Importance of FOSTERC to Belarus

- To support the modernisation of governance, management, functioning and quality of Belarusian HEIs

- To improve HE graduates’ learning outcomes
  - Based on competencies (knowledge, skills and attitudes) development
  - Designing curricular development focusing on graduates’ competencies
  - Upgrading and improving teaching and learning methodologies fostering competencies
High Priority for the Belarusian HE

- Directly focused on the National priorities fixed by Belarus
- Supporting the process of convergence in the recent integration in the Bologna process
- Supporting the harmonisation with other EU HE systems
- Focusing on learning outcomes to increase:
  - The quality of the system
  - The management of teaching and learning processes
  - The connection with the social and economic demands

Call for proposal Erasmus+ programme 2016

- **Fostering Competencies Development in Belarusian Higher Education - FOSTERC**
  - **Key Action 2**: Capacity Building in the field of Higher Education.
  - **Funding scheme**: Structural Project - Education, Audio-visual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA).
  - **Duration**: 3 years project, from October 15th, 2016 to October 14th, 2019.
  - **Positive award criteria**
    - Funding amount: 954,489.00€
Activities that are going to be addressed in FOSTERC

- Mapping teaching modes and learning outcomes in Belarusian HEIs
- Conducting surveys to: graduates, teachers and employers
- Organisation of training workshops: involving teaching and support staff, technicians, university administrators, managers.
- Organisation of training visits of Belarusian partners to EU universities
- Definition of a full model of education on the description of learning outcomes
- Establishing a student-centred teaching model based on competencies development and its implementation as a pilot activity
- Building a constructive process of recognition & validation of competencies & innovative teaching

FOSTERC Consortium

- Coordination and project management: Universitat Politècnica de València (Technical University of Valencia - UPV - Spain) represented by INGENIO (CSIC-UPV).
- 3 European Universities: Lietuvos Edukologijos Universitetas (LEU - Lithuania), U. w Bialystok (UwB - Poland), Turun Yliopisto (U.Turku - Finland)
- 8 Belarusian Universities: Belarusian State University (BSU); Yanka Kupala State U. of Grodno (YKSUG); Belarussian State Pedagogical University (BSPU); Francisk Skorina Gomel State University (GSU); Grodno State Agrarian University (GSAU); Polotsk State University (PSU); Brest State University (BrSU); Belarus State Economic University (BSEU)
- Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus
- National Institute for Higher Education (NIHE - Belarus)
- University Solutions, SL (USSL - Spain)
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Team Introductions

✓ State name, role and organization represented
✓ Identify interest, commitment and contribution to the project

Welcome to Valencia!!

THANK YOU!

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