
Numbers and tables

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2009

Higher education

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Mitrovica Summer University did not take place during 2009, but was postponed to early 2010 and renamed the Mitrovica Winter University 2010. This will be reported on in the 2010 Annual Report.

Pristina Summer
University

Item

2007

2008

2009

Courses offered

15

15

15

International professors

15

17

15

Co-professors

16

15

16

ECTS per course

4

5

5

Forums/debates organised

5

6

6

Applications

2212

1283

Participants

374

312

348

Issued certificates

10

215

228

Student evaluation forms handed in

177

221

164

Overall Satisfaction (based on the statement "On the whole, the quality of the course was high") <scale 1-5>

4.22

4.32

4.56

Between 5 and 16 July 2009 SPARK together with An-Najah National University (NNU), hosted a summer university.

The goal of NSA is to provide a unique learning experience for students and staff. It also aims to familiarize visiting academics and students with the situation in Palestine.

Nablus Summer Academy

Item

2009

Courses offered

3

International professors

3

Co-professors

3

Participants

22

Issued certificates

27

Student evaluation forms handed in

8

Overall Satisfaction (based on the statement "On the whole, the quality of the course was high") <scale 1-5>

4,3

Private Sector Development

In 2009 The Business Start-Up Centers in south East Europe that SPARK has been running started their route towards independence, a process that continues in 2010. The objective for the private sector development is to support job creation and entrepreneurship in various ways. In 2009 that meant hosting an Entrepreneurship Development Conference in Brussels, to discuss entrepreneurship in developing countries, and continued capacity building in the South East European Business Start-Up Centers.

Result 2008

Target

2009

Result

2009

New
SMEs (companies) established

100

120

163

Jobs
generated

463

240

706

People
(beneficiaries) trained1

2944

3210

4543

Satisfaction
with quality of Business Skills Training2

9,12

>7.00

9.20

Does
the BPC increase the motivation to take action to start-up a business after
writing the business plan?

72.25%

75%

72.84%

Does
the BPC accelerate the process of putting their ideas into a business plan
(due to deadlines and 'competition element'?)

59.58%

75%

63.33%

Survival
rate of BSC businesses after 2 years

-

80%

97.75%

1
- Beneficiary: 1
person that completed 1 training course (average 20 hours).

2
- On a scale of 1-10 where 10 is highest quality

2008

Midterm Impact Assessment Business Start-up Centres

As part of the private sector development projects, SPARK supports five Business Start-Up Centres in the Western Balkans. These centres are run as joined undertakings by Ministries, local governments, Chambers of Commerce and Universities and are part of the South East European Network for Start-up Centres and Incubators (SENSI). This project is supported by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2007-2010).

Recently, the impact of these centers has been evaluated and reported in a Midterm Impact Assessment. This report reviews the extent to which the endeavors of SPARK have been successfully implemented through the four Business Start-Up Centres in Bar (Montenegro), Kragujevac (Serbia), Zenica (Bosnia & Herzegovina) and Bitola (Macedonia). The primary goal of this report is to submit to the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs on account of midterm outcomes and progress. In addition, the impact of the Business Start-Up Centre Kosovo has been reviewed in a brief report to be submitted for the internal use of the SPARK program and its regional partners. The reports have both been conducted by Megan Price.

You can download the full Midterm Impact Assessment [here](#).

You can download the brief report on the impacts made by BSC Kosovo [here](#).

2008

Accumulated results Higher Education

Result

Total

of courses

33

of visiting professors

36

of co-professors

33

of participants (students)

757

of certificates

599

Accumulated results Private Sector Department

Result

2008

Total

of Business Start-up Centres established and fully operational

0

5

of new companies established

88

95

of international internships arranged

9

31

of business skills training participants

182

2552

of regional conferences organised

3

11

of EU Days organised

2
6

of research projects published

2
9

2007

Accumulated results Higher Education

Result

Total

of courses

40

of visiting professors

40

of co-professors

40

of participants (students)

1046

of certificates

936

Accumulated results Private Sector Department

Result

2007

Total

of Business Start-up Centres established and fully operational

4

5

of new companies established

6

7

of international internships arranged

13

22

of business skills training participants

2370

2370

of (micro-)credit facilities developed

4

5

of business plans competing in competitions

188

188

estimated value of partners pledged contribution in Euros

540.400

540.400

of regional conferences organised

7

5

of EU Days organised

1
2

of research projects published

4
7

More details in our Annual Report 2007

2006

Accumulated results Higher Education

Result

Total

of courses

40

of visiting professors

43

of co-professors

41

of participants (students)

1026

of certificates

808

of trainings organised

2

of participants of trainings

50

of workshops organised

5

of site visits organised

3

Accumulated results Private Sector Department

Result

Total

of conferences organised

2

of EU Days organised

1

of research projects published

3

of international internships arranged

9

of study visits organised

1

of regional business plan competitions organised

2

of business skills training sessions organised

7

of BSCs established

1

of credit facilities developed

1

of SEE business coordination meetings organised

1

of business plan development training sessions implemented

Total # of participants of PSD projects

More than 3650

More details in our Annual Report 2006