees postgraduate studies of Doctor/Master of Business Administration (DBA/MBA), Master of Law (LL.M), Master of Science (MSc.), and Master of Public Health (MPH).

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: The VŠBM has engaged in scientific and research activities of basic and applied research since 2006. Scientific and research projects are generally covered by H2020 Programme. Basic research topics (areas) of the long-term intention of scientific work of VSBM are: 1. Theory and methodology of security sciences (theoretical and practical application);
2. Theory and methodology of security and crisis management;
4. Content, methodological and organizational problems of university by security education;
5. Research on the use of GIS in the field of security and environmental issues;
6. Research on critical infrastructure security and protection;
7. Research in the field of information protection in the public and private sphere;
8. Research in the field of economic and financial protection in the public and private sphere;
9. Safety and security research in transport and airport security;
Ján Albrecht Music and Art Academy
Banská Štiavnica

Address
Botanická 354/2, SK – 969 01 Banská Štiavnica

Established in 2011

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Jan Albrecht Music and Art Academy Banská Štiavnica (JAMAA) is the only private artistic academy of higher education in Slovakia, which offers attractive bachelor’s (Bc.) and master’s (Mgr. art.) study programmes. Within the study programme Music Performance and Theory (MPT) and study programme Music Composition and Theory (MCT) the students can choose the specialization: musical instruments, singing (classical, ancient and jazz music), conducting and composition, sound design, and electro-acoustic music, guaranteed and taught by Slovak and foreign artistic, scientific and pedagogical personalities. The academy offers also a supplementary pedagogical study. The aim of JAMAA is to provide the study at high quality level.
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND PROJECTS: The Ján Albrecht Academy of Music and Art Banská Štiavnica was established in 2011. Academy’s Artistic and Scientific Research Centre focuses on research in various artistic and scientific areas. The international collaboration is one of the most important priorities: JAMAA organizes lectures, workshops, scientific seminars and conferences, festival, concerts as well as mobility in frame of Erasmus+ Programme, domestic and foreign funds. JAMAA collaborates with universities and scientific institutions from Europe and the USA and regularly publishes volumes from conferences, the results of own research results in scientific publications, own journal Ars pro toto, scores, CDs and DVDs.

* Source: Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information, Statistical Yearbook 2018/2019
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Pan-European University is a private institution of higher education established in 2004 in Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia. The university offers programmes at all three levels of higher education at its 5 faculties. The European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) is fully applied to all courses offered. International co-operation with partner universities abroad is one of the main goals of the university which follows international trends in its study programmes by emphasizing its international orientation.
LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Faculty of Law
• Faculty of Economics and Business
• Faculty of Mass Media
• Faculty of Informatics
• Faculty of Psychology

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Since the very beginning of its existence, the Pan-European University has ascribed priority to international relations. The fact that approximately 30 percent of all lectures are from abroad proves the international character of its staff. The university is also active in science and research by using the potential of its international partnerships and involves strongly in the Erasmus+ mobility framework of the European Union.
Short description: School of Management (Vysoká škola manažmentu – VŠM), is the first private school of management in Slovakia. VŠM was established by the law of the National Council of the Slovak Republic on December 1, 1999. It is accredited by the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic at the undergraduate, graduate and PhD. levels for academic programs in business management. VŠM closely cooperates with its US partner – City University of Seattle, which offers the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) and the Master of Business Administration programs (MBA), and its diplomas are fully accredited in the USA. VŠM offers its programs through various study formats including its highly innovative and standardized on-line program.

Scientific research, international relations, projects: The major research fields include: business and knowledge management, innovation
management, quality management, development of SMEs, family enterprises and start-ups in Slovakia and in VUCA world conditions, internationalization of Slovak companies and their competitiveness in the global market, digitalization of economy and its impact on enterprises, new marketing forms, human resource management and its new forms in the digital world, creative industry, management of non-profit organizations, green management, online management education, etc. The School has many international partners on the platform of ERASMUS+ programs in France, Spain, Austria, Finland etc., but also outside partners in the USA, for example City University Seattle, Central Washington University, etc. The faculty participates in the international projects or leads local projects, such as VEGA project, etc.
College of International Business ISM Slovakia in Prešov

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Duchnovičovo námestie 1, SK – 080 01 Prešov

Established in 2005

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The College of International Business ISM Slovakia in Prešov (VŠMP ISM) is a private school of higher education, a subsidiary of the ISM Dortmund, Germany. College provides bachelor’s and master’s study programmes in the areas of business studies and social sciences. The VŠMP ISM was established as an institution focused on the exploration of international, social, educational and other interdisciplinary dimensions of business, which offers attractive, modern study programmes reflecting both regional and broader European contexts responding to the requirements of the labour market.
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS PROJECTS: Scientific research and international cooperation are viewed at the VŠMP ISM as guarantees of continuous quality improvement. The VŠMP ISM is involved in the international institutional research projects in the fields of economic and social sciences. Currently, the VŠMP ISM has 25 bilateral agreements on cooperation with higher education institutions from both the EU and non-EU countries. International relations of the VŠMP ISM are being further developed through the activities of LLP – Erasmus scheme (20 bilateral agreements).
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Danubius University is a private professional academic higher education institution. It has been developing dynamically from its very beginning and, despite its "young age", has become a known school in the region. We offer accredited bachelor’s and master’s study programmes of International Relations, Law, Public Policy and Public Administration, Social Work as well as rigorous examinations (PhDr., JUDr.). The Danubius University develops creativity and supports modern solutions. Its students grow into competent professionals and intellectuals in their areas of studies. The mission of the Danubius University is to provide higher and continuing education at the European and world quality levels, appropriated to the needs of society and labour market.

LIST OF FACULTIES:
• Janko Jesenský Faculty of Law
• Faculty of Public Policy and Public Administration
• Faculty of Social Studies

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Other parts of our mission are to execute basic and applied research, which corresponds to the needs of a society based on knowledge and related to the fields of study. We actively participate in projects supported by the EU grants and other programmes. In the field of international relations The Danubius University respects the
inevitability to execute Bologna Declaration to its full extent and to cooperate with the constant demand for the qualified and linguistically competent employees in Slovakia, Europe and the world. Therefore, the Danubius University pays significant attention to the activities of international cooperation. We invite foreign lecturers, prepare research projects that include the cooperation with the foreign researchers and we offer possibilities to spend a study trip abroad, within the European Higher Education Area. Our teachers also take part in academic lecturing visits within the European Higher Education Area. However, our long-term aim and endeavour is to participate in the international academic sphere even more and to raise our visibility and competitiveness in the international environment.

* Source: Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information, Statistical Yearbook 2018/2019
School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava

Address
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Established in 2003

SHORT DESCRIPTION: The School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava (SEMPA) is young, but very popular and one of the most modern private higher educational institutions in the Slovak Republic. Since its establishment in 2003, it has developed to a prestigious institution ensuring higher educational study as well as scientific and research activities of learning. More than 8,000 graduates have a great practical applicability as experts in current labour market, as managers in both governmental and non-governmental organizations in public and private sector, or as managers in small and medium enterprises or in the area of finance, banking and insurance.
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SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS: Our graduates have excellent success in the European labour market, these results are supported by cooperation with various institutions and enterprises at home and abroad. Since its establishment, SEMPA has been putting great emphasis on the development of R&D activities. The basis for a dynamic development of R&D is contained in the professional teaching process and high-quality international relations, which are essential characteristics of a top-notch higher education institution. High international reputation of our school confirms collaboration with over 40 partner universities in Europe and Asia and well-established Erasmus+ programmes.

56
scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20

1,487
students in 2019/20
DTI University

Address
Sládkovičova 533/20, SK – 018 41 Dubnica nad Váhom

Established in 2006

SHORT DESCRIPTION: DTI University in Dubnica nad Váhom (DTI) is a private higher education institution offering accredited bachelor’s degree programmes (Teacher’s Training in Vocational Education, Teacher’s Training in Economic Subjects, Management, Management Services in Automobile Industry) and accredited master’s degree programmes (Teacher’s Training in Technical Subjects, Teacher’s Training in Economic Subjects, Management) and already accredited doctoral study programme Didactics of Technical Specified Subjects and also accredited rights to provide associate professorships and full professorships to obtain the title in the field of “Specified Didactics”. It is also authorised to conduct rigorous examinations. In addition, it offers various courses in the framework of lifelong education. DTI focuses on education and research in the field of training qualified professionals. To accomplish this mission, DTI cooperates with universities across Slovakia and abroad, as well as with entrepreneurs, the public sector and NGOs. It also participates in international projects.
**Private Higher Education Institutions**

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**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PROJECTS:** Scientific and research activities at DTI include scientific conferences and seminars on both national and international levels, implementation of projects supported by the EU funds and by DTI Institutional Grant Agency, participation in projects of public universities within the framework of VEGA and KEGA grants, cooperation with foreign universities, activities within the Week of Science and Technology in Slovakia and participating in various publications.

DTI University in Dubnica nad Váhom also participates in Erasmus+ Programme. The most significant project of DTI is “The Virtual University: Quality Improvement of the Extramural Form of Study at DTI”.

- **53** scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
- **2,039** students in 2019/20
SHORT DESCRIPTION: The Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts (BISLA) is a private school of higher education grounded in the humanities. The school offers a bachelor’s degree study program. At BISLA, students do not memorize, but analyze, think and discuss. They are encouraged to evaluate facts in the context of diverse disciplines, ranging from political science, philosophy, and history to literature, sociology and art history; from Plato to Rorty, from Shakespeare to Kundera.

BISLA believes that when it comes to education, the smaller the better. Therefore, the school admits a maximum of 20 to 25 students into each class. A number of foreign students also study at BISLA every year.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND PROJECTS: ECOLAS – The European Colleges of Liberal Arts and Sciences Teaching and Learning Center – Europe-wide network of TLC’s.
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15 scientific degree lecturers in 2019/20
51 students in 2019/20
List of higher education institutions in the Slovak Republic (01/09/2019)

Public Higher Education Institutions
Comenius University in Bratislava
Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice
Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava
Technical University of Košice
Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra
Technical University in Zvolen
Trnava University in Trnava
Academy of Performing Arts in Bratislava
University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice
Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra
University of Žilina
Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava
University of Ss. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava
Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica
University of Economics in Bratislava
University of Prešov
Academy of Arts in Banská Bystrica
Catholic University in Ružomberok
Alexander Dubček University of Trenčín
J. Selye University in Komárno

State Higher Education Institutions
Armed Forces Academy of General M. R. Štefánik in Liptovský Mikuláš
Slovak Medical University in Bratislava
Academy of the Police Force in Bratislava

Private Higher Education Institutions
St. Elisabeth University of Health and Social Work in Bratislava
University of Security Management in Košice
Ján Albrecht Music and Art Academy Banská Štiavnica
Pan-European University
School of Management
College of International Entrepreneurship ISM Slovakia in Prešov
Danubius University
School of Economics and Management in Public Administration in Bratislava
University of Central Europe in Skalica
DTI University
Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts
Media Academy

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