

Training visit to Austria
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Outcomes:

- visit to University of Vienna, centre for e-learning teaching, negotiations with the head of the centre – Miss Petra Oberhuemer;
- visit to the centre for distance studies at Johannes Kepler University Linz, meeting with its director - Dr. Franz Palank and manager - Dr. Josef Reif;
- visit to the centre of multimedia training at Institute of Law of Johannes Kepler University Linz, participation in presentation of center’s developments, discussion with Prof. Andreas Riedler;
- visit to the centre for Geoinformatics of Salzburg University, meeting with its director - Prof. Josef Strobl, coordinator - Dr. Andrijana Car, discussion of UNIGIS program;
- visit to Carinthian University of Applied Sciences, familiarization with educational programs, negotiations with Rector Dr. Dietmar Brodel;
- work meetings with Prof. Andreas Pester, discussion of project realization issues;
- visit to the centre of Blended learning of Carinthian University of Applied Sciences, negotiations with the head of the centre – Dr. Robert Zwischenberger;
- familiarization with laboratories of Carinthian University of Applied Sciences as well as with developments of virtual laboratory test benches and subject-matter of scientific researches.

During the listed above meetings at each centre all Ukrainian experts have been familiarized with presentations and received advertising and methodical materials. The main themes to discuss were the following:

- issues of development and management of e-learning projects;
- implementation of e-learning system at universities through realization of stages of analysis, strategy elaboration, preparation of conception, technical and technological aspects, realization and obligatory quality rating;
- issues of quality rating of e-learning system by teachers and students aimed at further improvement;
- carrying out of trainings for teachers and stimulation of their e-learning activity;
- recommendations on used software, principles and filling of e-libraries, systems and methods of knowledge control and testing.