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EU FP6 Project U*NIGHT “University by night”

The main goal of this work package is to improve the appreciation of researchers by the general public and by young people in particular. The Researchers Night provided the audience with the opportunity to meet researchers, talk with them and enjoy together a September night party at the university. Another objective was to present researchers as merry, cheerful, jocular and humorous persons with broad interests in the different fields of life – art, poetry, music, etc., and thus to improve their image in the society. Therefore, after the actual Researchers Night the collected materials from exhibitions, newspapers, etc. were put online in order to be accessible to much larger audience.

1. COLLECTED MATERIALS AT UNIVERSITIES IN SOFIA

Sofia University “St. Kl. Ohridski”

The programs of Sofia University (SU) – Faculty of Physics and of the National Polytechnics Museum were published in Bulgarian on <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/> and announced also on the Researchers mobility portal <http://www.era-careers-bg.net/index.php> before the event. Short profiles of most participants at the amusement program of SU, as well as the main organizers were published on the U*NIGHT site: <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/partners.html>.

After the event, a section ‘**Publications**’ was prepared on the web site <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/pub.html>. In this section were published:

- the newspaper ‘HOMO SCIENS’ <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/pub/Homo%20Sciens.pdf>
- the newspaper ‘On the Bulgarian clues’ <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/pub/Po%20Bulgarska%20Sleda.pdf>
- curiosity facts for well-known researchers and for some technology achievements
- Short information for Bulgarian and European researchers

The exhibitions of the children and of researchers were published in the gallery of the site of the Club ‘Young Scientists’ <http://www.cys.bg/gallery/>.

The exhibitions published by SU include:

- children exhibition ‘My view on researchers’ <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/deca.html>
- exhibition Vision of Science <http://www-it.fmi.uni-sofia.bg/u-night/vision/visions-of-science.pdf>

Technical University – Sofia

After the event a photo gallery has been published on <http://elde2410a-1.tu-sofia.bg/U-Night/gallery.htm> , which contains:

- Exhibits of the University museum exhibition “Achievements in Science and Technology at the TU-Sofia”.
- TU researchers’ art works from the exhibition “The Divergent Vision of Lecturers from the Technical University – Sofia”.
- Photos from the musical and entertainment programme, the ball of researchers, students and children (lobby of bl.2) – dances, quizzes.
- Photos of the laboratories and demonstrations;
- Photos from “The painting saxophone performance” demonstrations by the honoured guests from UK - the Southampton Solent University researchers group - Maurice Owen, Graham Smith and Sara Hand.

A photo of the awarded children for high achievements in the U-night diploma project contest with the full titles of their projects and their supervisors are uploaded in the U*NIGHT website of TU-Sofia on http://elde2410a-1.tu-sofia.bg/U-Night/Zashtita_TU_2006.doc

The TU newspaper “Technical Avanguard” published a report on the events, as well as TV Nova Television broadcasted a short report.

Club ‘Young Scientists’

A special subdivision for the project U-Night on the web-site of Club Young Scientists was created. There were available links to the whole information about the project:

- program of the event;
- news on the project;
- possibility for registration of Bulgarian scientists abroad, which will participate in the event through organized from us web-meeting;
- information how to participate in our web-meeting.

On the web-page now could be still seen the gallery related to the project – <http://www.cys.bg/gallery/index.php?cat=2>. There you could find:

- children exhibition from studio “Fairy world” with paintings on the topic “My view on researches”. The children that participated are at the age of 6 to 14. It is valuable to see their opinion about researchers.
- Exhibition of Zlatil Vergilov – a professor in Sofia University. His subject in the university is related with geology but in his free time he enjoys painting. This talented professor shows with his paintings that scientists could have and artistic side in their life.
- Gallery with pictures of the event. In this gallery could be found some pictures from the event in Sofia University.

2. COLLECTED MATERIALS AT UNIVERSITY IN ROUSSE

All the events of the Researchers Night at the University of Rouse have been published on the University web-site, namely:

- Program for the organization of the Children Exhibition
- Program for the organization of the Researchers' Night Party
- Information about the specific exhibition of talented researchers, published in the University newspaper "Studentska Iskra"
- Information about the technological demonstrations
- Information about the "open doors" to University labs
- The "Platform of young researchers" from the Pedagogical Faculty

3. COLLECTED MATERIALS AT UNIVERSITY IN STARA ZAGORA

The programme of the events in Trakia University was published on <http://www.eracareers-bg.net/index.php> and there was an announcement on the web-site of the Department for information and in-service teacher training, organizers of the events in Stara Zagora.

The web-site is prepared in Bulgarian and in English and information about the events held on 22 September could be found.

The collected materials available at the DITT, Trakia University

- 72 paintings from the children's contest,
- Pictures from the exhibition Life of Plants, author Violeta Bozhanova,
- two of the presentations of the young astronomers from the School of astronomy of the Yuriy Gagarine Astronomical Observatory, Stara Zagora.
- video film prepared by the project team in a kindergarden showing what the children know about scientists

Also were collected the questionnaires filled by the visitors.

4. COLLECTED MATERIALS AT UNIVERSITY IN VARNA

After the event, on the web site of TUV <http://tu-varna.bg/u-night> were published:

- the best **paintings** of children's exhibition-competition "What do the scientists work on?"
- photos from the **exhibition of scientists** (plastic arts, glass-staining, photos and paintings)
- **list of high school students**, with regional, national and international awards in the fields of mathematics, physics, astronomy etc.
- **individual invitation** from the Rector of TUV to each secondary school student attending the U*Night party to apply to TUV