



# Project: Emphasis on Developing and Upgrading of Competences for Academic Teaching (Educa-T)

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## General information:

- Project is co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme Key Action 3/KA3/- Support to the implementation of EHEA reforms
- **Project duration: 15 June 2016 – 14 June 2018 (24 months)**
- **Project budget: € 194.414,75**
- Beneficiary: Ministry of Science and Education
- Target groups:
  - Academics
  - Management of higher education institutions
  - Students
  - Staff of the Ministry of Science and Education
  - Experts in teacher training and quality of teaching and learning



## Priority themes:

- Creating legal and policy preconditions for **improvement of teaching and learning in Croatian higher education**;
- Defining **a competence framework and a competence enhancement programme** for academic staff;
- **Raising awareness** about importance of quality teaching and learning in higher education.



## Activities

- Kick-off conference
- Thematic PLAs
- Analysis of existing practices and experiences in quality teaching and continuing professional development of academic teachers
- Working group
- Study trips
- European events
- Feasibility study
- Final conference



# Awareness raising activities



- **Kick-off conference:**
  - 22 and 23 September 2016
  - 85 participants
  - 5 international experts (speakers)
- **Study trips**
  - At least 3 three-day study trips with the aim to learn from countries with developed policies and practice in quality teaching and learning in higher education
- **European events**
  - Participation in events organized by other EU and EHEA countries that are dealing with quality teaching and learning in higher education and related Bologna process priorities
- **Final conference**
- **Project website: <http://educa-t.hr/>**

## Thematic PLAs

- Raising awareness about the importance of enhancing the quality and relevance of learning and teaching in Croatian higher education
- Opportunity to learn about international experience and best practices in different topics (student-centered learning, use of learning outcomes, employability/graduate tracking, lifelong guidance...)
- First PLA on recognition of prior learning and e-learning, 26 and 27 January 2017
- Second PLA on use of learning outcomes, April/May 2017
- Third PLA on???



# **Analysis of existing practices and experiences in quality teaching and continuing professional development of academic teachers**

- Procurement procedure in December 2016, January 2017
- Team of experts: Tomislav Baković, Mia Delić, Ines Dužević, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Zagreb
- Collecting and analysing data by independent experts on the current situation in Croatian higher education regarding existing practices and positive experiences in quality teaching and learning, as well as on prevailing paths for the continuing professional development of academics





## Working group

- **By the end of January 2018: Policy recommendations**
  - National and institutional level recommendations for new legal provisions for professional development of academics, capacity building activities for academics, development of IT tools etc.
- **By the end of May 2018: Academics' competence profile and curriculum framework for teaching competence enhancement**
- **Focus groups and workshops: September 2017 - January 2018**
  - Present and test ideas with relevant stakeholders
  - At least 8 one-day national workshops





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