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Description of the organisation

Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iaşi is the oldest higher education institution in Romania. Since 1860, the university has been carrying on a tradition of excellence and innovation in the fields of education and research. With over 23.000 students and 742 academic staff, the university enjoys high prestige at national and international level and cooperates with 403 universities world-wide. Alexandru Ioan Cuza University is a member of some of the most important university networks and associations: the Coimbra Group, EUA – European University Association, Utrecht Network, International Association of Universities, University Agency of Francophony and the Network of Francophone Universities (RUFAC). These partnerships offer us the opportunity to experience changes, to have student and teacher mobilities and joint academic, research and strategy programmes.

Alexandru Ioan Cuza University became the first student-centered university in Romania, once the Bologna Process was implemented. We believe in the power of individual choice and customized education. Thus, we became the first Romanian university to offer students the opportunity to choose both a major and a minor field of study, in a combination at their choice, that best suits their career goals.

Research at our university is top level. In 2008, for the third year in a row, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University was placed first in the national research ranking compiled on the basis of Shanghai criteria. Our teachers are involved in over 187 national and international research projects. Striving for excellence, the university takes unique initiatives to stimulate research quality, to encourage dynamic and creative education and to involve its best students in academic life.

Academic Year 2018-2019

Total number of students: 22 616:

Bachelor studies (full time and distance learning): 16 604 Master studies (full time and distance learning): 5 240 Doctoral studies (full time and distance learning): 772 Total number of students, distributed on faculties:

Biology: 749 Chemistry: 262

Law and Center for European Studies: 1 934 Economy and Business Administration: 6 739

Sports: 822 Philosophy: 2 118 Physics: 399

Geography and Geology: 1 250 Computer Science: 1 586

History: 607 Letters: 2 050 Mathematics: 493

Psychology and Education Sciences: 2 490

Orthodox Theology: 987 Roman-Catholic Theology: 130

Teaching staff: 732

International Cooperation Academic year 2017-2018

> Bilateral agreements Erasmus: 850 Foreign Erasmus Students: 205 Romanian Erasmus students: 301 Romanian Erasmus trainees: 315 Romanian teaching staff: 214 Romanian staff trainees: 106

Research projects

National Plan for Research, Development and Innovation for the period 2015 – 2020 (PNCDI III) – 161 financing instruments. Total contracts value: 11,179,071 RON.

Other projects under the national contracting authorities – 6. Total contracts value: 173,487 RON. International Projects: 44, total contracts value: 970,830 RON, distributed as follows:

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COST actions - 25

DUBNA research topics - 9

DG Justice – 1 DG Employment –2 Cooperation RO-Korea – 2

POC, AP1, 1.2.3. Action – Knowledge Transfer Partnerships – 1

UAIC grants - 10

Third parties contracts - 3

Subsidiary contract for the implementation of the project "Electronic Electronic Access to Scientific Literature for Supporting the Research and Education System of ROMANIA – ANELIS PLUS 2020" – 502,055 RON, which ensures free access to the most important online libraries of scientific research literature – including databases: Clarivate Analytics, Science Direct Freedom Collection Journal ACCES, SCOPUS, MathSciNet, SciFinder, ScinceDirect and eBooks.

15 Student hostels

Experience of the organization in previous European projects

Please see all international projects that UAIC coordinated or participated to at http://www.uaic.ro/en/cercetare/international-projects/

More details about international collaborations are available at http://www.uaic.ro/en/international/

Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area

UAIC, especially through the Faculty of Computer Science (the direct participant in Anthropocene) has a number of relevant experiences developed in the framework of previous European projects focusing on innovative teaching and learning methodologies:

- LT4eL Language Technologies for elearning -https://cordis.europa.eu/project/rcn/80585/factsheet/en
- ROTEL Intelligent systems for the Semantic Web, based on logics, ontologies and language technologies; CEEX 29 (National Centre of Excellence)
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- CLARIN Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure; INFRA-2007-2.2-01, 212230 - https://www.clarin.eu
- PARSEME IC1207 Parsing and multi-word expressions. Towards linguistic precision and computational efficiency in natural language processing https://www.cost.eu/actions/IC1207/#tabs|Name:overview
- enetCollect CA16105 European Network for Combining Language Learning with Crowdsourcing Techniques https://www.cost.eu/actions/CA16105/#tabs|Name:overview

Faculty of Computer Science maintains a great collaboration with high schools around the region of Moldova (6-8 counties), being a vivid participant in their activities

Contact Person's Experience and Expertise

Corina FORĂSCU is Associate Professor at UAIC, Faculty of Computer Science and a former researcher at the Romanian Academy Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence, Bucharest. For almost 15 years her research themes have been in Artificial Intelligence, with a special focus on NLP, mainly in discourse theories and structure, anaphora resolution, e-learning, machine translation, machine learning, knowledge representation, lexical semantics, WordNet architectures, summarization, question-answering, annotation tools, acquisition and processing of linguistic resources.

She has successfully participated in European Framework Program projects, Erasmus Mundus projects (OUTDOC, EMERGE, IANUS) and national projects within PN2 program or with structural funds.

In 2017 she was a Fulbright grantee at the University of Rochester, New York, on topics related to technical entrepreneurship.

Adrian URSU graduated Environmental science at Faculty of Geography and Geology in Iaşi, Romania and the Master Programme in Soil Science at the same university. In 2009, he finished the Phd in Physical Geography. He is lecturer at the Faculty of Geography and Geology, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iaşi, Romania. The scientific activity covers Environmental Science, Sustainable Development, Remite sensing and Geographical Information Systems. He has 17 years of experience in teaching Environmental Geography, GIS and Sustainable development in Romania. Through Erasmus + teaching mobility and ESEE fund he lectured in Italy, France, Spain and Iceland. He has participated and coordinated various projects concerning Land Use Change, Risks assessment and Natura 2000 sites. He co-organises from 2007 until now the conference "Present Environment and Sustainable

Development" and the journal with the same name, that is indexed in Clarivate Analitycs.