

QAinAL



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Project Name: **“Strategic Support on Strengthening the Quality Assurance Structures at the Private Higher Education Institutions in Albania”**

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Project acronym: **QAinAL**

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About us

- World University Service (WUS) Kosova is a Kosovar non-governmental organization located in Prishtina.
- Our organization engages itself on promoting and facilitating implementation of [Europe 2020 Strategy](#) in Kosova.
- It supports the process of promoting the EU targets for 2020 in Kosova and their translation into national targets through local and regional cooperation

Vision

- Our roadmap is driven by the priorities of [Europe 2020 Strategy](#):
 - Smart growth: developing an economy based on knowledge and innovation
 - Sustainable growth: promoting a more resource efficient, greener and more competitive economy
 - Inclusive growth: fostering high-employment economy delivering social and territorial cohesion

Mission

To achieve the priorities of [Europe 2020 Strategy](#) for Kosovo, we focus on the EU 2020 areas:

- Smart growth:
 - Innovation
 - Education
 - Digital Society
- Sustainable growth:
 - Climate, energy and mobility
 - Competitiveness
- Inclusive growth:
 - Employment and skills
 - Fighting poverty

We commit ourselves on promoting the EU targets for 2020 and to support the process of translating them into national targets in Kosovo and other Western Balkan countries through **local and regional cooperation**. This is through our activities and the offered services: **consultancy services, projects and events**.

Stakeholders

- Higher education institutions
- Business sector
- Public institutions
- Chambers of commerce
- International institutions
- NGOs etc.

Services

- **Consultancy services**
- **Projects**
- **Events**

Themes of the projects in the field of higher education

- Legal framework (amendment of the Law on HE; Regulated Professions; statutes)
- Development and accreditation of the new (existing) curricula (in all the three levels Bachelor, Master and PhD)
- Introduction of the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)
- Financial autonomy and accountability of the public Higher Education Institutions
- University management and services for students
- Introduction of quality assurance (development of different guidelines, strategies and other relevant documents in this field)
- Equal and transparent access to higher education
- Development of international relations
- Development of partnerships with enterprises
- Knowledge triangle education-research-innovation
- Qualifications frameworks
- Development of Research and Development structures & strategies at the HEIs

Projects (ongoing)

- Increasing the Financial Autonomy and accountability at public Higher education institutions in Kosovo – no. 544142-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-AT-TEMPUS-SMGR
- Support to the Internationalization of Kosovo Higher Education System through establishment of the Kosovo Students' Union - 544357-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-AT-TEMPUS-SMGR
- Modernizing the 3rd cycle at the University of Prishtina and Developing a PhD Program at the Faculty of Economics - 544188-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-XK-TEMPUS-JPCR

Projects (ongoing)

- Strategic support on establishment and development of sustainable structures on quality assurance, international relations and student support services at the newly founded Public University Haxhi Zeka in Kosova - 543801-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-UK-TEMPUS-JPGR
- Technical assistance to: Review and adaptation higher education legislation and policies of the Republic of Kosovo and the Statutes of the University of Pristina

Projects (Finished)

- Empowering Universities to fulfill their responsibility for Quality Assurance - 530631-TEMPUS 1-2012-1-13E-TEMPUS-JPGR
- Network for Post Graduate Masters in Cultural Heritage and Tourism Management in Balkan Countries - 517471-TEMPUS-1-2011-1-ITTEMPUS-JPCR
- Strategic Support for the Development of Sustainable QA Structures at the Newly Public Founded University in Kosova, University of Prizren - 517482-TEMPUS-1-2011-1-DE-TEMPUS-JPGR

Projects (finished)

- Encouraging the process of curriculum development based on learning outcomes and research guided teaching in the private higher education institutions of Kosova - 530399-TEMPUS-1-2012-1-AT-TEMPUS-JPHE
- Establishment of the eLearning Center@Faculty of Economics, University of Prishtina
- Supporting the Curriculum Revision at the Department of the Agribusiness of UHZ
- The Role of Qualification Frameworks Development in Higher Education Reform in Kosovo