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On November 23rd, 2016., Higher Business School of Professional Studies in Leskovac has signed Cooperation Agreements with partners on Tempus project Modernization and harmonization of Tourism study programs in Serbia 544543-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-1-RS-TEMPUS-JPCR, with the aim of establishing academic relations between higher education partner institutions (Faculty of Hotel Management and Tourism from Vrnjačka Banja and Business Technical College of Vocational Studies from Uzice). These Agreements contain the following provisions:

- Contracting parties will use the accumulated knowledge and experience in finding proper solutions to scientific problems for whose solution there exists a mutual interest;
- Contracting parties will be involved in mutual consultations and exchange of opinions about the accredited study programs and help each other in developing new study programs and in realizing them;
- Contracting parties will, in accordance with the existing regulations, perform recognition and acceptance of exams and ECTS in the process of transfer from one educational institution to another;
- Contracting parties will exchange books, journals and other publications that are published by these institutions or in cooperation with other institutions;
- Contracting parties will work on raising the reputation and status of their journals;
- Contracting parties will contribute to the organization of scientific conferences
 that they organize either themselves or in cooperation with other institutions
 (higher education institutions or any other association) by taking part in
 scientific program committees;
- Contracting parties will perform joined scientific-research activities in scientific areas important for every contracting party;
- Contracting parties will cooperate in the process of raising the quality of the teaching process, exchange of experience, as well as in the strengthening of staff potential and capacity of both teaching and non-teaching staff;

The signed Agreements are in accordance with the Law on Higher Education of RS and National Higher Education Strategy. These documents allow both horizontal and vertical movement between academic and vocational studies at different levels of study.

Cooperation agreements between higher education partner institutions are part of the Tempus project Modernization and harmonization of Tourism study programs in Serbia 544543-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-1-RS-TEMPUS-JPCR sustainability. Thus, higher education institutions (signing parties of the Agreements) will continue their cooperation even after the Project ends.