Information and Communication Technologies usage by Erasmus Student Network University of Warsaw

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A little about myself

- Fourth year student of Polish Philology at the University of Warsaw
- Active ESN member from 2004
- ESN UW President since June 2007

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AGENDA

 Idol How ICT is used at the Erasmus Student Network University of Warsaw:  
  – Mentor Programme  
  – Mailing list  
  – Tandem  
 Idol Problems to solve
MENTOR PROGRAMME

- airport pick-up
- support with all the scary paperwork
- insightful know-how of the local student
- a helpful hand whenever you need it
MENTOR PROGRAMME

- online recruitment
- application form
- motivational letter

Mentor coordinator:

Ola

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Rejestracja na Mentora odbywa się dwa razy do roku - w styczniu i czerwcu.

FORMULARZ Zgłoszeniowy

Imię: 

Nazwisko: 

Adres e-mail: 

Numer telefonu kontaktowego: 

Z jakiego kraju chciał(a)byś przyjąć erasmusa?

Pierwszy kraj: 

Drugi kraj: 

Trzeci kraj: 

Kierunek studiów: 

Rok studiów: 

Motywacja

1. Dlaczego chcesz zostać mentorem?
2. Ile osób studentów 3. i jakiej płci chcesz się zająć?
MENTOR PROGRAMME

Problems:

– Time-consuming system,
– Lack of IT students to implement a better online recruitment system,
– Verification of candidates’ suitability,
– Huge members turnover among Mentors.
MAILING LIST

- dedicated to both incoming and Polish students: Mentors, ESN members, Erasmus
- informing about current news and upcoming events
- place to share expectations, problems and solutions
- the only way to stay in touch

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MAILING LIST

Shortcomings:

– Ineffective in the long term,
– Rapid decrease in interest in ESN projects among Erasmus students,
– E-mails treated like a spam.
MAILING LIST

Solution:

– Invite Erasmus to enrich our website with issues vital for incoming students,
– Create together a local section’s bulletin and a newsletter,
– Give diplomas and certificates in recognition for students’ involvement.
TANDEM

♫ Tandem as an innovative method of learning and teaching languages.
♫ Its dual aim is to enable foreign language learning and promote transferable skills. Tandem learning involves a partnership of two native speakers, learners of each other’s language who learn from each other and help one another to learn.

Tandem coordinator: Marta

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TANDEM

Problems:

– Existing system is time-consuming for the coordinator,
– Wrongly filled in applications,
– Lack of required information,
– Not enough publicized among Erasmus.
TANDEM

★ Solutions:

– Improve the application form,
– Publicize more Tandem among Erasmus,
– Implement e-Tandem (possibility to use emails, skype, telephone, video conferencing).
When coming back from Erasmus exchange

- Polish ex-Erasmus fill in a paper survey assessing and estimating their stay abroad – the only source of information for prospective Polish exchange students

- There is a great need for information flow concerning: different host universities, accommodation tips, ECTS points recognition

- International Relation Office and ESN should create so-called InfoCenter (internal documents in electronic format) containing required information for future Erasmus

- Another solution is setting up an alumni spotlight

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Courses registration issues

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- Different time for courses subscription for Polish and Erasmus students,
- Problem with physical education and language classes registration.
ESN UW – how can we help more and improve the information flow

- Create a database with information concerning accommodation, tips on lectures and exams, possibility of attaching pictures, video, uploading media files, geo-location

- ESN sections should improve their websites, strengthen the cooperation on local and national level

- ESN Satellite Project

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Problems to solve

- Lack of information flow between Polish students who have already been on Erasmus and those who are intending to go.

- Incoming students face difficulties when enrolling in chosen courses before their arrival (this year registration for Polish students started in June).

- ESN should improve contacts with outgoing students – create a database which would enable incoming students to get and exchange information about lectures, lecturers, opinions and advice.

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Thank you for your attention

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