2017-2018 Activity Performance

Economics Department



The 1st Training on Research Methodologies

- **Date**: 26/1/2018
- **Target Audience:** researchers, academicians, PhD/Master students
- No. of Participants: 25
- Objectives and Expected Impact: Efficiently and effectively communicate core economic principles in an engaging format. Life Long Learning



- Goal 1.1. Attract high quality and diverse academic staff.
- Goal 1.2. Increase the participation of academic staff in trainings in their areas of expertise.
- Goal 1.3. Extend the reach of the department by expanding activities in teaching, learning, and research.
- Impact evaluation: Very High Impact (Participants' Feedbacks was highly satisfactory)



First Research Workshop for PhD Students and Young Researchers

- **Date**: 22/2/2018
- Target Audience: Students, young researchers, experienced professor and researchers.
- No. of Participants: 12
- **Objectives and Expected Impact:** To provide the current doctoral students and young researchers with feedback and support them to continue with their work.



- Specific Goals:
 - Goal 4.1. Engage in interdisciplinary research, especially through the other departments and research centers of Epoka University.
 - Goal 5.1. Encourage and support faculty to increase research productivity and quality.
 - Goal 5.2. Attract and retain quality faculty and strengthen the reputation of the department.
- Impact evaluation: Very High Impact (Feedbacks was highly satisfactory because of constructive and helpful discussions)

"Karl Popper" debate organized by AAB and BoA

- **Date**: 30/3/2018
- Target Audience: Current and prospective students, teachers and interested representatives from universities.
- No. of Participants:25
- Objectives and Expected Impact: To helped all the participating students create a clear picture on how the banking system really works; beyond books and academic knowledge.



- Specific Goals:
 - Goal 2.2.Increase Retention and Graduation Rates for Undergraduate Students
 - Goal 2.4. Equip our undergraduates with skills that will put them in high demand for internships.
- **Impact evaluation:** *High Impact.*(*Important for student awareness and competitive skills.*)

2nd Symposium, Envisioning Albania 2030.

- **Date** : 18/05/2018
- **Target Audience:** Strategic thinkers in government, academia, business, and the labor force; prospective Master's and PhD students.
- No. of Participants: 150
- **Objectives and Expected Impact:** Stimulate careful research and networking on what must be done to ensure a prosperous future for Albanian businesses and workers.



- Goal 5.3. Incorporate the three main pillars, teaching, research and contribution to society by increasing the social activities that include academia, businesses/NGOs and governmental bodies.
- Goal 5.4. Orient thesis topics/research topics toward the concrete needs and gaps in the Albanian market and beyond.
- Impact evaluation: Very High Impact. (Participation included academicians/NGO/Governmental Representations from a considerable number of institutions)

Visit to Central Bank of Albania

- **Date**: 10/4/2018
- **Target Audience:** Students of Economics Department
- **▶** No. of Participants:21
- Objectives and Expected Impact: To expand further knowledge on the history of the Central Bank and Monetary Policy.



- Goal 2.1. Increase by Undergraduate Student Enrollment and Success
- Goal 2.2. Increase Retention and Graduation Rates for Undergraduate Students
- Goal 2.4. Equip our undergraduates with skills that will put them in high demand for internships.
- Impact evaluation: High Impact.(Important for student awareness on BoA's activities and history. Student Feedbacks were very positive)

ECO-talk, Share, Learn and Wonder

- **Date**: 20/04/2018
- **Target Audience:**. The competition targets was prospective new students.
- No. of Participants: 3
- **Objectives and Expected Impact:** Recruitment of New Students.



- Specific Goals:
 - Goal 2.1. Increase by Undergraduate Student Enrollment and Success
- **Impact evaluation:** *No Impact.* (Participant number was relatively low)

Albanian Economic Performance: 2017 Annual Report

- **Date**: 30/04/2018
- **Target Audience:** *Policy makers, businessmen, and other stakeholders*
- No. of Participants:7
- Objectives and Expected Impact: The report reviews the Albania's national economic milestones and most prominent achievements over the past period, while analyzing its present status and exploring its future prospects.



Specific Goals:

- Goal 4.1. Engage in interdisciplinary research, especially through the other departments and research centers of Epoka University.
- Goal 5.1. Encourage and support faculty to increase research productivity and quality
- Goal 5.2. Attract and retain quality faculty and strengthen the reputation of the department.
- **Impact evaluation:** *High Impact.* (*This report was prepared from academicians of 4 different HEIs*)



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2nd Research Workshop for PhD Students

- **Date** : 12/6/2018
- **Target Audience:** Students, young researchers, experienced professor and researchers.
- **▶ No. of Participants:** 13
- **Objectives and Expected Impact:** To provide the current doctoral students and young researchers with feedback and support them to continue with their work.



- Goal 4.1. Engage in interdisciplinary research, especially through the other departments and research centers of Epoka University.
- Goal 4.2. Engage in multi-organizational and multi-national research
- Goal 4.3. Encourage faculty, staff and students to be active in their professional communities.
- Impact evaluation: Very High Impact. (Participants' Feedbacks was highly satisfactory because of constructive and helpful)

Student Conference on Economics, Finance, Business and Social Sciences, SCE-2018

Date: 25/6/2018

■ Target Audience: Current and prospective students, teachers and interested representatives from companies/institutions/NGOs.

No. of Participants: More than 30

Objectives and Expected Impact: To encourage students and young researchers present their works and develop their skills. The conference serves as good contributor also for their career development.



- Goal 3.3.Offer research opportunities that feature applications to critical national needs, cross-disciplinary knowledge and global economic skills.
- Goal 3.4. Increase our competitiveness for domestic graduate students.
- Impact evaluation: Very High Impact (Important for student academic and presentation skills, increased number of Student publication)

Thank You!

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