

## ERASMUS POLICY STATEMENT

Internationalization is a key component of the strategic vision of ITS Cuccovillo. Our institution is strongly committed to action to make more and more international dimension embedded in its teaching activities.

Our idea is that internationalization is a key tool to further increase the quality of our educational programs by connecting with more and more innovative programs and updated at European level. In fact the new and complex challenges that global market forces in higher education need an approach that goes beyond the national dimension, focusing more and more on the creation of international networking .

With this in mind, ITS Cuccovillo intends to activate a process of internationalization, starting from the strengthening of web links with potential partner institutions within the Erasmus network to broaden the opportunities for personal mobility and students in the area of European study, providing a greater chance of dialogue and collaboration. In this respect, the focus is not only geographical but also disciplinary, focusing on foreign institutes with similar approaches disciplinary like Mechanics, Mechatronics, Energy, Green Economy, Logistics and Transport

Within the borders of the EU, the international partnership strategy followed Cuccovillo of ITS will be driven by the need to pay more attention, in the first time, to regions geographically closer to us, like Germany, Austria , France, as countries which first brought forward reality training similar to ITS and where are the parent companies of our partners ALSTOM Transport and Energy, Bosch, Getrag, etc., but also Albania, Montenegro, Romania because as countries that are still in the process of transformation and Educational Training and are very close and easy to connect to Bari.

At a later time, armed with these experiences, we could think of to broaden our experiences in these international projects, such as, for example, the countries of North Africa or CentralSouth America where our other partners could act as intermediaries.

It is intended, therefore, to offer a wide range of opportunities for staff and students who wish to interact with different learning environments in order to enrich and diversify their skills and knowledge.

In the framework of the Erasmus main target for international mobility will be the students, in addition to providing scholarships for EU also supports additional disadvantaged students.

*Description of institution's strategy for the organisation and implementation of international (EU and non-EU) cooperation projects within the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme.*

The ITS Cuccovillo intends to invest many resources in the creation of administrative features aimed at making more effective involvement in the Institute's EU cooperation programs. In this regard, it is planned strengthening of a European office desk and the hiring of new administrative staff with specific training in this field. The Institute will put the system in outreach activities aimed at increasing the awareness of students and staff on training opportunities available at the European level, through workshops and seminars periodicals devoted. The ITS Cuccovillo has its specialization in the field of mechanical engineering and mechatronics, so the main focus in its cooperation projects will be primarily focused within these themes.

*Description of the expected impact of our participation in the Erasmus+ Programme on the modernisation of our institution.*

The ITS Cuccovillo considers the internationalization policies as tools to achieve significant advances in their institutional mission and to improve its interaction with both its own territory, which at the level European and global levels. The main expectation of ITS Cuccovillo to EU programs is to enhance the quality of its teaching through dynamic and interactive contamination with other European carriers of traditions and skills of absolute value. Through the development of international mobility, ITS Cuccovillo will be able to test the preparation of their students at the international level, encouraging the creation of an open learning environment that will benefit the institution staff, students and the local community in complex. Consistent with this approach, ITS Cuccovillo will be actively involved in the process of multiranking to assess the level of his performance, but may also contribute to the global dialogue on the effectiveness and reliability of certification systems. As for the students, ITS Cuccovillo looks to international mobility and cooperation as well as a fundamental tool to enrich their education and expand their opportunities to compete in the world market and prepare to meet the increasingly diverse needs of employers work both locally as well as internationally.

In this regard, the Erasmus program has proved to be a wonderful experience not only in training, but more generally in terms of life experience, because it allows the students to train key competences for their future life as the ability to cope and negotiate in a different social and cultural environment, the ability to build and develop networks in an unknown world. Another improvement is expected in the interaction between the ITS Cuccovillo and its surroundings.

Through the EU mobility the Institute plans to make more effective the knowledge triangle, which may take into account, in the planning of its educational offerings, not only the needs of local stakeholders but also the experience of the partner institutions. A further future activities that will enable ITS deemed linked to the formation of future young entrepreneurs. It will verify the feasibility of opening an office specifically to assist potential young entrepreneurs from the collection of information on the law and regulations until the launch of start-up.