



# UNIVERSITY OF WEST ATTICA

## Erasmus+ / ICM

### 3rd International Week



## "Innovative Management in Higher Education, Applied Practices in Covid-19 Pandemic and Remaining Challenges"

The 3rd International Erasmus+ Week eventually took place last December after the cancellation of events and conferences, due to the Covid-19 pandemic the last few years.

"Innovative Management in Higher Education, Applied Practices in Covid-19 Pandemic and Remaining Challenges" was the subject of the International week, organized by the Erasmus+ / ICM team from 5th to 9th December 2023.

Academic and Administrative staff from fifteen countries, participated under the framework of the Erasmus+ / ICM programme. At the inaugural ceremony, the Vice-Rector Mrs. Klio Sgouropoulou, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Miltiadis Varvitsiotis, the Head of Administration of the National Agency Mr. Leonidas Papastergiou, the Head of Management of the International Credit Mobility Mr. Filippos Koumbounis, representatives of embassies in Greece, University's academic staff and departmental coordinators, attended and addressed greetings.



*Reception of the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Miltiadis Varvitsiotis, by the Vice Rector Mrs. Cleo Sgouropoulou.*

The Institutional Coordinator of the Erasmus+ program Mr. Savvas Vassiliadis, the representative of the Student Advocate Mr. Panagiotis Yannakopoulos as well as the Ambassadors of Moldova, Azerbaijan and Uganda, took part in the thematic section with relevant presentations.



*Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Miltiadis Varvitsiotis.*



Representatives from countries like: Albania, Azerbaijan, Benin, Cameroon, Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Lebanon, Moldova, Morocco, South Africa, Thailand, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, were present.

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Live-Streaming participations took place, during the second day of the International Week from CAPE TOWN UNIVERSITY of South Africa, TBILISI STATE UNIVERSITY of Georgia, UTARA of Malaysia and the respective partners in charge, sparking interest for further analysis and discussion. The Academic staff delivered lessons in collaboration with the coordinators of UNIWA' s Schools, expressing the most positive impressions from the educational activity and UNIWA' s student participation.

The International week was attended by prominent Academic members of UNIWA focusing on the thematic unit of the week, developing the adopted operations, the difficulties faced during the abrupt interruption and the digital turnover. The challenges of the return to the physical environment after approximately two years of remote work were discussed.



Incoming Professor during lecture in Business Administration dept.



In conclusion, all participants mutually agreed and pinpointed that online means may facilitate and conduct educational activity more intriguing. However, physical presence, as well as face to face interaction and activities remain irreplaceable.



The week ended with a farewell dinner and the warmest wishes for future collaboration expansions, development of further actions and creation of new ones.

The organization, coordination and support of the International Week was carried out by the Erasmus Office of UNIWA, by the coordinator of International Staff Mobility, Mrs. Fani Papoutsi.





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