

**11.05.2016**

**Representatives of MitOst at CIU**



Within the framework of the “International Program for Internship Abroad and Cultural Exchange”, Caucasus International University students are given opportunity to be employed in Germany.

German company MitOST has signed an agreement with Caucasus International University. Within the framework of the collaboration, BA and MA students will participate in paid programmes free of charge.

The above mentioned programme has been implemented in Georgia for the first time.

The General Director of MitOst organized a meeting concerning students’ employment. Sergey Serdyuk discussed employment conditions, procedures, remuneration and required competences with the audience.

After the meeting with the Rector and students, Sergey Serdyuk visited material-technical base of the University and Marani “Kolkhi”.

The guest presented Caucasus International University German literature and course-books to study German language.

MitOst implements paid programmes in Germany within the framework of the “International Programme for Internship Abroad and Cultural Exchange”.

**25.03.2016**

**Symposium – Cruise Tourism – World Experience and Prospects of Its Development in Black Sea Region**



Within the framework of the TEMPUS Project – “Network of Competence Centres for the Development of Cruise Tourism in the Black Sea Region”, III Regional Symposium – “Cruise Tourism - World Experience and Prospects of Its Development” was held at Guram Tavartkiladze Teaching University on 25-26 March, 2016.

Guram Tavartkiladze Teaching University, Batumi State Maritime Academy, Kutaisi University and Caucasus International University are engaged in the project.

Kakhaber Kordzaia, CIU Rector and Giorgi Matiahsvili, Rector of Guram Tavartkiladze Teaching University delivered speeches and addressed the audience and invited guests.

Roman Mamuladze, a coordinator of the TEMPUS project in Georgia discussed in details the events which were held within the framework of the project and placed emphasis on the upcoming visits in Italy and Romania. In addition, he highlighted the summer school which will be organized in August and an international conference, which will be held in Batumi in September.

As stated by him, competence centres have already been established in Batumi, Kherson and Odessa within the frame of the project. In addition, creation of MA Program in Tourism Management can be considered as a success of the project and each partner university has contributed in this.

The presenters focused on such topics as: “Retrospective and Prospects of Cruise Tourism”, Mechanisms and Strategies for Advancing Tourism Websites”, “Marketing Aspects for Tourism Industry in Georgia”, etc.

**18.03.2016**

### **Training Course – Management of Tourism Destinations**



Life-Long Learning Service, within the framework of TEMPUS project CruiseT and Tourism Regional Development Centre of Business faculty, organizes a training course “Management of Tourism Destinations” on 18-20 March, 2016. The above mentioned course is designed for individuals employed by regional and local self-government, private and state sectors of tourism and those interested in tourism.

The course aims at familiarizing interested individuals with the role of tourism in economic development of regional and local places, and consecutive processes for correct management of destination.

The course is conducted by Tamar Koblianidze, Head of BA Program in Tourism.

Course is free. Upon its completion participants will be awarded bilingual certificates.

**14.03.2016**

**Meeting – International Cooperation and Exchange Programs**



A meeting “International Cooperation and Exchange Programs” was organized by International Relations Service at the Conference Hall of Caucasus International University on 14 March. Caucasus International University students of different faculties had an opportunity to gain information about ongoing or future exchange and scholarship programs. As stated by Tamar Chakhnashvili, head of CIU International Relations Service, such kind of meetings with students will be organized on regular basis.

**11.03.2016**

**Training Course – Green Tourism**



Within the framework of TEMPUS Project CruiseT and Tourism Regional Development Centre of Business Faculty, Caucasus International University Life-Long Learning Centre organizes a training course “Green Tourism” on 11-13 March, 2016. The course is designed for specialists working in the sphere of tourism, tour operators, representatives of private and state sector and those employed in the administration of preserved territories.

The course aims at promoting green tourism and encouraging tourism development on village territories. Tamar Chakhnashvili, course supervisor will familiarize the attending audience with such issues as: green tourism, its economic success and social effects, sustainable tourism, prospects of its development and types of agro-tourism.

The above mentioned course is free. Upon its completion participants will be awarded bilingual certificates.

**04.03.2016**

**Training Course – Food and Beverage Quality Management in Tourism - has Started**



A training course “Food and Beverage Quality Management in Tourism” is held at Caucasus International University within the framework of Life-Long Learning Service TEMPUS project CruiseT and Tourism Regional Development Centre of Business faculty on 4-5 March.

The course is designed for specialists working in the sphere of tourism and for individuals employed by hotels, restaurants, and food realization chains.

The training course will provide interested individuals or those employed in tourism sphere with information about food and beverage safety, quality criteria and storage conditions for separate groups.

The course is conducted by CIU Associate Professor Lia Berikashvili.

The training participants will be awarded bilingual certificates on 5 March.

**26.02.2016**

**Certificate Course “Wine and Wine Culture” Ended**



Within the framework of TEMPUS project SSRULLI Caucasus International University (CIU) Life-Long Learning Service hosted a certificate course “Wine and Wine Culture” on 22-26 February. Due to the big amount of participants and great interest, the course is conducted for the fourth time at CIU.

The course is designed for specialists who are working in wine-making, individuals interested in wine industry and tourism.

The certificate course was conducted by Ketevan Jurkhadze, CIU Deputy Chancellor. The course fostered practical skills in parallel to the theoretical part.

The course participants gained information on such interesting issues as: wine types, wine aromas and diseases.

The supervisor of CIU BA Programme in Tourism, Tamar Koblianidze talked about the module of wine tourism. The participants visited CIU Marani “Kolkhi” on the final day of the course. After the certificate course “Wine and Wine Culture” participants were awarded bilingual certificates.

**22.02.2016**

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The supervisor of CIU BA Programme in Tourism, Tamar Koblianidze will discuss the module of wine tourism. The certificate course “Wine and Wine Culture” will last from 22 to 26 February. Participants will be awarded bilingual certificates after completing the course.

**13.02.2016**

**Certificate Course “Wine and Wine Culture”**



A certificate course “Wine and Wine Culture” finished on 13 February and the participants were awarded bilingual certificates. The training was conducted by Caucasus International University Life-Long Learning Service within the framework of TEMPUS project SSRULLI.

During a week- course participants gradually became familiar with wine types, wine aromas and margins of its perception, wine tourism, wine defect, and wine-food combination.

The certificate course was conducted by Ketevan Jurkhadze, CIU Deputy Chancellor.

Due to the big amount of participants and great interest, Caucasus International University Life-Long Learning Service will offer the course two more times in February.

The training “Wine and Wine Culture” is designed for specialists who are working in wine-making, individuals interested in wine industry and tourism.

**08.02.2016**

**CIU Renews Certificate Course “Wine and Wine Culture”**



Within the framework of TEMPUS project SSRULLI Caucasus International University Life-Long Learning Service renewed a certificate course “Wine and Wine Culture” on 8 February. The above mentioned course is designed for specialists who are working in wine-making, individuals interested in wine industry and tourism. Due to the big amount of participants and great interest, the course will be offered three times in February, it will be conducted with three different groups.

The course participants will gain information on such interesting issues as: wine types, wine aromas and margins of its perception, wine defect, wine and food combination and wine tourism.

The certificate course is conducted by Ketevan Jurkhadze, CIU Deputy Chancellor.

Participants are awarded bilingual university certificates towards the end of the course “Wine and Wine Culture”.

**22.01.2015**

**TEMPUS Project**



A round table was held at Caucasus International University within the framework of the TEMPUS Project “Network for Competence Centres towards Developing Cruise Tourism in Black Sea Region” on 22 January.

According to the agenda both sides discussed the significant issues of the Cruise Project:

Creating MA Educational Programs within the framework of the project;

Planning and implementing short certificate courses by competence centres;

Preparing scholarly and international conferences which will be held in Italy and Batumi;

Roman Mumladze, a coordinator of the TEMPUS project in Georgia has discussed organizational issues and preparatory work details with CIU Rector, Prof. Kakhaber Kordzaia and Professors who are engaged in the project on behalf of the university.

In addition, he awarded certificates to CIU students and Professors for active participation in the summer school held in Kherson, September, 2015.

**19.12.2015**

**Certificate Course – Wine and Wine Culture Ended**



Caucasus International University Life-Long Learning Centre organized a certificate course “Wine and Wine Culture” on 14-19 December within the framework of TEMPUS project SSRULLI.

The course was for specialists working in wine-making, individuals interested in wine industry and tourism.

The participants of the training-program became familiar with wine types, flavours and limits of its perception: What are wine and wine types; Wine flavours and limits of its perception; Wine defect; Combination of wine and food; wine service; Wine tourism; Wine marketing.

The program duration was six days. The first part of the training was conducted by Ketevan Jurkhadze, CIU Deputy Chancellor (Faculty of Viticulture-Winemaking). The concluding part was headed by Kakhaber Jakeli, head of CIU Business faculty Quality Assurance Service.

The majority of participants who have been registered on the training-program had knowledge and experience in wine-making. However, the course was also attended by the youth interested in this topic.

Wine defect, combination of wine and food, biodynamic and natural wines – parallel to theoretical part the training course also included practical activities and degustation which will facilitate refinement and development of additional skills and abilities.

Besides wine types, its ingredients and wine making, trainer Ketevan Jurkhadze discussed in details the issues of wine tourism: how and on what principles should wine tourism be planned, what services should we offer to tourism.

Kakhaber Jakeli also discussed wine culture and its marketing during the training-program.

After the training CIU Chancellor, Vakhtang Tsivtsivadze, awarded course participants bilingual certificates.

**14.12.2015**

#### **Certificate Course – Wine and Wine Culture – at CIU**



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27 individuals are registered on the training-program and majority of them have knowledge and experience in wine-making. However, the course is also attended by the youth interested in this topic.



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On 19 December, Kakhaber Jakeli will discuss wine culture and its marketing during the training-program. In addition, participants will be awarded certificates.

**20.11.2015**

### **Working Meeting**



Within the framework of TEMPUS Project 543681-TEMPUS-1-2013-1-DE-TEMPUS-JPHES - CruiseT CIU Regional Centre for Tourism Development organized a working meeting on the following topic: “Regional Problems of Tourism Development” on 20 November, 2015. Marina Gedevanishvili, head of Caucasus International University Quality Assurance Service and Vice-Rector opened the meeting and placed emphasis on the development of the university and involvement in international projects during her speech. Eka Burdiladze, head of Economic Affairs Office at Tbilisi City Hall, Koba Arabuli, deputy governor of Mtskheta-Mtianeti, Giorgi Kokiahsvili, Head of Coordination Service for Kakheti Regional Projects Administration, Giorgi Bugianishvili, Deputy Head of Shida Kartli Regional Projects Administration, Gvantsa Chighvaria, Specialist at Coordination Service of Racha-Lechkhumi Regional Projects Administration participated in the event. In addition, the meeting was attended by representatives of National Administration of Tourism, Gori municipality, tourism business and non-governmental organizations.

The format of the working meeting was quite intense. During the first part of the meeting students presented their researches prepared within the frame of the project. Later, they discussed regional problems of tourism, potential and planned events. Towards the final part of the meeting emphasis was placed on the analysis of tourism business challenges. In the concluding part they discussed training courses planned within the framework of the project CruiseT. Caucasus International University team will offer the above mentioned project to specialists of regional tourism and other interested individuals in January-February.

**30.11.2015**

**Life-long Learning Certificate Course**



Life-Long Learning Service has been functioning at Caucasus International University since 2011. It constantly offers interested individuals trainings and certificate courses for adults and is oriented on needs of Georgian labour market. Life-Long Learning Service, by taking into consideration the interests of individuals, will regularly offer new courses by the support of high-qualified specialists and academic personnel of various universities. From methodological viewpoint, the trainings are based on modern, interactive methods of teaching, which facilitate the increase of interest towards these courses. It is worth mentioning that in 2013 within the frameworks of TEMPUS project there has been funded a project “Strengthening the Role of Universities, as Life-Long Learning Institutions”. CIU is one of the partner universities. On 24-30 October Life-Long Learning Service has implemented four-day “Training for Trainers”. The training aims at teaching specialists of different fields professional skills which are necessary for trainers. They will be able to plan and implement trainings appropriately, choose relevant materials and create working environment in a group. The topic of the course was defined in the following way:

Training cycle;

Peculiarities of adult teaching;

Modern Teaching Methods;

Assessment, evaluation, feedback.

**21.08.2015**

**TEMPUS Project**



On 21 August, 2015 within the framework of the project “Network of Competence Centres for Development of Cruise Tourism”, Vjatscheslav Nikitin (University of Paderborn), a project coordinator and Roman Mamuladze, Professor of Batumi State Maritime Academy (project coordinator from Georgia) paid a visit to Caucasus

International University. During the visit, the guests met CIU Rector, project group members and the representatives of administration. Both sides discussed future plans, the results of the research conducted within the frame of tourism market project and organizing issues of summer school planned for 5-13 September in Kherson, Ukraine. CIU representatives familiarized the guests with the work of Regional Centre for Tourism Development and mentioned trainings conducted within its framework and a planned roundtable. Vjatscheslav Nikitin evaluated positively the work of CIU team and discussed its significance in tourism development as well as a launch of a new Master's program within the framework of the project. Towards the end of the meeting the guests visited CIU infrastructure and Georgian Marani. Besides Caucasus International University three other higher education institutions are engaged in TEMPUS project from Georgia and fifteen universities from Europe.

**18.07.2015**

**Within the frameworks of TEMPUS Project**



Within the frameworks of the TEMPUS project, European experts conducted a training for students, professors and individuals interested in tourism issues. The venue of the event was Caucasus International University Regional Centre for Tourism Development. The training covered Tourism Development, Service Culture, quantitative and qualitative methods of market research. European experts shared their own experience with the participants. During the work meeting the member of the monitoring group became familiar with the tourist market research conducted by students. The recommendations of the monitoring group members were mainly about the questionnaires used during the research. The research which has started within the frameworks of the project will continue. Students will present its results in Kherson, Ukraine on 5-13 September. Towards the end of the training the participants were awarded certificates.

Regional Centre for Tourism Development has been established at Caucasus International University within the framework of the TEMPUS project "Network of Competence Centres for Development of Cruise Tourism". In the above mentioned project three institutions from Georgia together with Caucasus International University and fifteen higher educational institutions from Europe participate in the project.

**16.07.2015**

**Work Meeting at Guram Tavartkiladze Teaching University**



Within the frameworks of the TEMPUS project “Network of Competence Centres for the Development of Cruise Tourism” a work meeting has been held at Guram Tavartkiladze Teaching University. European experts have evaluated the work of the academic staff and students participating in the project. The aim of the 3-year project is to develop cruise tourism in the Black Sea region. Caucasus International University together with three other higher educational institutions is involved in the project. Within the frames of the project a work meeting with student groups will be held in Kherson, Ukraine on 5-13 September.

**13.07.2015**

**TEMPUS Project**



Within the frameworks of TEMPUS project “Centre of Competence Network towards Development of Cruise Tourism” Dr. Niclas Schaper, professor of University of Paderborn has visited Caucasus International University. At the beginning of the meeting members of a monitoring group met the representatives of Caucasus International University Administration. CIU Rector and head of Quality Assurance Service familiarized the guests with the university history, future plans and educational programs. The main topic of the meeting with students was to introduce the results of tourist market research and analysis. Students participating in Business Faculty research discussed the experience accumulated during the research period and the project significance with Niclas Schaper. Taking into consideration the experts’ recommendations the research of tourist market will continue. Students will present the results at Kherson summer school. Towards the end of the meeting, members of the monitoring group examined Caucasus International University infrastructure. CIU Chancellor showed the guests Georgian Marani and endemic species of vine grown in university garden. Within the frameworks of the project Regional Centre for Tourism Development has been established on the basis of Caucasus International University.

On 18 July a work meeting will be held at the Regional Centre for Tourism Development. Within the frameworks of the meeting, European experts will conduct trainings for Caucasus International University students, academic staff and individuals interested in tourism.

**06.07.2015**

### **Two-Day Certificate Course in Georgian Wine-Making and Culture at CIU**



Within the frameworks of the certificate course in “Georgian Wine-Making and Culture”, Giorgi Mtsatsmindeli Ecclesiastic Gymnasium students visited Caucasus International University. The group was made up of the successful students from 11th, 10th and 9th classes. In the welcoming speeches Prof. Kakhaber Kordzaia, CIU Rector and Vakhtang Tsvitsivadze, University Chancellor talked about the establishment of the university and its development. Owing to the specificity of the two-day teaching the university chancellor placed emphasis on the master’s degree program in viticulture-winemaking and agro-technology. The following issues have been discussed: kvevri wine, two-level Marani, where wine samples are sent on weekly basis in laboratories for scientific observations.

Within the frameworks of the program Miranda Abramishvili has made a presentation on the topic: “Culture and Globalization”.

The training was conducted in an interactive form, and students discussed the positive and negative sides of globalization.

Within the frames of the course, students had a lecture on Georgia cultural monuments. The topic was discussed by Ketevan Shoshiashvili, Doctor of Historical Sciences. Unique frescos and historical monuments have been presented chronologically. During a meeting with students Kakhaber Jakeli, dean of the faculty of Viticulture-Winemaking and Agro-technology highlighted the significance of vine culture and winemaking for the development of Georgian economy. He showed students Georgian Marani which was founded on the base of CIU and endemic vine species. The dean showed students unique wineskin. Within the frameworks of the certificate course, gymnasium students watched a film “House for Wine” prepared by CIU Multi-Media Centre. Since 2013 Georgia has been considered as one of the best destinations in world wine tourism. According to studies, Georgia occupies the fourth place in the rating. Professor Tamar Koblianidze, dean of business faculty stated the above mentioned data and discussed the promotion of wine tourism.

At the end of the presentation students have been divided into 4 groups and worked out Kareli tourist itinerary. Within the frameworks of CIU summer school project volunteers showed students university Moot

Court Hall, laboratory, university Dental Clinic, Tele and Radio Studios, library, and cafeteria. At the end of the certificate course tour in Tbilisi was organized – students visited historical sights of the city.

**21.05.2015**

#### **Awarding Certificates**



Life-Long Learning Service has awarded students certificates for the successful completion of the course “Latin for Medics”.

**04.06.2015**

#### **Summer School Georgian Culture and Wine-making**



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Deadline: June 10, 2015

Language of instruction: English

Venue: Tbilisi, Georgia

Date: July 6 – 16, 2015

Eligibility: undergraduates, graduates, PhD Students, Young Professionals

Description:

Caucasus International University (located in Tbilisi, Georgia) provides a summer school on Georgian Culture and Wine-making.

Summer school includes 8-day trainings and workshops, including cultural city tour and 2-day field trip to Kakheti Region – Centre of wine-making.

This summer school will introduce you to the culture and traditions of Georgia.

It is a great Opportunity for sharing enriched intercultural to visit interesting places and to meet new people with intercultural backgrounds.

Participation fee: 250 euro

Fee covers:

Accommodation with breakfast

Transfer from Airport

Fieldtrips

Tickets to museum

Coffee breaks during trainings and workshops

Training materials and handouts

You'll be responsible to pay for your Visa fee if required and travel expenses. Invitation letter or other required documents will be provided by Caucasus International University.

Application form should be sent till June 10, 2015 to the following emails: [ULLL@ciu.edu.ge](mailto:ULLL@ciu.edu.ge)

For Further information or inquiries, contact Mariam Jikia or Tamar Chakhnashvili via email: [ULLL@ciu.edu.ge](mailto:ULLL@ciu.edu.ge)

**29.04.2015**

### **Coordinating Working Group Meeting**



On 18-25 April, 2015 there was held a coordinating working group meeting of the universities participating in Tempus #543681 Project "CrusieT" in Varna, Bulgaria.

At the meeting the partner universities presented the reports of the works implemented in 2014; European partners conducted four thematic trainings in four sections; they received concrete recommendations. Future activities of the project partners have also been planned during the meeting. This envisages in itself: participation of students in summer researches in the form of fieldwork (the project will be implemented by the guidance of European colleagues); in addition, students will prepare presentation on the conducted researches for summer schools, which is planned for September in Kherson, Ukraine.

Besides Caucasus International University, fifteen higher educational institutions from Germany, Italy, Bulgaria, Romania and Ukraine as well as three ones from Georgia (Guram Tavartkiladze Teaching University, Batumi Maritime Academy, Kutaisi University) have participated in the above mentioned project. The

following people have participated in the coordinating working group meeting from Caucasus International University: Associate Professor Marina Gedevanishvili, Vice-Rector, Head of Quality Assurance Service; Associate Professor Elisabeda Malania, project contact person; Professor Tamar Koblianidze, Dean of Business faculty, supervisor of the Bachelor's degree programme in Tourism; Tamar Inasaridze, head of Learning Process Management Department. It is worth mentioning that at the meeting organized by the rector of Varna Free University attended by the heads of higher educational institutions participating in the project and Tempus project, Marina Gedevanishvili, Vice-Rector of Caucasus International University and Galina Gerchev, Rector of Varna Free University exchanged agreements of mutual collaboration between universities and discussed future plans. At the end of the meeting Ms. Marina Gedevanishvili made a record in guest's book on behalf of Caucasus International University. Mass Media has covered the current coordinating working group meeting.

**20.04.2015**

**Professor Lukasz Jurek Visits CIU**



Caucasus International University Rector, Prof. Kakhaber Kordzaia met Dr. Lukasz Jurek, Professor at Wroclaw University of Economics. An agreement of mutual collaboration has been signed during the meeting. In addition, they came up with plans for future collaboration.

Within the frames of the visit Prof. Lukasz Jurek delivered a public lecture on economics of population aging.

**27.02.2015**

**Memorandum**



Caucasus International University has signed an agreement of mutual collaboration with Siauliai State College, Lithuania. Within the frameworks of the meeting Lithuanian delegation has met Caucasus International



University rector, Kakhaber Kordzaia. During the meeting they discussed educational programmes and already implemented projects.

**26.02.2015**

**Memorandum**



Caucasus International University has signed a memorandum of mutual collaboration with Klaipeda State University of Applied Sciences. Within the frameworks of the visit, the delegation of Klaipeda University has met Caucasus International University rector, Kakhaber Kordazia and head of International Relations Service, Tamar Chakhnashvili. Within the frames of the memorandum exchange programmes of students and academic staff of the faculties of social sciences, medicine and business are planned.

**27.11.2014**

**CIU Visits Tallinn University**



On 17-19 November, 2014 Tallinn University conducted SSRULLI seminars of TEMPUS Project. Partner universities became familiar with distance learning, principles of planning and implementing electronic courses, in addition the use of modern IT technologies in academic process. Kakhaber Kordzaia, CIU Rector and Tamar Chakhnashvili, head of Life-Long Learning Service participated in the above mentioned event.

**12.11.2014**

**Trainings and International Projects**



Caucasus International University Education Service has organized an informative meeting concerning the participation in certificate courses, trainings and international projects.

Within the frameworks of the training students will study banking, financial analyzes and management of public relations.

**16.10.2014**

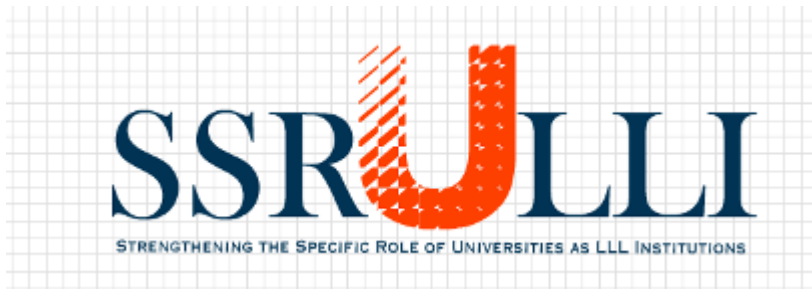
**Coordinating meeting of the TEMPUS project**



On 16 October, 2014 within the frameworks of the Tempus project -543681 TEMPUS-1 2013-1 – DE TEMPUS- JPHES- CruiseT - “Centre of Competence Network towards Developing Cruise Tourism on Black Sea Region” Caucasus International University hosted a coordinating-working meeting. The TEMPUS project envisages the establishment of competence centres in Batumi and Odessa. They will train field specialists. During the working meeting the representatives of CIU administration, academic staff and students discussed university activities. The participating academic staff and guests of the working meeting became familiar with CIU infrastructure and set future action plans. Parallel to this, Caucasus International University has signed an agreement with Ukraine National Transport Academy. At the end of the meeting Caucasus International University folk assembly “Caucasian” has performed. About 40 Georgian and international professors and guests attended the working meeting.

**20.09.2014**

**TEMPUS Project**



The training of TEMPUS project SSRULLI was held on 9-10 September, 2014. Batumi State Maritime Academy hosted the TEMPUS project SSRULLI. The representatives of partner universities discussed the strategy of ULLI. The training was conducted by Dr. Andrea Waxenegger, the president of EUCEN (University of Graz). The following institutions participated in the event: Universities of Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia. Among them were the representatives of CIU: Nino Chalaganidze and Tamar Chakhnasvili.

**07.09.2014**

**TEMPUS Seminar in Batumi**



On 18-19 August, 2014 within the frameworks of the TEMPUS grant project “Enhancement of University Role as Life-Long Learning Institutions”, Shota Rustaveli State University organized a training on the topic: “Financial Management”. The training was conducted by Helmut Fogt (University of Hamburg). CIU

representatives: Nona Martiashvili and Tamar Inasaridze participated in the event together with other partner universities of Georgia, Azerbaijan and Armenia.