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IQ Pharm Open days in Tuzla and Banja Luka

From 7th to 10th March 2022

The first two days of IQPharm Open Days were organized at the Faculty of Pharmacy University of Tuzla, 7th and 8th March 2022

IQPharm team members from the Faculty of Pharmacy University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Pharmacy University of Mostar, Faculty of Medicine University of Banja Luka, Faculty of Medicine University of Split, Faculty of Medicine University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Pharmacy University of Tuzla, associated project partners and students attended the introductory meeting on the first day of IQPharm Open Days in Tuzla. During two days, the attendees were greeted by professor Nahida Srabović, Vice Dean for Teaching at the Faculty of Pharmacy in Tuzla, professor Adaleta Softić, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy in Tuzla, associate professor Vesna Bratovčić, Vice Rector of the University of Tuzla and professor Tamer Bego, Project Coordinator.

In addition to the lectures on OSCE, KREF and EE Platform, there were also covered topics such as Current state of conducting pharmaceutical practice in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Competency framework for pharmacists in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This activity ended with a discussion on the perspectives and challenges in the process of educating Masters of Pharmacy in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the ways to improve it.





The third and fourth day of IQPharm Open Days were organized at the Faculty of Medicine University of Banja Luka, 9th and 10th March 2022

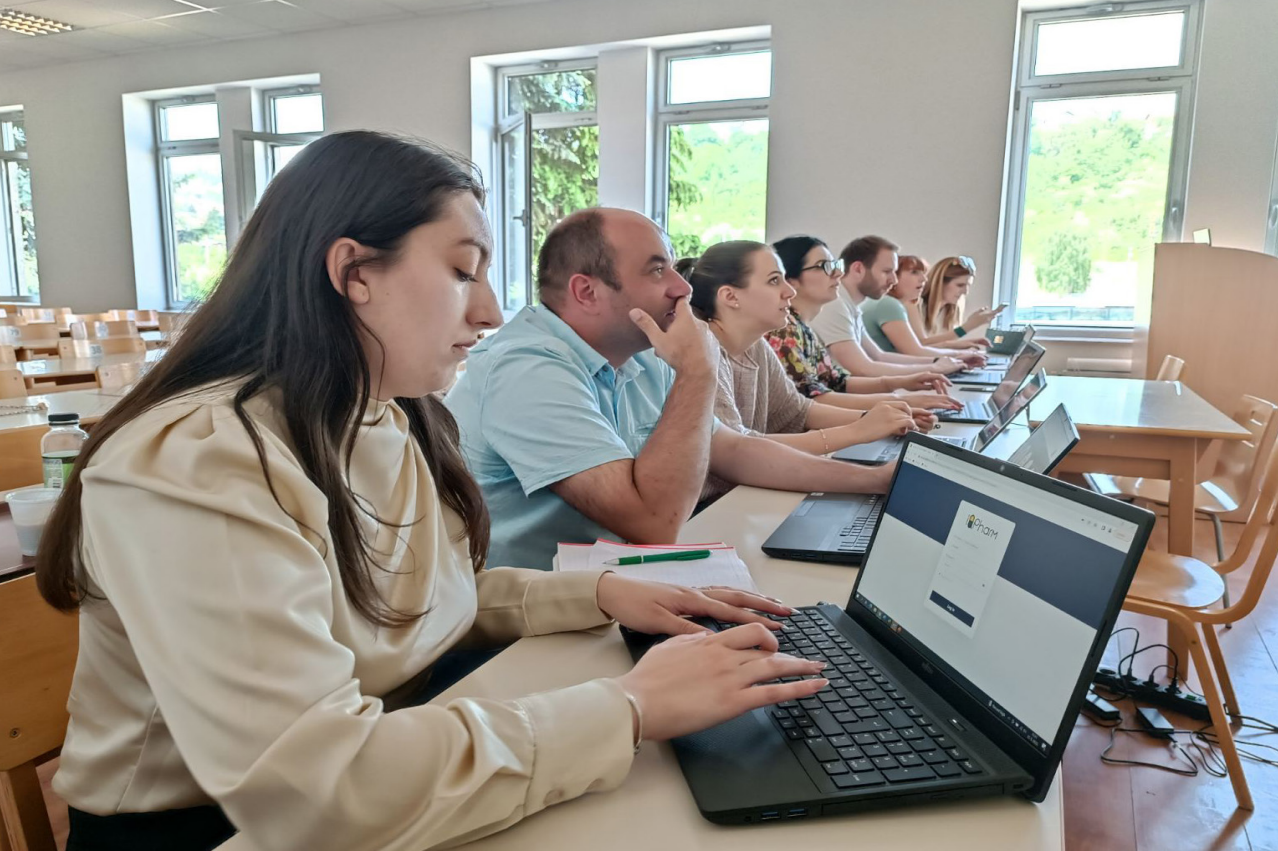
The introductory meeting of IQPharm Open Days in Banja Luka was opened by associate professor Zarko Gagic, the head of the study program Pharmacy of the Medical Faculty at the University of Banja Luka, and all present were then greeted by professor Ranko Skrbic, Dean of the Medical Faculty of the University of Banja Luka. Professor Tamer Bego, Project Coordinator, also addressed the gathering and thanked the organizers and all those present for the hospitality.

The next day the attendees were greeted by professor Radoslav Gajanin, Rector of the University of Banja Luka and professor Ranko Škrbić, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Banja Luka.

After the Project and Partners presentations, as well as the lectures on OSCE, KREF and EE platform, the following lectures were given:

- Current state of conducting pharmaceutical practice in Republic of Srpska
- Pharmacy in Republic of Srpska – current state
- Current state of pharmacy law and regulations in Republic of Srpska





Training for teaching staff for EE platform in Sarajevo

From 24th to 27th May 2022

The training was organized by the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Sarajevo

All participants and guests were welcomed with the introductory words by the Project Manager, professor Tamer Bego and the Dean of Faculty of Pharmacy in Sarajevo, professor Fahir Bečić, after which the Team Group Leader professor Almir Badnjević has guided the participants through the upcoming training.





During the course of the three following days, EE platform was presented and tested together with the participants: faculty representatives, pharmacy mentors and students. Each group worked closely on each module (student module, module for praxis lead professors and faculty service module, module for mentors) which resulted with the list of remarks which will be implemented in the updated version of the EE platform.

The training was closed by Team Group Leader professor Almir Badnjević and Project Manager professor Tamer Bego with the closing remarks thanking all the participants for their active contribution during these four days of participating in the workshops.





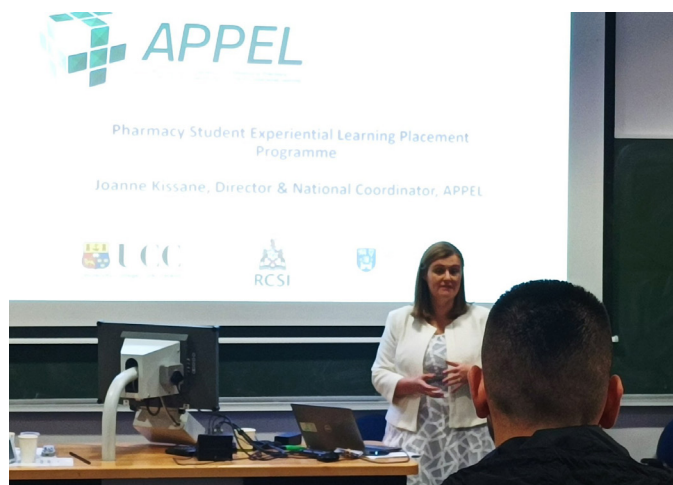
Structured study visit for the knowledge transfer of QA system in Dublin

From 14th to 16th June 2022

As part of the IQPharm Project, the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Trinity College Dublin (TCD) hosted IQPharm team members from University of Sarajevo, University of Banja Luka, University of Tuzla, University of Mostar, University of Novi Sad and University of Split for a three day visit

The introduction notes were given by hosts, professors Martin Henman and Cathal Cadogan. During this visit, the delegation heard from several guest speakers. Associate professor Astrid Sasse, Director of Undergraduate Teaching and Learning in the TCD School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences presented on the integrated MPharm programme and the experience of reforming the curriculum.

Ms. Joanne Kissane, Director and National Coordinator of the Affiliation for Pharmacy Practice Experiential Learning (APPEL) outlined the experiential learning component of the integrated MPharm programme across the three Schools of Pharmacy in Ireland. Mr. Dan Burns, Professional Standards Manager at the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland provided an overview of the regulator's role in quality assuring pharmacy education in Ireland.





IQPharm team members were brought on a tour of the facilities within the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, including the model pharmacy and consultation skills room as well as the Old Library and the Book of Kells.

Mr. Dan Burns, Professional Standards Manager at the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland provided an overview of the regulator's role in quality assuring pharmacy education in Ireland. IQPharm team continued the discussion with the pre-Registration Examination module coordinator, associate professor Theo Ryan on all the aspects of creating and running the OSCEs. The delegation also had the opportunity to observe the OSCE in action as the mock OSCE was underway at the Royal College of Surgeons.

Also, IQPharm team members had the honor of meeting the Head of The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences of Trinity College Dublin, Professor John Gilmer who shared his views on OSCE from a perspective of the Head of School.

All lectures were followed by very valuable discussions. Moreover, the attendees also went through the update and planning session of the IQPharm project that was coordinated by associate professor Alisa Elezović.





EE platform pilot implementation in Banja Luka, Tuzla and Mostar

From 4th to 21th July 2022

On three different occasions and on three different locations - Banja Luka, Tuzla and Mostar, in the period between 4th and 22nd July 2022, the EE platform of the IQPharm project was presented to project partners

This e-platform will enable students and practice managers at individual institutions to communicate more easily and to conduct a more efficient student internship. In addition to the aforementioned team members, partners of this project, namely students and masters of pharmacy from both public pharmacies and the hospital pharmacy of the University Clinical Hospital in Mostar, had an insight into the very appearance and functionality of the platform.

After the presentation of the platform, a short public discussion was held on the possibilities and improvements of the platform at the request of the present members of the project team.





In the following days, members of the project team stayed in public pharmacies, where they had several meetings with masters of pharmacy in private health institutions where students do internships. Those masters of pharmacy are also mentors to students on internship, so these meetings were fruitful and useful for both parties. From the pharmacies and partners visited, visits to two different types of pharmacies should be distinguished.



Students and colleagues from the real sector were extremely interested and gave useful advice and criticism in order to improve the EE platform, which will enable the improvement of the professional practice of pharmacists in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



Announcements:

- **KREF pilot implementation in Banja Luka**
- **OSCE pilot implementation in Sarajevo**
- **Assessing and improving technical & organizational capacities and performing and Post Hoc evaluation of EE platform in Novi Sad**
- **Assessing and improving technical & organizational capacities and performing and Post Hoc evaluation of KREF in Novi Sad**
- **Assessing and improving technical & organizational capacities and performing and Post Hoc evaluation of OSCE in Dublin**



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