

Introducing competence - based preschool teacher education curricula in Bosnia and Herzegovina 574076-EPP-1-2016-1-BA-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP

MINUTES from Skype Meeting

Date: 14.03.2018.

Venue:

University of Travnik (Hazim Selimovic, Selma Seta)

University of Bihac (Nijaz Skender)

University of Tuzla (Ljubica Tomic Selimovic)

University of Mostar (Antea Cilic, Katarina Simic)

Independent University Banja Luka (Mirjana Stojanovic, Tamara Pribisev Beleslin)

Herzegovina University (Marko Antonio Brkic)

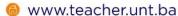
University of Zagreb (Sinisa Opic)

The meeting officially started at 1 p.m. On behalf of the Management of the University of Travnik, Selma Seta welcomed all participants. She introduced herself and sir Hazim Selimovic, Dean of the Faculty of Education, University of Travnik. Taking into account the aim of the meeting and that it is based on expert area, she gave the word to Dean.

Sir Hazim Selimovic greeted all participants and pointed out the importance of this meeting. He kindly asked sir Sinisa Opic, University of Zagreb to present his instructions regarding further work and finalization of the Work Package 2.

Professor Sinisa Opic in few sentences explained future work.









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Dean of the Faculty of Education, sir Hazim Selimovic said that there are a lot of studies which are different. Professor Sinisa Opic agreed upon this but he thinks that existing study programs do not need to be excluded but changes need to be made.

Professor Tamara Pribisev Beleslin from the Independent University of Banja Luka said that good organization is very important. We need to find out which are the most critical parts of our study programs. As well, we need to deal with issues that can be harmonized, but it is very important to have a framework that is expected to be developed by us.

Professor, Hazim Selimovic said that the first step is for all partners to agree on further steps. Tamara Pribisev Beleslin agreed and that firstly we need to make a framework as a proposal, not to work separately.

Professor Nijaz Skender from the Faculty of Bihac, said that they sent the old curriculum and in the meantime they made several changes in their curriculum. He said that it should be taken into account that the form already exists and that it cannot be changed. The changes are only possible to some extent. He believes that more practical lessons should be added.

Professor Hazim Selimovic asked about possibility to add a course. Professor Nijaz Skender said that he thinks that within the elective courses, everyone has the space to add the subject.

Professor from the University of Mostar said that there is a space to add few courses, but taking into account that there are only two persons from the University of Mostar attending this meeting, they cannot give and make any final decision. More people should be included.

Professor from the University of Tuzla, Ljubica Tomic Selimovic said that she has been referring to problems of curriculum change much earlier. In their institutions, all the first 3 years are together. They also cannot change more than 20% of their curriculum. But taking into account the overall situation, they agree that the most lacking practice.

Professor Hazim Selimovic said that colleague from the University of Zagreb, sir Sinisa Opic should send us a document which can be a guideline for further steps. Professor Nijaz









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Skender agreed with this proposal. He said that we do not have enough time. Professor Opic should send us all materials and each institution should prepare a draft version of proposal which will be discussed.

Professor Sinisa Opic said that huge changes will not be possible. The main goal is to improve the educational program. A course subject/name is not so important, but competences are.

Representative from the Herzegovina University, professor Marko Antonio Brkic agreed. He said that a draft proposal should be made in which direction we should develope. The aim is certainly on competencies. Professor Nijaz Skender pointed out that the project is based on competencies. When competencies are embedded, the problem is solved. Everyone agreed with the above. Meeting was finished at 1pm.

Conclusions:

- 1. Colleague from the University of Zagreb, sir Sinisa Opic will send Croatian Qualification Framework.
- 2. Colleagues from the Manchester Metropolitan University should send the competences.
- 3. Each partner institution will give a proposal of the incorporation of competences, according to its curriculum.
- 4. This will be discussed on the next meeting which will be held on April 14th, 2018.

On 15.03.2018, in Travnik

Minute taker: Selma Seta

