

International Study Week



Groningen, October 2015

Dear Erasmus partners,

We are happy to announce that Hanze University of Applied Sciences, Groningen will once again organise a **comprehensive one-week study programme for non-teaching staff colleagues** in the framework of the Erasmus exchange possibilities for non-teaching staff. The programme is scheduled from **4-7 April 2016** and will start on Monday morning and will end after dinner on Thursday. On Friday, you will have the possibility to schedule your personal meetings with colleagues and students.



Last year, we were pleased to welcome colleagues from 13 different Erasmus partner institutions and 9 different countries! Based on our own experience and the comments of our guests, we believe that we can say that the week was a great success.

In 2016, we hope to equal this success. This time our programme will focus on various aspects of work based learning in higher education (institutions). Subjects to be covered include:

- organizing different forms of practice based learning
- setting up and maintaining a partner network of companies and work field organisations
- implementing various forms of quality assurance and ICT-support systems to monitor (international) placements

Our target group consists of staff involved in any of the above activities. Applicants are requested to describe clearly in the work plan/registration form which position they have in their institution and which tasks and responsibilities they have.

We are looking forward to providing participants an insight into various forms of practice based learning at our institution and to discuss the differences and similarities between our institutions with regard to the different ways in which students can benefit from practice based learning both at home and abroad. In order to get a fruitful exchange of experience and good practices, participants will be invited to give a brief presentation of their work at their own institution and the challenges they face in implementing systems that help students gain relevant practical experience to embark on a successful professional career. It goes without saying that we will make sure that there is also some time to discover the city of Groningen and to socialize with your colleagues. A provisional programme will be sent before the Christmas holidays.

We want to invite a maximum of 30 colleagues, preferably one person per partner institution, so that we get an interesting mix. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of available places, we will have to make a selection.

Participants are expected to finance their own travel, accommodation and other expenses through the Erasmus programme. There are no participation fees.

Colleagues who are interested, are requested to download and return the completed application form (enclosed workplan) to Ms. Greetje Brontsema, g.r.brontsema@pl.hanze.nl. You can also contact her by phone, if you want some extra information (Tuesdays, Thursdays 09.00-14.00 hrs., tel: +31 50 595 7641).



The application deadline is 29 January 2016. We will notify all applicants before **19 February 2016** whether they have been selected to participate in the programme. We will then also provide information on accommodation options in Groningen and other practical matters.

Kind regards,

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