**ERASMUS+ 2014/15**

**Structural Funds Management**

Course Syllabus

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| 1. Name of the course | Structural Funds Management (Introduction to EU Regional Policy and Structural Funds Management) |
| 2. Responsible unit | Institute of Economic Sciences,Section of International Economic Relations |
| 3. Code of the course |  |
| 4. Course language | English |
| 5. Type of the course content | Basic |
| 6. Type of the course | Obligatory |
| 7. Year / Semester | 2/4 |
| 8. Lecturer(s) | Dr.Wladyslaw Szmyt  Office:Room 105 Building B  Phone: 71 3752983  E-mail: wszmyt@prawo.uni.wroc.pl |
| 9. Lecturer’s substitute |  |
| 10. Type of instructions | Lecture:2 hours per week (odd week); 7 weeks |
| 11. Prerequisites | None |
| 12. Number of hours | 15 |
| 13. ECTS points | 4 |
| 14. Course objectives | The aim of the course is to provide overview of the assistance from the EU structural funds. Students will be able to locate and analyze information about the EU assistance programmes. They will be able to create full project proposals and be productively involved in their subsequent implementation. They will have an overview of the aid system and suitable programmes in the EU and Poland (or countries of origin,when students from abroad take part in course). They will have an overview of the implementation system of structural funds and be able to identify suitable aid programmes and create full funding proposal and prepare supporting documents to the proposal (especially the feasibility study), understand key project success factors, understand differences in the preparation and management of soft and hard projects. They will be able to individually work on a project application, have experiences with team work, will be  able to navigate the project life cycle and identify key tasks in respective phases.  The aim of the classes/workshops is to introduce students to main knowledge on European project management and they cover the following topics:  - project management - notion, definition and stages  - conditions for project managements resulting from Community's rules of the Structural Funds  - realisation of project  - finance management in European projects  - monitoring of the project's realization  - controlling the realisation of the project  - quality management in project  - project team management  - risk managements in project realization  - rules and methods of project's evaluation |
| 15. Course requirements and grading | The course grade will be base on class participation and final test exam |
| 16. Course outline | **1.** EU policies :regional policy,cohesion policy, structural funds of EU, further programmes and initiatives .The tasks,principles,methods and functions of the EU regional policy.The overarching priorities for the Structural Funds at the EU level:Community Strategic Guidelines.Objectives for 2014-2020:Convergence Objective;Regional Competitiveness and Employment Objective;Territorial Cooperation Objective **2.**Poland (and each member states) and EU – programming period (system of regional aid in Poland .National Level :developing National Strategic Reference Framework.Regional Level:Operational Programmes **3**.Structural funds :The European Regional Development Fund(ERDF);The European Social Fund(ESF). Navigating the system of structural funds and other funding schemes of the EU.Other funding instruments (non-structural funds):European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and European Fisheries Fund.Supporting role of other non-EU financial instruments:Norwegian Financial Mechanism and Financial Mechanism of European Economic Area. Implementation of Structural Funds in Poland (authorities, structure, documents, information sources (EU portals and other sources).The Cohesion Fund and its special role in interventions in the field of the environment and transeuropean transport networks. **4**.Application for funding from Structural Funds – preparing a proposal, finishing application, developing budget, annexes, statistics, feasibility studies, cost-benefit analysis and other documents  **5**.Project management (specifics of management of publicly funded projects), project reports, termination of the project, using software to support project management  **6**.Multiplication effects and sustainability – brainstorming for project ideas, preparing the project proposal, choice of funding scheme, formation of project consortia |
| 17. Course material | http://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/index.cfm/en/information/legislation/guidance/  http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L:2013:347:TOC  http://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/index.cfm/en/atlas/programmes/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **\*** | [**Regulation (EU) No 1300/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the Cohesion Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1084/2006**](http://new.eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/AUTO/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0281.01.ENG) | | **\*** | [**Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Regional Development Fund and on specific provisions concerning the Investment for growth and jobs goal and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1080/2006**](http://new.eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/AUTO/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0289.01.ENG) | | **\*** | [**Regulation (EU) No 1302/2013 of the european Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 amending Regulation (EC) No 1082/2006 on a European grouping of territorial cooperation (EGTC) as regards the clarification, simplification and improvement of the establishment and functioning of such groupings**](http://new.eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/AUTO/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0303.01.ENG) | | **\*** | [**Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006**](http://new.eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/AUTO/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0320.01.ENG) | | **\*** | [**Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Social Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1081/2006**](http://new.eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/AUTO/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2013.347.01.0470.01.ENG) |   European Commission.Aid Delivery Methods.Vol.1 Project Cycle Management Guidelines,Brussels,March 2004 |