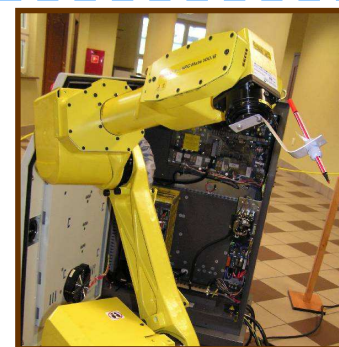




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Project title:

Adapting and equipping the didactic and computer laboratories and the library in the Academy of Business in Dąbrowa Górnicza.

Summary of the project /actions/ strategy

The subject matter of the project is to adapt and equip WSB laboratories, workrooms and the library in a way that is decreasing the distance appearing nowadays between the possibilities of education and the expectations of a job market. As a result of the project implementation two new workrooms were created: Computer Data Analysis Laboratory and Integrated Computer Management Systems Laboratory. The following, already existing, laboratories were equipped with new devices:

Database Laboratory

Computer Security Systems Laboratory

Wireless Computer Networks Laboratory

Internet Technologies Laboratory

Industrial Computer Systems Laboratory

Computer Management Systems Laboratory

Multimedia and Computer Graphics Laboratory

Computer Networks Laboratory

Language Laboratories - 11 rooms

Library working stations. WSB library was equipped with computers and up-to-date software.

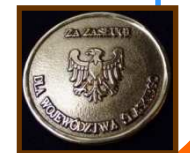




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Main objective(s)

- The improvement of the quality in students' education
- Increasing the availability of student trainings in the field of new technologies with modern equipment adapted to a job market necessities.
- Faster and complete student training in the field of a job market necessities





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The project encompasses the adaptation and equipping WSB didactic and computer laboratories and the library in a way decreasing the distance existing nowadays between the possibilities of education and job market expectations. During the implementation of the project, new computer laboratories were created and the already existing ones were equipped with new devices. The WSB library was equipped with new computers and modern software. As a one of only a few academic libraries in Poland, the WSB library was equipped with RFID library system which allows free access to the library repertories, their borrow and return. The purchases were necessary due to the increase in the intensity of education and introducing new specialties strictly connected with the necessities resulting from the cooperation with industry.



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Challenges

The increase in availability and standards of the university – level education;

The increase in the possibilities of students' education in the field of new technologies with modern computer devices adjusted to the necessities of a job market.

Local context

The Academy of Business is one of two universities in Dąbrowa Górnicza

The Academy of Business in Dąbrowa Górnicza is the first university in Zagłębie Dąbrowskie. The Academy of Business in Dąbrowa Górnicza is the first higher education institution that has been existing since 1995. The institution, situated in the centre of the city, possesses its own building where all the classes take place. The institution makes available auditoriums, audiovisual classes, specialized computer, language and didactic laboratories, multimedia library together with a reading room as well as sport and recreational rooms to students. The Academy's library possesses a very rich research book collection as well as specialized magazines. The institution strongly influences the development of the region and citizens' lives through the organization of different initiatives supporting the life long learning for example: The Science Festival, The Dąbrowa Górnicza Children's University, The Youth University or The University of the Third Age.





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Strategy and objectives

Raising the quality of students' education,
Increasing the possibilities of students' education in the scope of new technologies using modern computer equipment which is adapted to the needs of the labor market,
Full and fast students' education in the scope of needs resulted from the labor market,
Modernizing didactic infrastructure,
Enabling the free access to the library stock as well as unaided borrowing and returning books.





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Management process

In the framework of the project the following people are employed:

1 person – the Administrator of the system implementation – full time job,
3 people: the Accountant, the Expert for information professional data processing systems implementation – data exploration, the Expert for information integrated management systems implementation – contract under the Academy.

The supervision of the project realization is performed by the Academy's Rector.





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Participants

The recipients of the project are both present and future Academy's students, didactic staff employed at the Academy as well as Dąbrowa Górnicza citizens indirectly.

Actions and objectives

The project realization positively influences the Dąbrowa Górnicza development in the field of higher education. The Academy's development contributes to the better perception of the region which is positively disposed towards activities in the field of education.

The aim of the project is the Academy's education infrastructure modernization by adaptation and equipping Computer, Language and Didactic Laboratories as well as the Library with the newest software and modern computer equipment which is based on the newest technologies aiding the education process and research.





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Financial resources

Project value – 3 454 510,84 PLN

Subsidy value – 2 936 334,21 PLN

Level of subsidy – 85%

Human resources and skills

The Academy employs people who are well prepared for the project realization from the administrative, technical and content point of view. Moreover, 1 person – the Administrator of the system implementation (full time job) and 3 people: the Accountant, the Expert for information professional data processing systems implementation – data exploration, the Expert for information integrated management systems implementation (contract under the Academy) have been directly employed to the project. The supervision of the project realization is performed by the Academy's Rector.

Conference partners:





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The project is rather universal. Every higher education institution can redecorate and modernize its infrastructure in a similar way. The accomplished purchases of the computer equipment and software as well as the modernization of the academic library activities can be moved to the other higher education or didactic institutions in other cities. The Academy does not suggest any changes to the project realization because all operations were deeply considered and analyzed and there is no need implement any changes.