



Erasmus+ Jean Monnet Projects support innovation, cross-fertilisation and the spread of European Union content. These projects are based on unilateral proposals - although the proposed activities may involve other partners and may last between 12 and 24 months:

- «Innovation» projects explore new angles and different methodologies with a view to making European Union subjects more attractive and adapted to the various kinds of target populations.
- «Cross-fertilisation» projects promote the discussion of and reflection on European Union issues and enhance knowledge about the Union and its processes. These projects aim at boosting EU knowledge in specific contexts.
- «Spread content» projects mainly concern information and dissemination activities.

Activities supported under Jean Monnet Projects:

- development and testing newly designed methodologies, content and tools on specific European Union topics,
- development of academic content and tools specifically designed for students of faculties/schools not normally dealing with EU issues,
- creation of virtual classrooms on specific subject areas and testing them in different contexts
- design, production and implementation of self-training tools promoting active citizenship in the EU,
- developing and delivering appropriate pedagogical content and new/adapted didactic material for the teaching of European Union issues at the level of primary and secondary education,
- design and implementation of teacher training and continuing education for teachers, providing them with the appropriate knowledge and skills to teach EU subjects,
- provision of specifically designed activities on the EU to pupils at the level of primary and secondary schools and in vocational education and training institutions,
- boosting the level of knowledge and/or enhance the dynamics of a "department/chair/research team" in a given faculty/school which has expressed a specific interest/need via joint academic activities,
- joint development of content and co-teaching for students involving several institutions. Participating institutions may organise common activities, preparation of tools supporting courses, delivery of courses on EU issues, particularly in those disciplines not traditionally associated with this field of study,
- supporting information and dissemination activities for public administration staff, for experts in specific subjects and for civil society as a whole,
- organisation of conferences, seminars and/or roundtables in relevant EU issues.

The NISPAce project **EPAR - Europeanisation in Public Administration Reforms** supported by **Erasmus+ Jean Monnet projects** began in September 2014 and will terminate in February 2016.

Objectives:

To increase awareness, understanding and knowledge of EU public policies amongst researchers in the NISPAce region and turn their attention to EU integration processes and their reflection under different areas investigated by different NISPAce research working groups.

To stimulate the debate and research on the importance of European integration for states' Public Administration and Public Policy development.

To provide a platform for the engagement of researchers and policy makers.

EPAR's aim was to upgrade the NISPAce 23rd Annual Conference in Tbilisi, Georgia (May 21-23, 2015) with 12 Jean Monnet "Europeanisation Panels" which were interposed in the conference programme, mainly in the framework of the programme of NISPAce research working groups:



- WG on Local Government: - Europeanisation of Local Government
- WG on Integrity in Public Governance - Europeanisation Panel on Leaders and Seniors
- WG on Integrity in Public Governance - Europeanisation Panel on Relations and Management
- WG on Public Administration Reform in CEE and CA - Europeanisation Panel on PA Reform
- WG on Regional Development and Inter-regional Cooperation - Europeanisation Panel on European Integration Dimension
- WG on Public Finance and Public Financial Management - Europeanisation Panel on Public Finances in the EU and EU Associated Countries
- WG on Public Policy Analysis Development Issues - Europeanisation Panel: Do Specific National Experiences and Policy Domains matter for Policy-analysis? Does EU Integration lead to Convergence?
- WG on Local Public Policies - Europeanisation Panel on Local Governance and Local Public Services
- WG on Transition, Change and Uncertainty - Europeanisation Panel on Managing Uncertainty and Change - in Eastern Countries of the European Union.
- Panel on Open Government and European Integration
- Panel on Quality Improvement of PA programmes in the Caucasus Region based on European Standards
- Panel on Europeanisation in Public Administration Reforms

Output: A set of summaries of the Europeanisation panels discussed in all NISPAce research working groups during the conference in Tbilisi, Georgia and their distribution and hard copies in English and the Russian language ready to be distributed during all the relevant events organised by NISPAce and sent to libraries and other relevant higher education information centres.

More info: <http://www.nispa.org/conference2015.php?cid=23&sid=1192>

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