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1. PMUni History and Status

Welcome to the first newsletter of <u>PMUni</u>, an international network for professional education and research in process and project management. With this newsletter we would like to keep the <u>PMUni</u> partners, cooperating process and project-oriented companies as well as everybody interested in <u>PMUni</u> informed.

PMUni History and Status

In the past years the <u>PROJEKTMANAGEMENT GROUP</u> of the Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration, Austria has striven to develop a social network in process and project management in order to foster close cooperation between universities, education and research institutions and process and project-oriented companies.

After a series of workshops in Bratislava in the beginning of 2007 - organised in cooperation with the Slovak Technical University under Prof. Igor Travnik – 14 universities, universities of applied science and companies launched the network *PMUni* in July 2007.

<u>**PMUni**</u> is an **international social network** of partners with the objective to promote professional education and research in process and project management by...

- o exchanging experiences between education and research institutions as well as process and project-oriented companies
- o creating cooperation potentials between the partners in education and research
- o Performing education quality management projects and research projects

The network deals with the topics process and project management, programme management and management of the process and project-oriented company. Please find more information about the services and structure of the network in the *PMUni Statutes!*

By December 2007 the following **14 partners** are participating in the network.

Austria:

- PROJEKTMANAGEMENT GROUP, Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration
- University of Applied Science of bfi Vienna
- o <u>T-Systems Austria</u>
- Denmark:
 - University of Southern Denmark
- France:
 - o ESC Lille
- Hungary:
 - Corvinus University of Budapest
 - University of Miskolc

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- o University of Pannonia
- Ireland:
 - University of Limerick
- Norway:
 - o BI Norwegian School of Management
- Romania:
 - National University of Political and Administrative Studies
- Slovakia:
 - University of Economics Bratislava
 - Slovak Technical University
 - o <u>2BCognitus</u>

If you are interested to join the *PMUni* network, please contact <u>Renate Prantner</u> for further information.

2. PMUni Events

PMUni Workshop on the 28th May 2008

The next *PMUni* Workshop is scheduled on the **28**th **May 2008** as part of the pre programme of the **happy projects'08 "PROJECTS & SALES".**

Besides gaining information about *PMUni*, the research project pm education *mature*, recent developments in process and project management-related education and research, the exchange of experience and networking with top pm experts are only some of the major advantages of participation.

Besides representatives of *PMUni* partners also pm experts from universities (of applied science) and industry are invited to gain more information about the network and its partners.

Please find the design of the workshop here!

Further *PMUni* Workshops in 2008

A *PMUni* Workshop is scheduled for the **18th – 19th August 2008** in Lille, France and will be organised in cooperation with the ESC Lille.

A further *PMUni* Workshop, in combination with the 2^{nd} *PMUni* Board Meeting is planned at the Corvinus University of Budapest on the $24^{th} - 25^{th}$ **November 2008** in Budapest, Hungary.

Further information about the detailed workshop design will soon be available. For more information and registration please contact <u>Renate Prantner</u>.

3. PMUni Projects

Research project "pm education mature"

One of the first common activities of the *PMUni* partners has become the research project "**pm education** *mature*", initiated by the PROJEKTMANAGEMENT **GROUP** in September 2007.

In this research project the project management education programs of the *PMUni* partners (e.g. such as the Professional MBA "Project & Process Management") will be analysed and benchmarked. The programs will be analysed by applying the maturity model "pm education *mature*", jointly developed by the *PMUni* partners. One of the major benefits of this research project is to encourage and foster

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the knowledge transfer between the cooperating universities concerning content, working forms, evaluation forms etc. in education, research and marketing.

4. PMUni News from the Facilitator

1st PMUni Board Meeting successfully performed

The **1st** *PMUni* **Board Meeting** was hosted on the 26th-27th November 2007 by the University of Southern Denmark in Esbjerg, Denmark.

After reflecting the current status of the network, the network activities for 2008-2009 were discussed, decision-making rules introduced and the dates and contents of the next *PMUni* workshops were finalized.

Prof. Roland Gareis from the PROJEKTMANAGEMENT **GROUP** and Prof. Mihaly Görög from the Corvinus University of Budapest were chosen to act as Chair and Co-Chair person of *PMUni* for the period 2008 - 2009.

5. PMUni News from Partners

In every newsletter *PMUni* partners will have the possibility to present in this section news from their home universities. If *PMUni* partners would like to include some news here, please contact <u>Renate Prantner</u>.

6. General Process & Project Management News

happy projects'08 "PROJECTS & SALES

The <u>happy projects'08</u> are Austria's major international project management event and attract each year app. 320 international and national pm experts. The happy projects'08 conference will take place on the 29th and 30th May 2008 in the Tech Gate Vienna, Austria.

Speakers of project-oriented-organizations and universities will discuss this year's topic **PROJECTS & SALES**. Please find more information on here!

If you wish to give us feedback or to cancel the *PMUni* newsletter, please send an e-mail to pmg@wu-wien.ac.at.

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