

OPEN-ing Laos Higher Education System to internationalisation strategies

OPEN is a Structural Capacity Building in Higher Education project co-funded by the Erasmus+ program of the European Commission. OPEN meets an identified need in Laotian universities to set up appropriate structures (IROs) and harmonise internationalisation practices as proposed by MoES, a well as ensure the quality of the study programs through international cooperation, boost student exchange and recognition of the period abroad and the credit system.

OPEN targets MoES, top-level management staff & leaders from partner HEIs, IRO staff, HEI teaching, administrative staff & students, Laos small-scale entrepreneurs, who will be able to apply the improved capacities to strengthen Internationalisation of Higher Education system in Lao PDR, improve the cooperation between different actors at a national level on Internationalisation matters and increase number of international activities of Laos.



OPEN aims at increasing the academic quality and research activities of universities in the PDR of Laos through the development of internationalisation capacities

Specifically, OPEN will:



Accompany the governance reforms of MoES and enhance international networking through strategic actions in key areas of Higher Education System in Laos.



Consolidate Internationalisation structure, and build human capacities of HEIs by means of targeted training programmes in 5 Laotian HEIs.

Some key outputs:



Need Analysis of Internationalisation, workshops for Top and Managerial staff, 5 IROs fully equipped and ruining.



2 National Round tables, Internationalisation Strategic Plans for 5 HEIs in Laos, "Policy Roadmap for the implementation of strategies of Higher Education in Laos".



Set of 6 comprehensive training materials developed and 2 training completed.

10 replication workshops conducted.



National Network and 2 Internationalisation of Higher Education Conferences in Laos.



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