

# **Specificities of implementation and exploitation of the PACT training course**

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# OUTLINE

- **Iliia State University in brief**
- **ISU experience in international projects**
- **Implementation of PACT project at ISU**
- **Exploitation of PACT trainings in the future**

# CORE ACHIEVEMENTS

Established in 2006 as a merger of six different institutions, each having a long history and a diverse institutional profile. In a very short period of time Iliia State University became a flagship research and comprehensive higher education institution in Georgia.

Among all higher education institutions and research institutes in Georgia, Iliia State University has secured a top position in the following:

- ✓ The highest research citation index in Georgia
- ✓ The highest competition rate for PHD programs in Georgia
- ✓ Annual budget allocated for research by the university

# FACTS AND FIGURES

- » 230 professors and 400 researchers
- » 4 schools
- » Over 14500 students
- » Approximately 50 Bachelor and 40 Master's and Doctoral programs
- » Offers most competitive annual remuneration package among Georgian public higher education institutions
- » Allocating 14 % of its annual budget for research
- » Over 30 research institutes and centers
- » Research and learning facilities in many regions of Georgia

NUMBER OF STUDENTS 2006 - 2015



# GRANTS AND DEVELOPMENT

- ✓ 1st grant holder in TEMPUS from Georgia
- ✓ Partner in 27 Tempus projects, 16 current projects out of which in two projects as a grant holder
- ✓ Partner in 4 Erasmus + Capacity Building projects funded in 2015
- ✓ 2 funded partnerships under FP7
- ✓ 2 successful projects under Horizon 2020
- ✓ 60 ongoing grants



# Implementation of PACT project at ISU

- Designing two project development tools
- ToT (outputs – 7 trainers)
- Pilot Training – December 1-5, 2014
- 2 Training cycles in project development:
  - 23 March – June 19, 2015
  - 28 September-4 November, 2015
  - trainer rotation
- Dissemination activities – Education Fair (Feb. 27-28)
- Regional dissemination planed

# Exploitation of PACT trainings in the future

## Potential Beneficiaries

- internal (free of charge)

internal beneficiaries that will participate in project development training will be:

- PhD students
- Post-docs and young researchers
- Academic and administrative staff involved in the grant writing and implementation processes

# Exploitation of PACT trainings in the future

## **Potential Beneficiaries**

- external (fee paying) beneficiaries.

potential external beneficiaries might be:

- PhD students and young researchers of other Georgian HEIs that are not involved in PACT project, with special focus on regional institutions
- Members of civil society organizations
- Other interested individuals



# Planned outreach activities

The outreach activities will include:

- Disseminating project outcomes within various departments (both administrative and academic) of ISU;
- National education fairs and various info sessions conducted outside the university.
- This particular training course will be promoted together with the other numerous training offers of Continuing Education Department ensuring the appropriate positioning of the course on the market.
- ISU will use existing partnerships with other Georgian HEIs throughout the country to spread the word about the project development training program in different regions of Georgia
- Offer on site trainings as well as intensive summer or winter schools on the topic.

# Management of the Resources

- The Continuing Education Department will administer the project development training program.
- Seven trainers have been trained within the PACT TOT activity with various academic background and occupation at ISU.
- The trainings will be free of charge for internal beneficiaries. ISU will provide technical and infrastructural assistance for maintaining the course implementation in the future.
- The course has e-learning component which will make it more attractive for both internal and external beneficiaries.

# THANK YOU!



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