Within the framework of the exchange program co-financing the international exchange of students and academic staff in 2015/16 I spent the year at the Agronomy Mediterranean Institute in Bari (Italy) for a period of three months (January-March 2016).

The mobility program has helped me to improve my knowledge in the field I deal with, but also to gain a lot of experience through interaction with colleagues from Italy.

A number of contacts have been created and certain specific activities have been agreed to take place in synergy in the near future.

The exchange of academic staff and students for professional development abroad is a multi-beneficial investment, as in this way students and staff acquire valuable knowledge, skills and techniques from prestigious European institutes and universities, examples of good practice that can be applied in future work at our University and such exchange enables active participation in scientific research work through international projects and publication of works. Also, it makes possible to gain continuous promotion and recognition, permanent presence in international academic community through contacts and socializing through formal and informal character, further education and training, raising the quality of teaching activities modeled on the best European universities as well as raising the level of mobility of students and academic staff.

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