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Meeting of the Working Group to prepare a proposal for new Master program
"Information Technologies in Ecology"

06.12.2012, South-Western University "Neofit Rilski", Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria

Working Group:

Chairman - Prof. Dr. Konstantin Tyufekchiev, Department of Geography, Ecology and Environmental Protection and

Members:

1. Prof. Dr Mariana Lyubenova - Department of Ecology and Environmental Protection, BF, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski "

2. Prof. Dr Alexander Chikalanov – University of Library and Information Technologies, Sofia

3. Prof. Dr Elena Karashtranova – Deputy Dean, Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty, Department of Informatics, South-Western University, Blagoevgrad

4. Prof. Dr Dimitrina Kerina – Deputy Dean, Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty, Department of Physics, South-Western University, Blagoevgrad

5. Chief ass. Dr. Lydia Sakelarieva – Department of Geography, Ecology and Environmental Protection, South-Western University, Blagoevgrad

6. Snejina Kristeva – Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water, Blagoevgrad

7. Christina Kovacheva – Secretary, Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty, South-Western University, Blagoevgrad

8. Iskra Vagalinska - Damyanova – Inspektor, Academic Affairs, Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty, South-Western University, Blagoevgrad

The Commission discussed the proposed from Prof. Mariana Lyubenova new Master program "Information Technologies in Ecology". The topics of the discussion are: objectives of the new program; student' interest in the program, employers and other potential users of the program; appropriate structure of Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty and availability of teachers with appropriate qualifications and experience for most courses; required target profile of students; structure of teaching content and more.

Working group decisions:

1. The new Master program "Information Technologies in Ecology" is an innovative and unique and meets market needs.
2. There is compliance between the Master program and mission, goals and strategies of South-Western University "Neofit Rilski" and Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty. The faculty has professors with appropriate qualification and experience.
3. The Master program will be structured in 3 modules, and program duration will be 2 or 4 semesters, depending on the type of Bachelor degree and form of student training (full time or partly time).
4. Specifies the name, number and consistency of the proposed mandatory and elective courses, classes and their teachers.
5. Propose the implementation of post-graduate qualification "Information Technologies in Ecology" for 2012-13 school years. The arguments for this proposal are: the presence of more than 250 potential users in Blagoevgrad district - employees of Environment and Water Inspection, Basin Directorate, the National Park "Rila" and "Pirin", municipal officials and others.
6. Developing the original version of the Master program "Information Technologies in Ecology" (school records) to be performed on 01.12.2012.
7. The Master program "Information Technologies in Ecology" is going to start for 2013-14 studding year.
8. Prof. Dr. Mariana Lyubenova was proposed as a supervisor of the Master program "Information Technologies in Ecology".

Date: 12.06.2012

Chairman

Prof. Dr K. Tyufekchiev

Compiled Minutes

Chief ass. Dr L. Sakelarieva