

Period of activity: 2009

The directions of Pedagogical Network activities have been focused on implementing and completing the second phase of the network developing. We have made an essential input into the solving of the main objectives of the Programme in accordance with the Agreement of Network Launching:

- We have established the close ties between UNESCO Chairs and partnership universities in order to strengthen the pedagogical education,
- We have set the partnership relations between different establishment in the network in order to work out the joint programs, to share the experience and to promote the mobility among academicians and students,
- We have been improving the partnership relations in the process of developing and using ICT in education, in particular, together with UNESCO Institute of ICT (Moscow, Russia),
- We have been developing the methods of interdisciplinary and innovative research by exchanging knowledge and upgrading the existing programmes on the retraining of teaching staff,
- We have been bringing about the constant discussions of the problems associated with the multicultural dialogue in the wide circles of the public using the means of pedagogical education.

The summarizing of work experience of the RF innovative institutions during the period of 2006-2008 has become the solid platform for the development of cooperation between the networks establishments and GUNI: at present time the documents that are necessary for the entry of the network establishments into GUNI are being worked out.

The essential input of the network participants into the organization and holding of the first congress of UNESCO Chairs of Education of Sustainable Development in Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia, September, 2009) should be pointed as one of the most important results of the network activities. The elaboration of the Congress policy documents, their approval at the working meeting of the group working group of UNESCO Chairs in ESD and Joint Meeting of the Monitoring and Evaluation Expert Group, DESD Reference Group & UNESCO Chairs in ESD (November 2009, UNESCO Headquarters) create the conditions for setting new goals for the Cooperation Programme and updating the own resources for the members of the Programme by establishing relations with other universities.

Major outcomes of corporative activities at Cooperation Programme with special reference to its impact on human, social and cultural development:

at local level – assisting the members of the Programme to summarize the international experience of Advanced Studies Centers for the training of teaching staff and the conduct of innovative research aimed at developing and creating similar centers on the basis of the network establishments,

at national level – improving the systems of pedagogical education by updating the own resources for the members of the Programme,

at regional level – the joining of the efforts of the network members in order to train the teachers of a new kind that are able to respond to the challenges of the 21st century using ICT,

at international level – the further developing of the network in accordance with UNESCO policy documents, including here those ones that are linked with the problems of education for sustainable development.