

## Visit from Vytautas Magnus University Agriculture Academy, Lithuania

Assoc. prof. Otilija Miseckaite (Faculty of Water and Land Management, Vytautas Magnus University Agriculture Academy, Lithuania) visited East Sarajevo University. During the visit the professor met with the students from the Faculty of Agriculture and discussed opportunities for cooperation. She presented study programs and the possibilities for exchanges studies at Vytautas Magnus University Agriculture Academy. During the stay at the East Sarajevo University the possible cooperation in research, the inter-university cooperation within the framework of the Erasmus + program established and strengthen the scientific cooperation were discussed with Vice-Dean Marko Gutalj, Pof. Dr. Vesna Milic, Pof. Dr Tatjana Zdralic, Pof. Dr Aleksandra Govedarica Lucic etc.

History of Vytautas Magnus University Agriculture Academy (VMU-AA) started in 1924. At present about 5000 undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD students are studying at the VMU Agriculture Academy. Research and teaching staff of the VMU-AA consists of 400 people, including 200 professors and associated professors. Academic faculties and institutes: Faculty of Agronomy, Faculty of Bioeconomy development, Faculty of Forestry and Ecology, faculty of Water and Land Management, Faculty of Agricultural Engineering. The new structure since October 2012 has introduced 14 research and study institutes within all five faculties. They replaced former 28 academic departments.

VMU-AA is situated in the area of 719 ha, it has 5 academic buildings, experimental station, training farm, academic campus for students and faculty in Kaunas, Lithuania. The academic infrastructure is being modernized with a number of recent projects funded by the EU funds. A very modern example is a new research centre just completed in September 2012 which is accommodating the Joint Research centre and a large number of very modern world class laboratories as open access centres. All academic buildings provide 40 auditoriums, 42 classrooms, over 100 laboratories, library with the funds of 600 thousand books.

The intensive exchange of students and teachers with the universities from different European Union countries in frame of ERASMUS+ programme is going, as well as University of East Sarajevo.

