

## Together we co-create knowledge, skills and innovations boosting bioeconomy businesses and education

ERDI project aims for better graduate employability, improved competitiveness of the regional economy and increased bioeconomy business to gain better income in the future. In a long term the aim is to bring prosperity in the remote and rural regions.

## ERDI Partnerships

ERDI partnership relies on multidisciplinary and cross-sectoral combination of expertise and competences of European university, university of applied sciences and business partners from Czech, Finland, Hungary, the Netherlands and Slovakia. The consortium involves Canadian associated partners from New Brunswick region. Karelia University of Applied Sciences coordinates the entity.

### **HAS University of Applied Sciences**

is a medium-sized university located in 's-Hertogenbosch and Venlo. HAS University of Applied Sciences is the second best educational and expertise Centre in the Netherlands for the environment and agrifood sector (according to keuzegids.org). We currently have over 3000 students, 450 employees and 300 participants on professional courses. The core of our activities is based on the dynamic triangle of students, lectures and business.

### **Province of North Brabant**

is located in the south of the Netherlands. The total area of the province of North Brabant is a little more than 5000 km<sup>2</sup>. Provinces in the Netherlands are the administrative layer between the national government and the local municipalities. The provincial government makes decisions and supervises projects at an economic, social and cultural level.

**The University of Pardubice** is one of the 26 public higher education institutions in the Czech Republic, and the only higher university-type educational institution in Pardubice Region. It is a modern and dynamic public higher education institution which prepares specialists for successful careers in a wide variety of professions. Pardubice offers Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degree study programmes in more than one hundred and thirty specializations. It broadens the universal scale of scientific disciplines and creates an open international community.

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## Thematic meeting in Győr, Hungary

ERDI Thematic Meeting was organized in The Széchenyi István University in Győr in Hungary from the 20 to the 23 of March in 2018. Over 20 persons from the partner institutions were present in the meeting. The days were long but productive. The main idea of the meeting was to clear out what the project team need to accomplish for reaching the goals of the project.

The meeting programme included among other things WP3 ERDI course pilot status report and Curriculum development for the future. Digital learning tools and article assignments, pedagogical approaches and action plans for the rest of the project were discussed. Many interactive workshops were also implemented during the meeting. After long working days the project team could finally agree on the final tasks, especially concerning the digital learning tools and how present the findings of the project. The ERDI Final seminar programme and the dissemination activities were designed by the team.

The Knowledge Allowance programme has been found a very useful tool in European Union and the numbers of funded projects, as our ERDI, has been increasing. However, the impact of dissemination and exploitation activities is now very much emphasized. Only the high quality outputs are going to be published. The project team is devoted to do everything in its power to reach the goals.



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## A New Publication Coming - Collage of Business Models

The project partners have realized a survey focused on strengthening the link between higher education, research and private sector. The results have been evaluated and presented in the report Collage of Business Models by the Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra. The report shows how the educational institutions share the business models and ideas in their networks and regions. Conclusions and recommendations shall be used in educational programs.

The number of interviewed entities were 42 and the number of participating states: 6 – Finland, Netherlands, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Hungary and Canada.

The research was divided into subsystems: Management and Support, Marketing, Innovation, Bio-economy production.

## Bio-economy Hub - International ERDI Course at Karelia UAS in 2018

A number of Finnish and foreign students have participated in the ERDI courses this year.

Some students noted that they enjoyed the multinational aspect of the courses, having developed new skills useful for proper communication across language and cultural barriers. Other students preferred the insight gained in the field of bio-economy and sustainability in general.

Regardless of their favourite learning experience, most students agreed that overall the ERDI courses were enjoyable and interesting. That is not to say that nothing can be improved, however. Thanks to their input we now know some students experienced issues with the preliminary information and promotional material. The team will work on bringing the promotional material up to date and in line with the current curriculum.

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