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**Project Overview**

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## FOSTERC Main Objective

- To support the modernisation of governance, management, functioning and quality of Belarusian HEIs
- To improve HE graduates' learning outcomes
  - Based on competencies (knowledge, skills and attitudes) development
  - Designing curricular development focusing on graduates' competencies
  - Upgrading and improving teaching and learning methodologies fostering competencies

## Activities that are going to be addressed in FOSTERC

- Mapping teaching modes and learning outcomes in Belarusian HEIs
- Conducting surveys to: graduates, teachers and employers
- Organisation of training workshops: involving teaching and support staff, technicians, university administrators, managers.
- Organisation of training visits of Belarusian partners to EU universities
- Definition of a full model of education on the description of learning outcomes
- Establishing a student-centred teaching model based on competencies development and its implementation as a pilot activity
- Building a constructive process of recognition & validation of competencies & innovative teaching



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## FOSTERC Specific Objectives

- To provide indicators for conceptualize Belarusian HE learning outcomes in terms of competencies
- To upgrade and improve innovative teaching methods and the development of pedagogical creativity
- To strengthen student assessment and education management information system for the improvement of the quality of Belarusian HEIs and matching the social and economic demands
- To equip Belarusian participating HEIs with the necessary information tool to facilitate the implementation of internal and external quality assurance assessments
- To modernize the systems and practices of data collection and analysis in the Belarusian HE system improving HEIs' management in teaching and learning activities



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## WP1. Mapping teaching & learning outcomes in BY

- Lead Organisation: NIHE

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T1.1 Design of the structure of the report	A template will be designed by NIHE & UPV
T2.1 Compilation of reports	All Belarusian participating universities providing information - NIHE compilation
T3.1 Organisation of a seminar in Minsk	By BSU with the support of NIHE and Ministry of Education

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D1.1 Case studies of BY partners	All Belarusian participating universities (January 2017)
D1.2 Limitations implementation Bologna process	NIHE (March 2017)
D1.3 Seminar in Minsk	BSU and NIHE (March 2017)



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## WP2. Planning the empirical framework of the project

- Lead Organisation: USSL

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T2.1 Sampling	Belarusian participating universities
T2.2 Design 'master' questionnaires	USSL & UPV
T2.3 Developing guidelines	USSL

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D2.1 Questionnaire of HE graduates	USSL (April 2017)
D2.2 Questionnaire to teachers in HEIs	USSL (April 2017)
D2.3 Questionnaire of employers	USSL (April 2017)



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## WP3. Conducting Surveys

- Lead Organisation: USSL

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T3.1 Conducting graduates survey	Belarusian participating universities
T3.2 Conducting teachers survey	Belarusian participating universities
T3.3 Conducting employers survey	Belarusian participating universities
T3.4 Analysing and reporting	USSL
T3.5 Organisation of seminar in Minsk	BSEU with the support of NIHE and M. Educ.

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D3.1 FOSTERC data	USSL (December 2017)
D3.2 Documentation of coding & data procedures	USSL (January 2018)
D3.3 General descriptive report	USSL (February 2018)
D3.4 Seminar in Minsk	BSEU & NIHE (February 2018)



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## WP4. Training workshops for each Belarusian participating university

- Lead Organisation: BSU

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T4.1 Formulating content-training guidelines	UPV, LEU, UwB, UTU, NIHE
T4.2 Targeting the participants	Belarusian participating universities
T4.3 Running individual training workshops	Belarusian participating universities

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D4.1 Training material of workshops	Belarusian partners, BSU (June 2018)



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## WP5. Training visits of Belarusian partners to EU universities

- Lead Organisation: LEU

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T5.1 Selection of EU good practices	LEU, UwB, UTU
T5.2 Targeting the participants	Belarusian partners
T5.3 Running EU visits	LEU, UwB, UTU
T5.4 Reporting activity for the visits	Belarusian partners and LEU
T5.5 Organization seminar in Vilnius	LEU

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D5.1 Summary report of training visits	Belarusian partners, LEU (July 2018), UwB (August 2018), UTU (September 2018)
D5.2 Seminar evaluation & feedback results in Vilnius	LEU (October 2018)



## WP6. Defining the model for enhancing student-centred teaching

- Lead Organisation: UwB and GSU

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T6.1 Defining learning outcomes	BY partners will create a "Learning Committee"*
T6.2 Organization seminar in Gomel	GSU with the support of NIHE & Min. Educ.

\*Learning Committee will be composed by several representatives of each Belarusian participating partner supervised by GSU, NIHE and Min. Edu.

UwB will support and follow-up the way of description of learning outcomes to full pedagogical model from the beginning and individual/group discussions will be organised in each Belarusian university.

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D6.1 Belarusian learning outcomes report	Belarusian participating university & NIHE (February 2019)
D6.2 Seminar in Gomel	GSU (February 2019)



## WP7. Implementation (pilot activity) in each Belarusian university

- Lead Organisation: NIHE
- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T7.1 Guiding the planning of study programmes	Belarusian participating universities
T7.2 Defining in detail learning outcomes	Belarusian participating universities
T7.3 Determining teaching methodology	Belarusian participating universities
T7.4 Changes in HEIs management	Belarusian participating universities
T7.5 Organisation seminar in Grodno	YKSUG with the support of NIHE and Min. Edu.

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D7.1 Implementing student-centred teaching model	Belarusian participating universities (June 2019)
D7.2 Seminar in Grodno	YKSUG (July 2019)



## WP8. Quality of the project

- Lead Organisation: UTU & UPV
- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T8.1 Reporting on project evaluation	UTU
T8.2 Reporting on project impact	UTU
T8.3 Reporting accounts	UPV

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D8.1 Quality Plan	UPV & UTU (November 2016)
D8.2 Evaluation Report	UTU & UPV (different times)
D8.3 Impact Report	UTU (October 2019)
D8.4 Audit Report	UPV (October 2019)



## WP9. Dissemination activities and results exploitation

- Lead Organisation: UPV

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T9.1 Dissemination activities	All consortium
T9.2 Exploitation strategy	All consortium
T9.3 Management of research data	All consortium

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D9.1 Dissemination Plan	UPV (December 2016)
D9.2 Exploitation Plan	UPV (December 2016)
D9.3 Data Management Plan	UPV (December 2016)
D9.4 Project Website	UPV
D9.5 Dissemination policy makers/ stakeholders	All consortium
D9.6 Dissemination material scientific community	All consortium
D9.7 Final Conference in Minsk	NIHE (October 2019)

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## WP10. Project management and coordination

- Lead Organisation: UPV

- Tasks:

Tasks	Responsibility
T10.1 General coordination & project management	UPV
T10.2 Administrative & financial management	UPV

- Deliverables:

Deliverables	Responsibility
D10.1 Kick-off meeting	UPV (Nov. 2016)
D10.2 First Scientific & Financial Progress Report	UPV (Nov. 2017)
D10.3 Second Scientific & Financial Progress Report	UPV (Nov. 2018/Oct. 2019)
D10.4 Consortium, Steering & Technical Committee meetings summaries	UPV (during the project)
D10.5 Final Public Report	UPV (October 2019)



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