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# **Modernization of Doctoral Education in Science and Improvement of Teaching Methodologies**

## **MODEST**

### **Meeting**

### **Brunel University**

### **July 1-2, 2019**



### MODEST Meeting Preliminary Agenda

<b>Meeting N°</b>		<b>Meeting Type</b>	Physical (Partnership meeting)
<b>Meeting Date</b>	1-2.07.2019		
<b>Meeting Place</b>	London, UK		
<b>Host Institution/ Organizer</b>	Brunel University London		
<b>Participants</b>	MODEST consortium members (average 3-4 persons/partner institution) Invited persons: Key speakers about soft skills study courses and impact on development of research Representatives from faculties of Brunel University London		
<b>Meeting Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Workshop for soft skills theory and training</li><li>2. Information about Doctoral Education in UK and at the Brunel University London</li><li>3. Information about similar ERASMUS+ and Tempus projects at the Brunel University London (BUL)</li><li>4. Visit to BUL</li><li>5. Presentation of WP1</li><li>6. Solving administrative and financial issues</li></ol>		
<b>Reference to Project Activities and Outcomes</b>	WP1.1; WP 1.2. (PhD systems in partner countries and EU countries) WP 1.3. (Implementation of soft skills training courses) WP 2.1. (discussion on course modules – content, target groups, pedagogical approaches) WP4 (discussion on existing virtual platforms in partner universities) WP5 (QA issues) WP6 (Dissemination issues) WP7(Project management and financial issues)		
<b>Target groups</b>	Members of Subject Area Groups (priority for PhD education) Contact persons from partner institutions		
<b>Meeting Schedule</b>	(see Appendix)		
<b>Expected Results</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Presentations on WP1.1. and WP 1.2.</li><li>2. Dissemination and exploitation strategy update</li></ol>		
<b>Meeting Evidence</b>	Recorded web stream of the meeting Recorded training material		



**Appendix 1. MODEST Meeting Agenda at Brunel University London**

<b>29-30 June (Saturday – Sunday)</b>	
	Arrival of participants

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2019**

All presentations are in Tower C, 005, Green Studio

<b>9.00-9.05</b>	<i>Opening words</i> Prof Mariann Rand-Weaver
<b>9.05-9.30</b>	<b>MODEST project</b> Inga Skendere, University of Latvia
<b>9.30-10:00</b>	<b>Graduate Education at Brunel University</b> Tatiana Kalganova
<b>10.00-10.30</b>	<b>Graduate School at Brunel University</b> Senthila Quirke, University Lead for Postgraduate Development
<b>10.30-11.00</b>	<i>Coffee Break (offered by BUL)</i>
<b>11.00-12.00</b>	<b>PRES in UK</b> Ian Dear, Dean of Students
<b>12.00-13.00</b>	<b>Effective supervision of PhD students in UK</b> Maysam Abbod, Reader in Intelligent Systems
<b>13.00-14.00</b>	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>14.00-15.00</b>	<b>Soft skills module: How to write high impact research paper</b> Lu Gan
<b>15.00-15.30</b>	<b>Research in CEDPS and involvement of Graduate School</b> Hua Zhao, CEDPS, Vice Dean (Research)
<b>15.30-16.00</b>	<i>Coffee break (offered by BUL)</i>
<b>16.00-16.30</b>	<b>Integrated PhD program in UK</b> Inmaculada Andrés, program coordinator, Graduate School
<b>16.30-17.30</b>	<b>The use of Graduate School facilities in everyday PhD supervision (e-vision, 3D tool, BEEC and Graduate School training program)</b> Maysam Abbod, Reader in Intelligent Systems
<b>17.30-19.00</b>	<b>Brunel University London tour</b> Ben Meunier and Afsaana Chowdhury
<b>19.00</b>	<b>Dinner</b>



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### Tuesday 2nd July

All presentations are in Tower C, 005, Green Studio

<b>9.30-9.45</b>	<b>Doctoral candidate's point of view</b>
	Ivars Dzalbs, PhD student, 2nd year
<b>9:45 – 10:15</b>	<b>Report on WP1 Armenia</b>
<b>10.15-11.00</b>	<b>WP4: Web learning platforms and the ways to move forward for MODEST</b>
	Tatiana Kalganova and Jonas Skackauskas
<b>11.00-11.30</b>	<i>Coffee break (offered by BUL)</i>
<b>11:30-12:15</b>	<b>Soft skills module: Foundations building good poster</b>
	Inmaculada Andrés, program coordinator, Graduate School
<b>12.15-12.30</b>	<b>Closing words</b>
<b>13.00-14.00</b>	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>14.00-15.00</b>	<b>MODEST project meeting</b> WP4 preparation

### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Departure of participants