Call for Proposals: EACE/35/08 – Lot 5 (Russia)

**Coordinating Institution:**

University of Hohenheim, Germany (DE)

**Members of the partnership:**

University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences Vienna - Austria  
Czech University of Life Sciences Prague - Czech Republic  
University of Tuebingen - Germany  
University of Copenhagen - Denmark  
University of Udine - Italy  
Wageningen University - Netherlands  
Warsaw Agricultural University - Poland  
St. Petersburg State Agrarian University - Russia  
Moscow State University - Russia  
Russian Timiryazev State Agricultural University - Russia  
Moscow State Agro-Engineering University - Russia  
Orel State Agrarian University - Russia  
Stavropol State Agrarian University - Russia  
Kuban State Agrarian University - Russia  
Samara State Agricultural Academy - Russia  
Omsk State Agrarian University - Russia  
Novosibirsk State Agrarian University - Russia  
Buryat State Academy of Agriculture - Russia  
Primorsky State Agricultural Academy - Russia

**Associates:**

Federal Ministry of Agriculture – Department of Education - Russia  
Association of Educational Institutions in the fields of Agriculture and Fisheries - Russia

**Project objectives:**

The proposed project aims at the continuation, intensification and enlargement of a sustainable International Academic Mobility Network between EU and Russian higher education institutions (IAMONET-RU). The specific objectives of the project are:

- To integrate leading Russian universities into the European Areas of Higher Education,
- To develop an international academic mobility network in the fields of Life science, Agriculture and Food Chain between all members of the partnership,
- To contribute to the developments of structured and modular BSc-, MSc- and PhD-programs according to the Bologna requirements at Russian universities,
- To apply a common system of recognition of studies according to ECTS and to develop joint and double degree programs (MSC and PhD level) between EU and Russian universities,
- To enhance the qualification of teaching staff and younger researchers and to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and modern research methods,
- To support the further development and introduction of a quality assurance system according to international standards in Russian universities,
- To contribute to the development of higher education institutions situated in remote areas and integrate them into the international scientific community,
- To disseminate the results and achievements of this co-operation among other EU and Russian higher education institutions,
- To contribute to capacity building in public administration and governmental bodies.
Brief description:

The consortium has already been selected under the 2006 and 2007 EM ECW calls and has implemented the network in 2007. During the first two years of the project implementation (academic years 2007/08 and 2008/09) 550 persons have been selected and are already participating in individual mobility flows. For the third phase of the project 261 mobility flows from Russia to the EU and vice versa are planned, involving all levels of the participating institutions: BSc students, MSc students, PhD students, Post-doctorates, and academic teaching staff. Candidates for these fellowships will be selected during an objective and impartial selection process respecting gender balance, and in particular encouraging the participation of disadvantaged groups. 25% of the planned mobility flows are foreseen for target group 2 applicants in order to enlarge the thematic focus and the regional spread of the project and to further contribute to the dissemination of the project’s positive results.

The main activities performed during this project are:
• Scientific education and training of students on BSc, MSc, and PhD level
• Joint research activities in Life Sciences and other thematic fields
• Training and retraining of scientific staff and development of updated teaching materials.
• Further reform of current Russian study programs according to the Bologna recommendations
• Transfer of know-how related to the introduction of ECTS to non-consortium universities in Russia
• Further development of quality assurance systems according to international standards
  Preparation of joint Master and Doctoral Programmes between EU and Russian partner universities

### Number of Individual Mobility Activities foreseen

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