

MISSION REPORT

Belgrade, 17th and 18th of April, 2013

Students' Union of Serbia has had a great honor to organize Student Mentors Pool training as part of WP5, SIGMUS-Tempus project. Trainings have been organized as part of activities 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6 of SUS's work package.

2 days SMP trainings were held at the building of Rectory of Belgrade University on 17th and 18th of April, 2013. In first day partners in SIGMUS project took part, and in second one students from Students' Union of Serbia. Nosheen Rachel Naseem and Mike Dawney from Middlesex University from London were trainers on these trainings. They represented to students how to drill students' mentors and showed them the Mentors program. English was official language. All participants got essential literature which helped them to understand trainers and to use it in mentoring process until and after of the end of project. Lectures were interactive and trainers were opened for every suggestion of students.

Trainings were conceived on the way that in the first part of coaching trainers meet students with aims of trainings and all general items of Student Mentors Pool. In the second part of training students were given the books which helped them in managing techniques of SMP. Students filled them with help of trainers, so those books could help them in the Mentoring program. In the third part of training Nosheen showed on the example of interaction with student how to behavior with their mentees. Fourth part of training included questionnaire and filling of documentation prepared for students involved: Evaluation of mentoring workshop (where students showed their satisfaction with project), Guidelines for Mentees, Mentor Profile Form (basic information about mentor), Mentor Training Manual (filled with trainers' help), Mentoring Contract (to be signed by mentor and mentee before a start of mentoring session), Facilitator's notes and Mentor's Handbook. All documents are available on project's website: [www.sigmus.edu.rs/outcomes/WP - 5.4, 5.5, 5.6](http://www.sigmus.edu.rs/outcomes/WP-5.4,5.5,5.6).

First training was held on 17th of April, 2013. Participants were students from all universities and students' parliaments involved in SIGMUS project. Every partner delegated 3 of their students for training which were trained to be trainers for students' mentors. There were 21 students and every of them got the diploma about successful completion of the course.

Second training was held on 18th of April, 2013. Participants were members of local Unions from Students' Union of Serbia, in total 19 students involved. They got the same diploma as ones the day before. They held a meeting on the day after that, talking about the best ways for implementing Student Mentors Pool in their organizations all over the state.

General conclusion of students and trainers is that trainings were successful and that they reached much in two days. Everyone (students, trainers and organizers) was satisfied. In the end of the trainings we planned that the Mentors Pool will have been started by the end of September and nometter of ending SIGMUS project, participants will continue to work with students in the next academic year. Few day after trainings, organizers opened mailing list for participants, where they will stay in touch, maintain communication and exchange experiences about Student Mentors Pool.

Galery of photos is, as the documents used for training, available on project web site www.sigmus.edu.rs under the section Gallery on Home page.

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