



Quality Assurance Consultation Seminar

Exercise on developing Joint Doctoral Programmes (JDP) in Uzbekistan

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JDP is a specific type of cooperation

Joint Doctoral Programme

- Established, formalised type of cooperation among HEIs
- Based on a **cooperation agreement**
- JDP organized at National vs international level
- International level: as presented by UGR
- ***Developing a national framework::*** several options - for the status of the students, scope of joint activities, way of issuing the PhD diploma, etc.

Other types of cooperation

- ***Informal cooperation*** (workshops, offering courses for students at other HEI, etc.)
- ***Formal cooperation in one or more areas***
 - research
 - courses
 - publication

National framework: several options for the details of JDP

Example: HEI(A) and HEI(B) is planning a JDP. Issues to be decided:

- **Status of students**
 - (1) Students are admitted to HEI(A) or HEI(B)
 - (2) Students are admitted to the joint programme of HEI(A) of HEI(B)
(concrete way of registration to be decided)
- **Scope of joint activities** (from advertisement to issuing the PhD degree). To be decided in the cooperation agreement
- **PhD diploma**
 - (1) issued by HEI(A) or HEI(B) with reference to the JDP
 - (2) double degree from HEI(A) and HEI(B)
 - (3) joint diploma signed by both HEIs

Key purposes of the exercise

- To help develop a common view on
 - how and
 - under what conditions
- Joint Doctoral Programmes could contribute the enhancement of the performance / quality of doctoral education in your institution and in Uzbekistan

To answer the questions:

- What type of cooperations would be desirable in your institution and in Uzbekistan?
- What type of cooperations are feasible under the current legislation?
- What kind of additional legal regulation would be desirable?

Situation

- Imagine that you are a member of a **Committee** responsible for elaborating a proposal for a joint doctoral programme (**JDP Committee**) in [.....] universities
- The proposal is to be approved by the relevant bodies of the HEIs involved in the JDP.
- This is the first meeting of the Committee with the **agenda to prepare a work-plan for the coming 6-12 months**

Preparation for the exercise

University-teams are expected to

- **Form 3 working groups (2-2-2 universities and State Institute of Arts and Culture and participants from other institutions can join**
- Consider a potential concrete area of the JDP (e.g., economics, chemistry, interdisciplinary)
- Nominate a rapporteur in each WG who will be presenting the results of your working-group

If WGs are not formed by tomorrow morning, they will be identified by ELTE-team

Main tasks of the WGs

WGs are expected to

- identify the **main components** of the JDP (fields of cooperation)
 - to identify the main steps of the implementation phase
- discuss the **advantages** (opportunities) and **potential problems** (threats) of the cooperation
 - discuss expectations and doubts related to a Joint Doctoral Programme
 - look critically at **current situation of HEIs** to see strengths and weaknesses in terms of developing JDPs
- identify the **tasks to be done** by the JDP-Committee in order to elaborate the proposal



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