

TRAIN THE TRAINER WORKSHOP at June 17th to June 28th 2024.



BIMTECH faculty attended EU funded **TRAIN THE TRAINER WORKSHOP** under Project **AIDEdU**. “**Adopting International Standards of Teaching and Learning: A didactic approach**” was the key objective for this workshop.

BIMTECH, Gr. NOIDA leads work package three (WP3) i.e Capacity Building for Centers of Excellence (COEs) and WP5 i.e designing COEs for efficient implementation of a digital platform with Innovative teaching and learning methods with respect to inclusive and technology driven education.

WP 3 and WP 5 led by Dr. Himanshi Tiwari, Project Lead, BIMTECH, aims to train faculty of HEIs of India and Nepal for conceptualization of COE and assessing and reviewing the 'Integrated approach of learning' which will lead to further formulation of strategy for COEs with regard to selected SDG indicators. BIMTECH will spearhead the preparation of a Report on integrated SDG indicators of the project and on assessment of the implementation of best practices through digital learning platform and its effect on SDGs aimed in the Project.

Recently Dr. Himanshi Tiwari and Dr. Shreya Mishra, BIMTECH along with other partners from India and Nepal attended a **Train the Trainer Workshop** for the digital, inclusive and quality education at RIGA Technical University, Latvia and FH Joanneum Institute of Applied Science, Graz from June 17th to June 28th 2024.

The objectives of the workshop was to understand best teaching learning practices from the European partner universities and imbibe the required infrastructure and facilities existing at the EU universities which can be further implemented at the local level.

BIMTECH shall continue to spread its outreach of the learning by providing support

- to develop competency to set up Centre of excellence (COEs) for teaching learning
- for capacity building to understand the requirements of COEs in teaching learning
- for capacity building for adapting new methods of e-learning

During the workshop, Deputy Vice-rector for International Engagement, RTU, Riga, Dr. Igors Tipāns delivered the keynote speech on University Ecosystems & Strategies, followed by the keynote address on best practices in Digital transformation in RTU by Dr. Uģis Citkovskis. Dr. Atis Kapenieks and Dr. Jānis Kapenieks, highlighted upon 'Moodle environment configuration and knowledge monitoring through Teleci Method' as they facilitated workshop on E-learning. There were interim sessions and individual meetings for discussing Project management matters, deliverables and quality management as well as future collaborations for research and publication.

Workshop on the topic "Students Teach Teachers on Teaching, on how to Teach and be a good Teacher" attracted attention of the entire group of participants who wanted to explore students perspective on a crucial concern of the project. Learning formalization workshop followed by a keynote speech on Roadmap design methodology and deliberation on digital T & L environment by Dr. Karlis Valtins concluded the session on the eve of International Yoga Day. On June 21, participants underwent a Yoga practice session at Academic Center of the University of Latvia - near the Nature and had the opportunity to attend International conference on the theme "Creative Imagination as a Way to Liberation".

City tour, Individual meetings and Visit to international office of University of Latvia made the workshop even more vibrant and enriching.

FH Johanneum University of Applied Sciences at FH Johanneum, Graz, Austria from June 24 to 28, 2024 hosted the second leg of the 'Train the Trainer workshop'.



Welcome speech by Prof. Mag. Dr. Doris Kiendl, Head of Institute International Management and Entrepreneurship was followed by the opening words by coordinator Institution Dr.

Satish Modh, VES Institute of Management, Mumbai and Mag. Birgit Hernády, Head of International Relations Office, International Office FH Joanneum. Dr. Rupert Beinhauer, gave an overview of universities of applied sciences' approach in Austria: specifications, orientation, research and industry collaborations. Prof. Mag. Dr. Birgit Phillips MSc, Head of Higher Education Didactics and AI stole the show by her session on 'Didactical Approach and orientation to Digitalization and modernization of teaching practices'.

Day 2 had sessions on topics like, 'Strategic management and operational planning for Centers of Excellence', 'Drafting strategic planning documents', 'Global Business Program at Institute of International Management & Entrepreneurship' and 'Strategy and vision of FH Joanneum concerning accessible, inclusive and digitalized education', by resource person like Dr. Rupert Beinhauer, Dr. Ligia Pasqualin, Andrea Maria Kling and Prof. Dr. Mont. Corinna Engelhardt-Nowitzki, Scientific Director of FH Joanneum. A World cafe titled, 'A structured conversation to facilitate open and intimate discussions and link ideas within faculty members on Accessible and Inclusive Education, Digitization of Education and International Recognition and Competitiveness', by Ligia Pasqualin engaged everyone to the optimum.

Day 3 on June 26th, started with a site visit and networking at Karl Franz University in Graz, hosted by Faculty of Humanities, Digital Humanities and Digital Education department. Mag. Alice Greiner, Head of Gender & Diversity, deliberated on the gender and diversity strategies at FH Joanneum.



Day 4 and 5 on 27th and 28th June included presentations on 'Integrating digital tools and innovative approaches in teaching and learning' and meeting with Teaching Award winners of 2023 Dr. DI Jurgen Fluch and Mag. Waltraud Jelinek-Krickl as well as and group discussion on 'Sharing Experiences on Digital Learning'. A visit to Smart Lab at FH Joanneum and guided tour at Schloss Eggenberg palace rooms served as perfect culmination of a long and fruitful workshop.



Main objectives of Project AIDEdu is to reiterate the commitment of Higher Education Institutions (HEI) for 'Sustainable Development' by striving to facilitate the accessible, inclusive, digitized quality management education in HEIs in India and Nepal. It aims at achieving partnership goals of HEIs to be more internationally recognized and competitive. It envisions training programs for staff for better quality teaching in an inclusive environment and help them adopt new learning methodologies like flipped classroom, blended teaching, adaptive learning and outcome based learning. This 'Train the Trainer workshop' at Riga, Latvia and Graz, Austria, was a well-planned event under the aegis of Project AIDEdu and will support its objectives and aims to the fullest.