

Report regarding
Erasmus Project + “An Interesting Journey from Theory to Practice and from School to Business”
Oradea, Romania

The Romanian mobility of the Erasmus Project was held during the week that started on 25th of September with the arrival of the guests from the participating countries and ended on 1st of October with the departure of the guests.

It was a great opportunity for all students to learn more about starting and maintaining different kinds of businesses while also getting to socialize and exchange experiences with people from other cultural backgrounds.

25th of September was marked by the check in of the guests at their accommodation at the Continental Hotel in Oradea.

On 26th of September, the project officially started with the opening ceremony. The highlight of the day were the ice-breaking activities that allowed all the participants to get to know one another and communicate. What is more, afterwards, the participants got to eat lunch at a well-known local restaurant that welcomed them around the same time almost every day of the week. The visit of the tall townhall tower also stood out because of the excellent bird’s eye view of the beautiful city of Oradea.

On Tuesday, the 27th of September, the students got a tour of the University of Oradea, more specifically, its Faculty of Economic Sciences. In addition, the visit to a local winery helped the participants get insight into the factors of running such a business while also learning about the production of wine.

28th of September continued with the business-orientated training of the students. They had to present their prepared business plans and then received feedback during the presentation of components of a business plan held by an economical sciences professor from the University of Oradea. Subsequently, the participants visited the Bihor County Management Agency and had the chance to understand the local economy more deeply and also get to know important facts about the Romanian job market.

During the 29th of September, the participants went on a trip to the neighboring county where they had the opportunity to learn about the interesting particularities of agricultural start-up businesses. On the way back to Oradea, the students and the teachers also visited the culturally rich Romanian city of Cluj-Napoca.

30th of September was slightly upsetting because all was coming to an end, but what mattered was the fact that everything that had taken place furthered the participants’ knowledge of business. The day started with giving and receiving feedback of the activities and interactions. Then, there was the Closing Ceremony which consisted of the awarding of the participants followed by a fun Romanian history presentation and also a wonderful short concert organized by the hosting school rock music band. Afterwards, participants visited the Oradea Fortress Museum where they learned about the local history. In the evening, the hosts organized a tradition cuisine banquet where everyone could not only share their experience of the project but also strengthen their already formed bonds. Everyone enjoyed the traditional food and also danced together to celebrate this short but insightful week-long journey.

On the 1st of October, the guests left Oradea and started their journeys back home.

To sum up, this chapter of the current Erasmus project has successfully created a favorable environment for the participants to learn a lot about creating, starting and running a business while also allowing for cultural exchanges and socializing amongst fellow international colleagues during the mentioned week.

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