LOCAL DECISION MAKING



Erasmus Intensive Programme



Brno, April 7-21 2013

Are you interested in active citizenship? ✓ Do you like learning through experience? ✓

We would like to invite students to take part in Local Decision Making (LDM) Erasmus Intensive Programme in Brno in spring 2013. The main goal of the two-week programme is to present important issues of decision making processes and governance on the municipal level in European comparative context. You will learn about various topics connected to the local level of government in cooperation with lecturers and students from seven partner universities and higher education institutions. Each of the partners can send five students to participate in the project and to represent their school, their city and their country. So apply through your home university now!

IP LDM partner institutions:

Inholland University, Rotterdam, the Netherlands (project coordinator and host in 2012)
North Karelia University of Applied Sciences, Joensuu, Finland
Togliatti State University, Togliatti, Russia
Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, Scotland
KATHO, Kortrijk, Belgium
University of Humanities and Economics, Lodz, Poland
Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic (host in 2013)

Structure of the two-week program:

IP LDM in Brno includes both theoretical and practical parts. In the morning sessions, lectures about the main topics (see below) will be held by teachers from all partner universities. Presentations, team work, and visits of local institutions are planned for afternoon sessions.

Topics of IP LDM:

- 1. Safety and security
- 2. Leisure
- 3. Local media
- 4. Civil society and social networks
- 5. Economy, welfare, budget

For the two-week IP LDM in Brno students will receive **5 ECTS** credits.



Team-work tasks for students:

- home reports a group of students from one partner school will prepare and present a report about the situation in their home town
- onsite team report during the two weeks in Brno, multinational groups of students will create and present a report on one of the above mentioned topics

Experience with local institutions:

Visiting local institutions and local decision makers can help you to understand the tasks and the functioning of local decision making processes. You will have a chance to discuss with the representatives of local television, the Ombudsman, the Constitutional Court of Justice and the Brno municipality.

Social program

During the stay in Brno you can enjoy social events such as welcome dinner or farewell party organized by MU. The city of Brno can offer a variety of cultural and social events in April, e.g. the International Festival of Theatre Schools, film festivals; and you can see functionalist architectural treasures such as the Vila Tugendhat, participate in leisure activities of student clubs or just relax at musical concerts and parties (http://www.brno.me/enjoy.html).

IMPORTANT DATES of IP LDM BRNO 2013

Student recruitment: 20 November - 19 December 2012

Student manual will be available: 15 January 2013

Start with home reports: 1 February 2013
Deadline for home reports: 1 March 2013
Date of the project in Brno: **7 - 21 April 2013**

LINKS:

Find IP LDM on Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/LocalDecisionMakingPart2Brno

See our page with information and documents linked:

http://www.fss.muni.cz/en/site/zahranici/intensive programme



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Czech Republic:

www.czechtourism.cz