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### **International Coffee Day**

International Coffee Day is a celebration of the coffee sector's diversity, quality and passion. It is an opportunity for coffee lovers to share their love of the beverage and support the millions of farmers whose livelihoods depend on the aromatic crop. Many countries around the world celebrate their own national coffee days at various dates throughout the year. In March 2014, the Member States of the ICO agreed to organise International Coffee Day on 1 October to create a single day of celebration for coffee lovers around the world.

### **World Cities Day**

By IROUNMO



In a global ode to urban magnificence, World Cities Day took center stage recently, casting a spotlight on the intrinsic beauty of cities and their ability to adapt and endure. Sarajevo and Mostar, two jewels in the world's urban crown, unveiled their unique stories of charm and resilience. Sarajevo, with its cobblestone streets and a seamless blend of Ottoman, Austro-Hungarian, and modern architecture, showcased the city's rich cultural mosaic against the scenic backdrop of the Miljacka River. The celebration reverberated with the fusion of historical elegance and contemporary vibrancy. Mostar, home to the iconic Stari Most bridge, epitomized the spirit of World Cities Day by highlighting its architectural wonders. The gracefully arched bridge over the Neretva River symbolized the city's enduring strength and capacity for renewal. Both cities embraced the World Cities Day theme, "Adapting cities for climate resilience," by accentuating sustainable beauty. Sarajevo's parks and green spaces became vibrant canvases, illustrating the city's commitment to environmental harmony. Meanwhile, Mostar showcased how its urban fabric harmoniously coexists with the natural landscape. As the day unfolded, Sarajevo and Mostar reveled in their cities' beauty, engaging in festivities that celebrated local art, music, and gastronomy. Street performances added a dynamic rhythm to Sarajevo's old bazaar, while Mostar's cobbled streets echoed with the melodies of traditional Bosnian songs. World Cities Day served as a poignant reminder that beyond the challenges, cities like Sarajevo and Mostar embody a resilient spirit that thrives on the beauty of their unique landscapes. In celebrating their allure, these cities inspire a global appreciation for the diverse and captivating stories that urban environments tell, a testament to the enduring beauty that defines the heart of cities worldwide

## EduGame second training at the University of Salerno

By IROUNMO



University of Salerno in Italy hosted the second training as part of the Erasmus CBHE EduGame project from the 7th to the 11th of October, 2024.

The Dzemal Bijedic University of Mostar team was comprised of Prof. Dr. Emina Junuz, prof. Dr. Aida Džiho Šator, prof. Dr. Maja Kazazić, prof. Dr. Majra Lalić and prof. Dr. Edim Šator. It is a team skilled in foreign languages engaged in institutional capacity building and aware of the importance of continuous training of our teaching staff in the field of technology application in the teaching process and the transfer of acquired knowledge to other levels of education.

Prof. Edim Šator took an active part in the training on EdTech tools and Prof. Dr. Aida Džiho Šator and Prof. Dr. Majra Lalić lectured on "Some examples of gamified educational practices in Bosnia and Herzegovina".

The project's focus is on applying EdTech tools to improve human rights, democracy, and social cohesion. The multidisciplinary project team consists of professors from Spain, Lithuania, Italy, Albania, and Tunisia.

### Freshmen Hour



The University Sports and Recreation Center (USRC) "Midhad Hujdur Hujka" hosted the traditional Freshman Class ceremony to officially mark the start of the 2024/2025 academic year for first-year students at the "Džemal Bijedić" University in Mostar.

The Rector of the University, Prof. Dr. Alena Huseinbegović, the Minister of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, Prof. Dr. Adnan Velagić, and the President of the Student Union, Amir Čaušević, extended words of welcome to the students.

Rector Huseinbegović greeted the new students, welcoming them on behalf of herself, the faculty, collaborators, administrative and technical staff, and all students at "Džemal Bijedić" University in Mostar.

"Dear freshmen, today's ceremony marks the beginning of a new chapter in your lives. In the years to come, be diligent, show dedication and commitment, be collegial, curious, creative, and active in student organizations. Participate in socially responsible activities, events, student exchanges, and explore all the opportunities that studying offers you. Join us in offering your capacities to advance, develop, and modernize the University and society as a whole," said Rector Prof. Dr. Huseinbegović.

She reminded students that "Džemal Bijedić" University offers more than 50 modern academic programs, providing students with competitive skills for the job market and preparing them for challenges after obtaining their academic qualifications.

Minister of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, Prof. Dr. Adnan Velagić, also addressed the students, congratulating them and their professors on the beginning of the new academic year.

"On the occasion of the start of the 2024/2025 academic year, I extend my congratulations to all students, especially freshmen. Dear freshmen, in the years ahead, be diligent, hard-working, and eager for knowledge. Respect each other and appreciate the guidance you receive from your professors and assistants. I am confident they will be your support on your journey to obtaining your academic title. May this first academic year bring you nothing but success. On behalf of the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton and myself, I wish all students, professors, and teaching associates a successful new academic year," stated Minister Prof. Dr. Velagić.

The President of the Student Union, Amir Čaušević, reminded freshmen that the Student Union, as the umbrella student body of the University, is available to support them throughout their studies.

"Dear colleagues, I take this opportunity to invite you to actively participate in the work, initiatives, and projects of the Student Union, which represents the interests of all students at our University. The Student Union has completed numerous projects and will continue to do so this academic year. I invite you to join us in working together for the benefit of our University," said Čaušević.

After the welcoming speeches and gift presentations, students proceeded to their respective faculties and university departments, where they had the opportunity to meet the teaching and administrative staff they will be working with and learning from in the coming years.

# Volunteer activities at the University for Jablanica, Konjic and other places By IROUNMO



The University "Dzemal Bijedic" of Mostar, along with the Student Union, organized various events to raise money for the areas affected by severe floods in Donja Jablanica, Konjic, and throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina.

On October 7th and 8th, the Student Union coordinated with student associations from all faculties to initiate a voluntary fundraising campaign. They collected donations at all faculties from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and donated the funds to the organization "Pomozi.ba" to purchase water, food, and essential supplies.

In addition to fundraising, the Student Union launched a volunteer registration for cleanup efforts and other activities, aiming to assist those in need in Jablanica.

On October 9, 2024, students organized a blood donation campaign at the student health center in the Antalya student dormitory from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

University raised 20,000 KM to support areas affected by natural disasters, floods, and landslides in the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, specifically in Jablanica, Konjic, and surrounding regions. Faculty and University Rectorate contributions underscored their collective commitment to humanitarian goals.

They donated the collected funds to the Muslim Charity Society Merhamet, one of the oldest humanitarian organizations in the Balkans, which will direct the aid to those in greatest need.

On October 16, 2024, students from the university, along with the Student Union, participated in a volunteer action at Merhamet, sorting food and clothing for distribution.

# International Staff Week at Saarland University



Saarland University hosted an International Staff Week from October 7th to October 11th, 2024. The event was organized under the Erasmus+ program key action 171.

The Rector, Prof. Dr. Alena Huseinbegovic, and international relations officer Mirsada Behram represented the University at the International Staff Week.

The University representatives took advantage of the participation in the International Staff Week to agree with the representatives of Saarland University on strengthening the cooperation between the two Universities. Two institutions have agreed for the Faculty of Law of the Dzemal Bijedic University of Mostar and the Faculty of Law of the Saarland University to apply for the DAAD project, intensifying the cooperation between the Departments of German Language and Literature of both Universities and including the Departments of Sports and Health in the existing Erasmus+ KA 171 project. They also discussed ID cards for incoming students and how to introduce them at the institutional level.

During the International Staff Week, all participants had the opportunity to visit the European Parliament in Strasbourg

### **BOSNIAN DICTIONARY**

- TAKMIČENJE COMPETITION
- DEBATA- DEBATE

- SREDNJA ŠKOLA HIGH SCHOOL
- PRIJEMNI ISPIT ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

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