"University - Secondary school" Forum. A partnership and cooperation experience – Model of EUT

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Abstract

The paper aims to bring a multi-year experience of cooperation between UET – Secondary School, through formalization and consolidation of the Forum "University - Secondary School". The forum is designed to bring together the most important secondary schools leaders of the country (public and private sector) and university staff members. The purpouse of this forum is: Firstly, to establish the relationship and contact between the EUT and Secondary School. Secondly, to create opportunities for mutual recognition which are related to issues and topics at the center of which is current Albanian college student, his qualities, characteristics, profile, the challenges, the difficulties he faces in his efforts to education, and his needs for counseling support during the processes of decision-making. Thirdly, the need for an entity which springs from the need to initiate a discussion and open debate on the topics which are related to the quality of education, reform of curricula, teaching methods, collaborating with the community and parents, the challenges of Albanian education in Albanian EU integration etc. Usually these meetings are invited to participate administrators of RED/-EAs. In the meetings organized by September of this year we discussed important topics that concern today's Albanian education, such as: i) internal evaluation of secondary school, how prepared are Albanian secondary schools to accomplish this requirement; ii) the discussion about the opportunities to promote the composition of "Order of Teachers and the school Code of Ethics"; the need to strengthen career counseling service in the gymnasium-models and successful experiences; iv) for new leadership in Education; v) reflections about "Development Strategy of Pre-University Education" 2014 – 2020 draft; (vi) the Albanian pre-university education between the Central and Local Government" (which basically has to do with the decentralization of education). This type of cooperation between universities and high schools has enabled and have given us the opportunity to address the issues arising beyond the themes provided, which have spread out for discussion in the form of new thesis as: What could be better for Professional Education? We'll share it between secondary education and higher educationor will entrust the challenge of "crafts", as well as that of the "professions" to higher education?

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