



“Improving REsearch capacities of Albanian higher education institutions in conservation and restoration of Cultural Heritage – REACH”

International Summer School

Hands-On: Science and Practice for Cultural Heritage

1st - 15th October 2023, Albania

(Apollonia, Shkodra, Tirana)

Enrolment Rules and Regulations

Section I. General information

“Improving REsearch capacities of Albanian higher education institutions in conservation and restoration of Cultural Heritage – REACH” - Grant Agreement 610390-EPP-1-2019-1-AL-EPPKA2-CBHE-SP between EACEA Brussels and the University of Arts is an Erasmus+ Capacity Building project in the field of Higher Education aimed at supporting the development of multi-disciplinary research skills and technical know-how in the field of Cultural Heritage conservation and restoration in Albania.

The REACH Project Partners

The Institutions partnering in the project are: the University of Arts of Tirana (UART), Polytechnic University of Tirana (UPT), University of Shkodra Luigj Gurakuqi (UNISHK), Akademia e Studimeve Albanologjike (ASA), Alma Mater Studiorum - University of Bologna (UNIBO), University of Urbino Carlo Bo (UNIURB), and Escola Superior de Conservación e Restauración de Bens Culturais de Galicia (ESCRBBCCG).

The goal

In the framework of REACH project, University of Shkodra Luigj Gurakuqi and Akademia e Studimeve Albanologjike are launching an International Summer School whose goal is to transfer knowledge to both Albanian and international participants on innovative research methods on how to investigate, study, operate and promote cultural heritage in Albania and improve their experience of national/international best-practices.

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Certificate of Attendance

Participants of the REACH International Summer School will be awarded with a Certificate of Attendance, issued by with Akademia e Studimeve Albanologjike in cooperation University of Shkodra Luigj Gurakuqi.

The Call for Applicants

Based on the Project Approved Application Form and the respective Grant Agreement 610390-EPP-1-2019-1-AL-EPPKA2-CBHE-SP, it is announced the present Call for the selection of 12 Albanian and 9 European participants in the REACH International Summer School by the University of Arts Tirana in the quality of the Project Coordinator.

The structure

The International Summer School Hands-On: Science and Practice for Cultural Heritage will consist of 15 days (including the international travel days) and ca. 82 teaching hours structured in:

- a) Theoretical classes – lectures
- b) Practical classes – and laboratory activities
- c) Training activities will be held in Albania (Apollonia, Shkodra and Tirana)
- d) Language of the lectures: English

Section II. The Hands-On: Science and Practice for Cultural Heritage Summer School learning outcomes

The selected participants following the “Hands - On” International Summer School of REACH project, at the end of the course will achieve:

- Critical appraisal of situations of threaten cultural heritage (natural or anthropic human or anthropogenic risk) – Cultural Heritage Risk Assessment
- Key issues related to risk management and preventive conservation
- Knowledge of the most important investigation techniques and ability to deal with real case studies
- Critical evaluation of suitable scientific approaches and planning of an appropriate diagnostic protocol and appraisal of the feasibility and correctness of the use of techniques in the propaedeutic phase of planning conservative interventions and restoration

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- Knowledge of the restoration/conservation interventions on a variety of materials and artefacts (archaeological findings, historical building, works of art)

Section III. Preconditions for participating in the application procedures

- 1- The REACH International Summer School is open for applicants satisfying the following preconditions:
 - a) *The citizenship of the participants must be Albanian, Italian and Spanish.*
 - b) *Participants must be enrolled in one of the Partner institutions.*
 - c) *Must be in possess of a university degree: Bachelor level (or equivalent) or higher, in the fields of Archaeology, Art, History, Architecture, Cultural Heritage Studies, Natural Science, or*
Be enrolled from the 3rd year onwards in the 5-years cycle degree in Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage (or equivalent).
 - d) *English proficiency (equal or greater than B1 level)*
- 2- The number of participants to be selected from REACH Project Partner Institutions will be in total 21 (twenty-one).
- 3- The number of selected participants from each partner institution will not exceed 3 (three).
- 4- Preference will be given to applicants with previous laboratory and practice experience in the field of conservation and restoration of cultural heritage.
- 5- Non-academic qualifications, incomplete applications, and applications received after the fixed deadline of 02 August 2023 will be rejected.

Section IV. Documents and submission of the application

The application package includes the following documents:

- Signed Application Form (Annex I)
- Europass CV
- The University Degree (or equivalent)
- Certificate of registration in Partner Institution
- Copy of the ID Card or Passport





The applicants must submit their applications via email to the both addresses:

- projektet@uart.edu.al
- master@fondazioneflaminia.it

By submitting an application, the applicant confirms having read and accepted the above-mentioned regulations.

Section V. The selection modality

All the application forms submitted according to the rules of this Call will be evaluated and ranked.

- A first administrative phase will be dedicated to verifying documentation provided by the applicants and conformity with the rules of the present Call. This phase will be led by the University of Arts with the cooperation of the Akademia e Studimeve Albanologjike and Flaminia Foundation.
- In a second phase CVs of the applicants will be evaluated by a scale of 100 points by a Joint Selecting Commission whose members will be appointed by each academic partner institution. The minimum valid score is 50/100.
- The admission to the International Summer School of REACH project programme is granted to eligible candidates, within the limits of available seats, based on the ranking drawn up on the basis of the total score awarded. In the event of two candidates with the same score, the younger candidate will rank higher.
- The Selecting Commission will select 3 (three) participants per each Partner Institution and will consider a reserve list, in case of resignation.
- The ranking list will be notified by 24 August 2023
- The acceptance by the applicants should be confirmed by 31 August 2023

Section VI. Travel costs, Cost of Stay, Tuition Fees and Payment

The costs

The REACH International Summer School is supported by the European Commission and is thus free of charge for admitted participants.

- Travel costs will be reimbursed according to the Unit Costs of the Erasmus+ programme, as follows:
 - Cost of stay (Accommodation and meals) will be organized by the project. Participants will be accommodated in double rooms with shared bathroom.

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- Internal travels from Tirana to Apollonia, from Apollonia to Shkoder, from Shkoder to Tirana will be by bus and will be paid by ASA.

Travel cost coverage / Unit costs

Country of Origin	Travel Costs covered / student	Costs of stay covered / 15 days
Italy	275 Euro	810 Euro
Spain	360 Euro	810 Euro
Albania	20 Euro	810 Euro

Section VII. Insurance

The health insurance during international trip is mandatory.

- The students must be in possess of the document of their health insurance before leaving their country of origin.
- The insurance for third part liability must be granted by the sending institutions.

Section VIII. Processing of personal data

Personal data provided by the applicants will be processed by UART in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

Provision of the personal data indicated in this call for applications and in the attached form is mandatory for the purposes of participating in the procedure and for every consequent operation.



Annex I

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along with the following documents

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APPLICATION FORM

Surname	
Name	
Institution where you are currently studying or where you have obtained your Degree (or equivalent)	
Nationality	
Personal contacts: Address, Email, Phone.	
Highest obtained academic level	
Currently on-going academic studies	
Experience (conservation and restoration of cultural heritage)	
English proficiency level (minimum requirement B1 level)	
Additional comments (if any)	

To the best of my knowledge the information on this application is accurate and complete.

As per REGULATION (EU) 2016/679, I agree to the processing of my personal data by Universiteti I Arteve Sheshi Nene tereza, No.2, 1019, Email: projektet@uart.edu.al to allow my participation in REACH project which aims to improve research skills in the field of restoration in the four Albanian partner universities and to facilitate the structuring of a reference regulatory framework for the conservation of cultural heritage. My data will be accessible to the staff of UART as Data Controller and to the partners of the REACH project, for the exclusive use of the project activities, connected with my studies or my health and safety whilst on Summer School or for any other legitimate purpose.

Place, Date

Signature