WUS AUSTRIA BELGRADE OFFICE

Founded in September 2001

Started with two employees, currently has six

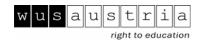
Implements ADA projects in the HE area - over 3.000.000 EUR in the period 2001-2007

Involvement of academic staff and students (2001-2007):

- At least 1044 professors, assistants and students directly involved in implementation of various projects
- Approx. 900 students and academics per year benefit from our counselling services (over 6000 in total)

Close cooperation with key stakeholders in the HE area (universities, ministries)

- Ministers, deputy Ministers, Rectors and Vice-rectors involved in the decision-making process
- Partnership with the Ministry of Science a major co-funder of academic and infrastructure reform projects



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HIGHER EDUCATION IN SERBIA

HE institutions:

- Universities (faculties, art academies, colleges)
- Vocational academies
- Vocational colleges

Six state universities in total:

- Belgrade
- Novi Sad
- Nis
- Kragujevac
- Arts Belgrade
- Novi Pazar

Close cooperation with all public universities; numerous projects over the years



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HIGHER EDUCATION IN SERBIA (continued)

New HE Law adopted in 2005

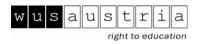
Relevant bodies formed:

- National HE Council
- National Commission for Accreditation and Quality Control
- Rector's Conference
- ENIC/NARIC Centre

Bologna implementation in progress. Major open questions:

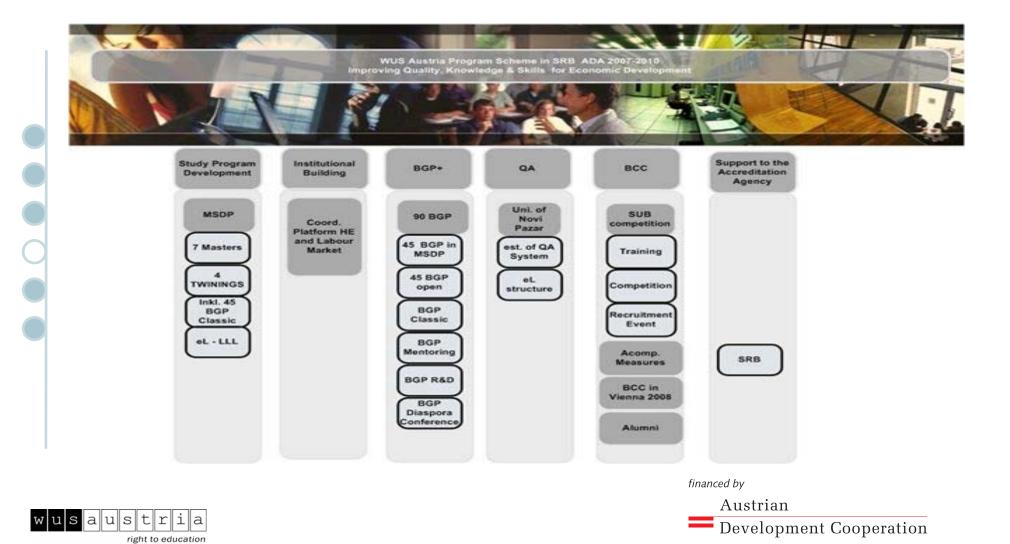
- 3+2 or 4+1
- Equivalence of degrees

Process of accreditation in progress



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A LOOK AT THE ADA PROJECT IN SERBIA

Master Studies Development Program (MSDP):

- Seven labour market oriented Master programs to be financed
- Close cooperation with the local LM
- Cooperation (preferably twinning) with Austrian (EU) HE institutions

Supporting measures for MSDP:

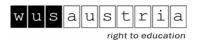
- Brain Gain Program (45 MSDP and 45 open visits lectures, mentoring and/or research)
- LLL/eLearning Program (15 training seminars, eLearning network portal)

Supporting to the University of Novi Pazar:

- Establishment of Quality Assurance system
- eLearning Centre

Supporting to the Accreditation Agency

Balkan Case Challenge – Serbian semi-finals



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STATUS QUO IN THE PROJECTS

Application period in progress - MSDP deadline: September 15, 2008

Info days at universities:

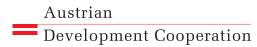
- great interest shown by universities/faculties
- not very significant interest by companies

Fields of interest for cooperation with Austrian universities/faculties:

- Regional Policy and Development
- Agriculture
- Forestry
- Technical Sciences: Engineering, IT
- Philology
- Organisational Sciences
- Architecture
- Law



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