



EDiRE

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Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion for research enhancement (EDiRE) in Bosnia and Herzegovina, is a European Union Horizon Europe project, coordinated by the University Sarajevo School of Science and Technology (SSST) which started in September 2022.

Project partners include prominent universities from Europe: TU Dublin (Ireland), The University of Genoa (Italy), The Complutense University of Madrid (Spain), and The University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne (France).



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The aim of the Project is to create a collaborative network between the University Sarajevo School of Science and Technology (SSST) and four renowned research institutions in France, Italy, Ireland, and Spain, with the final aim of increasing SSST research profile, boosting its research capacity, especially in the field of Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI).

Within the next three years, EDiRE will focus on reinforcing SSST's science and research structure by adopting good practices and knowledge-sharing networks with partner universities from Italy, Spain, France, and Ireland. This project also aims to share knowledge across the BiH university network, and scientific institutions.

The Third project meeting

October 16th, 2023

The third Consortium meeting of the EDIRE project, hosted by TU Dublin on October 16th, was a gathering that brought together partners from different institutions, including TU Dublin, the University of Genoa, Sarajevo School of Science and Technology, University Complutense Madrid, and University Reims. This collaborative meeting provided an invaluable platform for partners to discuss and plan upcoming activities

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Integrating EDI principles and practices in higher education and beyond

October 17th, 2023

EDIRE Open Session hosted by TU Dublin on October 17, 2023. This event, a part of the EDIRE project (Equality Diversity and Inclusion for Research Enhancement in Bosnia Herzegovina) funded by Horizon Europe, brought together a diverse group of participants to facilitate the exchange and dissemination of EDI (Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion) best practices in Higher Education Institutions and beyond.

The event started with a welcome speech by Yvonne Galigan from TU Dublin.

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EDIRE trainings

September 2023 - February 2024

6 Months of Insightful Learning: EDIRE's Online Capacity Building Trainings

As we embark on this journey of capacity building, the EDIRE team is thrilled to share the highlights of our first month of online training sessions. These training sessions are thoughtfully designed to empower individuals and institutions with the knowledge and skills necessary to thrive in the realm of research, equality, diversity, and inclusion.

Our comprehensive list of trainings covered a diverse range of topics, ensuring that participants had access to a well-rounded educational experience



List of EDIRE trainings

- Introduction to the Horizon Europe Programs
- Project Management and Financial Issues
- EU Projects and Gender Equality Plans
- Gender Equality Resources in Academia and Research
- Fundraising and Research Funding
- A Road to Ph.D.: Supervision, Networking, and Autonomous Work
- Social Media For Success in Research
- Grant Writing
- Risks and Contingencies measures in EU projects
- RRI, Gender and Intersectionality
- Tackling unconscious bias in research
- How to Select a Journal to Publish Your Research

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Project management and financial issues
Training session

Cinzia Leone
27 Sep. 2023



Conference: Non-binary language

September 22nd, 2023

The EDIRE team had the privilege of attending an enlightening conference focused on non-binary language, thoughtfully organized by the Sarajevo Open Centre. This gathering in Sarajevo provided a unique and insightful platform for engaging in meaningful discussions and gaining valuable insights into the ever-evolving landscape of inclusive communication.

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Science and Research Day With EDI

November 22nd, 2023

Project Coordinator, prof. Jasminka Hasić Telalović participated in Science Day on the occasion of the International Week of Science and Peace Development.

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Virtual Mobility Training - Day I

December 1st, 2023

Virtual Mobility Training for SSST University Academic Staff held on the Olympic mountain Igman.

Our first day agenda was very busy, but packed with quite useful upcoming mobility and research enhancement opportunities. Project coordinator, Assoc. Prof. Dr Jasminka Hasić Telalović welcomed the participants, introduced guests and partners and went through the day's agenda.

Our EDIRE partners prepared various interdisciplinary oriented presentations.

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Virtual Mobility Training - Day II

December 2nd, 2023

On the second day of the Mobility Training, Sarajevo School of Science and Technology Academic Staff were introduced to new research horizons and the power of interdisciplinary and networking. EDIRE Advisory Member, Prof. Dr Mirsada Hukić presented her very inspiring and motivational story as the only woman who discovered rare viruses catching mice. She is the member of The European Academy of Science as well as BIH Academy of Science and Arts.

EDIRE team hosted Jasna Bošnjović, Head of the International Relations Office University of Sarajevo. She presented the activities that University of Sarajevo has been participating in, but also gave some inputs to strengthen international relations structure of SSST. [MORE](#)

Supporting Women Empowerment

December 5th, 2023

On December 5th, during the CS460 Artificial Intelligence course taught by Professor Jasminka Hasić, SSST's fourth-year students Lejla Ahmetović and Anna Mandžo, presented their undergraduate thesis topics. Both of their topics are based on Artificial Intelligence algorithms but in addition, have interesting applications. Amna's solution is taking the challenge of transforming the care economy that women are strongly impacted by. Lejla's solution is in the domain of #FemTech and it is bridging the gender gap in women's health information. [MORE](#)



16 days of activism final event held at SSST University

December 14th, 2023

On December 14th, the panel-discussion titled “Put yourself in my heels” was organized at SSST University by SSST Gender Office and TPO Foundation.

Moderator of panel-discussion was Emina Ganić, SSST Vice-Dean for Students, while panelists were:

- Prof. dr Zilka Spahić Šiljak, TPO foundation director;
- Mrs Mubera Hodžić Lemeš, Sigurna kuća – Safe House director;
- Mrs Emina Bošnjak, Sarajevski otvoreni centar – Sarajevo Open Center director;
- Assoc. Prof. Dr Jasminka Hasić Telalović, SSST Gender Office and EDIRE project Coordinator;
- Maja Misira Rašić, pshychologist at SSST Gymnasium;
- Dr. Nermin Šehović, on behalf of police and security sector

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Applying Artificial Intelligence and EDI to Medicine

December 10th, 2023

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jasminka Hasić Telalović, the EDIRE project coordinator, participated as a speaker at the International Conference – 9th Sarajevo Winter Oncology Conference. This is the major annual conference that presents innovation in the medical field of Oncology.

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EDI in BiH Academy of Arts and Science

January 12th, 2024

Professor Jasminka Hasić Telalović, the Coordinator of the EDIRE Project, played a prominent role as a featured speaker at the Biosecurity in Schools event held on January 12th at the Bosnian and Herzegovinian Academy of Arts and Science. Project Coordinator of the Biosecurity in Schools project is respected academician prof. Mirsada Hukić, who is also member of EDIRE Advisory Board.

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International Day of Education or EDication

January 25th, 2024

Project Coordinator Jasminka Hasić Telalović participated in the celebration of International Education Day at Homework HUB, the first university hub in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The event took the form of a roundtable discussion titled “Quo Vadis, Academia?”

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EDIRE project Coordinator at the University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne, France

January 27th, 2024

From January 27th to January 30th, Prof. Jasminka Hasić Telalović, the coordinator of the EDIRE project, undertook a visit to the University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne in France, partner in the EDIRE project. During this visit, Prof. Jasminka not only presented the ongoing activities at SSST University but also engaged in discussions about potential future collaborations between these two institutions.

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