



Report on Info day

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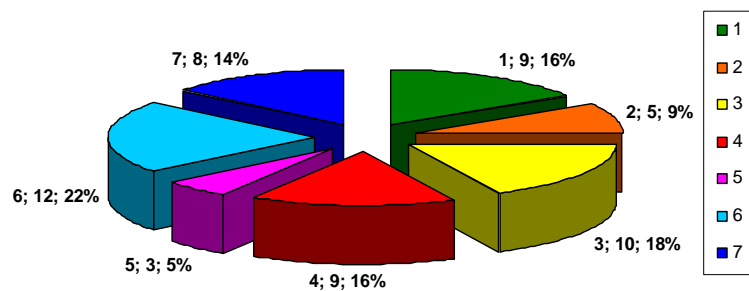
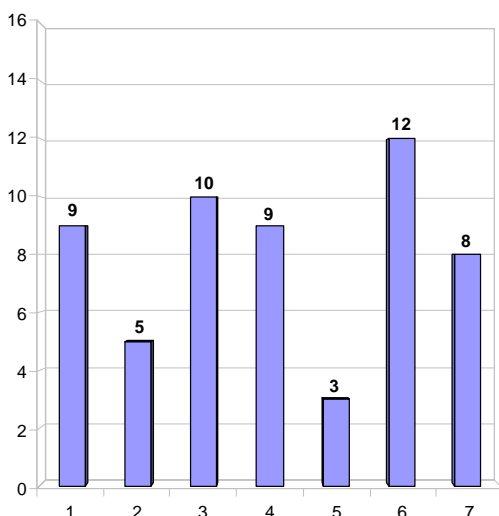
The second Info day within the Tempus project WBC-VMnet, was held on 14 May, 2010. in Rectorate Hall of University of Belgrade.

Info day in Belgrade was aimed at:

- The presentation of the proposed model of cooperation that leads to the modernization of the University and faculties, on one hand, and the transformation of enterprises, on the other hand, focused at the development of products supported by innovative (VM-Virtual Manufacturing) technologies;
- Discussion with the participants of the conference, where all the updates and possible improvements of the proposed model of cooperation between University and enterprises, as well as further steps towards its implementation in the region were examined;
- Display of possibilities for the application of innovative development of products and process through the presentation of previous services for SMEs and companies in Serbia, development activities and new equipment for rapid prototyping, virtual manufacturing and quality control CEVIP - Center for Virtual Manufacturing of Faculty of Mechanical Engineering in Kragujevac.

Participants of the conference from enterprises, faculties and research centers, have expressed great interest for the current project activities, the proposed model of cooperation, and especially for the upcoming specialized trainings and services offered within CEVIP, in innovative product development department.

According to the questionnaires' results, filled out by the participants, the general evaluation mark was **4,30 out of 5**. When asked which of these models of cooperation were most appropriate and useful for the implementation and launching of University modernization and industry transformation, as well as for launching innovation, the participants answered in percents, as follows:



1. The establishment of scientific and technology parks in regional university centers that can be generators for the new start-up and spin-off companies;
2. The establishment of regional industrial clusters at the level of Western Balkans, depending on the research areas and operations;
3. Forming a consortium of universities and companies to jointly participate in FP7, TEMPUS, EUREKA and other projects financed by the European Union;
4. The establishment of regional collaborative training and/or Lifelong education centers;
5. The establishment of open innovation networks;
6. Student mobility within the student practices;
7. IF programme for graduates and employees.

Results of quality assessment of the held seminar by the participants (1 - 5):

1. General seminar assessment	4,30
2. Gained knowledge usefulness	4,20
3. Knowledge and competence of the lecturers	4,60
4. Method of topics' presentation	4,65
5. Premises where the seminar was held	4,35
6. Seminar organization	4,35
7. The significance of the seminar's topics	4,45

In addition to the placement on the project web site (www.wbc-vmnet.rs), under the section the latest NEWS, information on the held seminar was also placed on 5 sites.