

PIKC “RĪGAS TEHNISKĀ KOLEDŽA”

ERASMUS POLICY STATEMENT (EPS) 2021 - 2027

Internationalisation and modernisation strategy of Profesionālas izglītības kompetences centrs “Rīgas Tehniskā koledža” is aimed on the HEI overall development, on the rise of the teaching and training standards based on the latest achievements in the field of the European higher education. The study process at the HEI is purposefully focused on the demand of determinative environment and labour market, considering students’ and staff experience and the necessity to realize their inner potential. Active and successful participation in the EU educational programmes and projects is considered to be one of the most important directions of the HEI strategy concept.

Objectives of the HEI participation in the Erasmus+ Programme are to improve the quality of the short-cycle professional education, to promote innovation and European dimension, to motivate students and academic staff for the creative attitude towards studies and working, to show the diversity of the modern world, to make international cooperation between HEI and enterprises the essential part of the study and practical training process, to exchange good practices.

Geographical diversity of the international cooperation contributes significantly to the understanding of the tendencies of the development of technologies and economic situation and increases the range of competences acquired by participants within Programme activities. RTK intends to broaden the geography of international cooperation.

RTK implementation of the Erasmus+ Programme activities responds to the goals of the European Education Area in the development of the key competences and active citizenship promoting the principles of social inclusion.

RTK is planning to take part in KA1 and KA2 Programme activities: students’ traineeships and staff teaching and training mobility, partnerships for cooperation and exchanges of practices and partnerships for Innovation. Implementation of the Erasmus+ Programme activities contributes substantially to the development of the up-to-date study programmes, to the improvement of the academic performance, to the promotion of the innovative approach to teaching and training, to the efficient and flexible management. Participation in the Programme is expected to encourage a greater variety of study modes and enable more effective, personalised teaching/learning process organisation, and invest in the staff professional development thus ensuring the quality standards of the higher education. Erasmus+ Programme provides instruments and mechanisms for the HEI students and staff integration in the EU social, economic and cultural environment adding the necessary understanding of being a part of the Community.

The envisage impact of the HEI students and staff involvement in the Erasmus+ Programme activities is the growing role of the institution in the educational and labour market, in cooperation with social partners and in society. The main targets are to develop students' and staff potential, to motivate them for the creative attitude towards studies and work providing all necessary support for the participants. Qualitative indicators in monitoring the impact are the level of the participants' satisfaction with their experience in implementation Erasmus+ Programme activities, the HEI benefits in the format of updated study programmes and development of the teaching modules based on the multidisciplinary approach, strengthened cooperation with international companies to meet the demands of the rapidly developing technologies, successful international accreditation of the HEI. Quantitative indicators are the growing number of the Programme participants and involvement in cooperation projects. It is being planned to increase the number of participants in mobility projects and involvement in cooperation projects by 15% till 2027.