

# TRIP TO GERMANY



Training courses held from November 3-5, 2014 at Heidelberg University were organized within the framework of *TEMPUS* program VERITAS project aiming at development of post-graduate education through compliance with Salzburg principles. And Heidelberg University, as the oldest research University in Germany, brought together representatives from partner Universities to share best practice of organizing post-graduate education and carrying out research activities.

Within the course of training European partners from Bath Spa University (England), Gerona University (Spain), Heidelberg University (Germany) represented traditions of post-graduate education available in their Universities, shared their experience, which was followed by speeches of representatives of Armenian Universities. Each University was representing its own experience of post-graduate education and research activities, as well as expectations from the program.



## Expected outcomes

1. Development of University potential for high-quality post-graduate education: review of research units/departments and establishment of new divisions.
2. Creation of preconditions for quality postgraduate education.
3. Formulation of award criteria and development of standards for postgraduate education.
4. Development and introduction of new 11 postgraduate programs in Armenia.
5. Adoption of award criteria and quality standards.

One of the important issues discussed at training was development of road-maps.

First, European partners presented the results of the analysis of questionnaires completed by Universities, then “National Center for Professional Education Quality Assurance” Foundation presented the results of the discussion with the



representatives of the Armenian Universities and a working group was formed to develop guidelines for the implementation of postgraduate education.