Period of activity: 2016-2017

As it was stated in Article 2 of the Network Agreement between UNESCO and the Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia, the main objective of the Network is to establish long-term cooperation between the partner universities on strengthening teacher education at different institutional levels.

At the last stage of the Network activities (in accordance with the Agreement with UNESCO - March 2017), the Programme participants focused on the discussing policy documents of UNESCO's priority activities in the field of education up to 2030 and the development of projects of Road maps for achieving Sustainable Development Goals in Education in the near future.

In the context of the universal strategic objectives of the SDGs, the participants of the Programme conducted significant analytical work in the field of human development, discussed practical approaches to the training of pedagogical personnel for the achievement of Goal 4 - "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all".

The participants of the Network continued to develop pedagogical cooperation with the countries of Eurasian and Africa regions, which was provided by close interaction of participants with the Network of UNESCO Chairs in the field of ICTs in education and Innovative pedagogy. Greatly expanded educational platform of the international master programme of UNESCO IITE "ICTs in the professional development of teachers". Successfully develop areas of cooperation with the Network of UNESCO Associated Schools.

The participants consider the high evaluation of their activities to be the provision of aegis of UNESCO National Commissions to a number of conferences organized by the Network participants.

During 2016, the universities participating in the programme continually provided their platforms for numerous international meetings, dialogue and exchange of experience in the context of the sustainable development agenda up to 2030.