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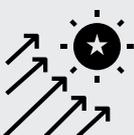
# QUALINEWS

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The message of Prof. Daniel David, rector of Babeş-Bolyai University at the opening ceremony of the 2023/2024 academic year offered a brief overview of UBB's ranks in different international academic hierarchies, while specifying the significant directions the university is taking in the field of internationalization by joining several European alliances (GUILD and EUTOPIA). The full text can be consulted [here](#).

## Competitiveness and internationalization

- The results of the [Times Higher Education \(THE\) World University Rankings by Subject](#) are out. Of the 11 subject areas in the ranking, UBB was ranked in 9. Nationally, UBB ranks 1st in the fields of Arts and humanities, Business and economics, Computer science, Engineering, Physical sciences, Psychology and Social sciences.
- In the [Shanghai Global Ranking of Academic Subjects](#), Babeş-Bolyai University ranks first nationally in the three fields included: Mathematics, Energy sciences and engineering, as well as Ecology. Internationally, UBB improved its results compared to 2022 in two subjects (Mathematics; Energy sciences and engineering). In Ecology UBB obtained the same rank as in 2022.
- From the 25th to the 30th of October, the Qualitas Centre organised a selection procedure for staff training mobility in the ERASMUS+ programme for the academic year 2023/2024. Four colleagues will have the opportunity to participate in exchange visits to European universities.



## News

- As a member of the EUTOPIA university consortium since 2021, by [Decision no. 11987/11.09.2023](#), UBB's Administration Council has approved to join the legal entity *EUTOPIA European University* as a founding member and to take on the responsibilities arising from this role.
- By [Decision no. 12543/18.09.2023](#), of UBB's Administration Council a number of 72 special scholarships are set up for the academic year 2023/2024 (scientific activity - 60, sports - 6 and cultural-artistic activity - 6).
- The reporting template for faculties (Annex II, PO-AC-15) regarding *The evaluation of teachers' and researchers' professional activity by management* has been revised through [Decision no. 14.668/16.10.2023](#) of UBB's Administration Council.

## Activities

- During October 2023, Qualitas Centre is recruiting for the position of an officer.
- *The Annual Report on Quality Assurance at Babeş-Bolyai University* and the *Report on student attrition at Babeş-Bolyai University* were finalised.
- In the frame of the project CNFIS-FDI-2023-F-039 "*Increasing inclusivity through appropriate academic support measures - Open2UBB*" four workshops on student attrition and the finalisation of the operational procedure for the *Monitoring and Counselling of the student population at risk of attrition* (PO-AC-12) were held in October. The participants at these sessions were the Quality Assurance and Evaluation Committee (QAEC-UBB) members, QAEC chairs at faculty level and student members of these committees, teaching staff tutors/year tutors, as well as the executive secretaries of the faculties.



# HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH AWARD

Receiving the HR Excellence in Research award represents UBB's commitment to implement the principles of the [Code and Charter for Researchers](#) in order to foster research careers since 2018.

The European Commission recognizes with the HR Excellence in Research Award the institutions that make progress in aligning their human resources policies to the 40 principles of the Charter & Code, based on a customized action plan/HR strategy.

- Preparations have started for the interim evaluation of the HRS4R process at the end of next year, which this time will include a one-day visit by the evaluators.
- The first step will be to carry out a needs assessment of researchers and academic staff, which will serve as the basis of the new action plan.
- We invite you to participate as extensively as possible in the research we will soon initiate on this subject.

## Events and recommendations



- Open course "[Gender equality and inclusive workplace](#)" - in Romanian and Hungarian - registration open until **Nov. 1, 2023**
- Hybrid event in Brussels - [Researchers' Career Conference and HRSR Info Day](#) - **Nov. 21-23, 2023**
- European Quality Assurance Forum "[Internationalization in a Changing World. New Trends and Challenges for QA](#)" at Aveiro University, Portugal - **Nov. 23-25, 2023**
- Focus group EUA "[New Technologies and Training Needs for Research Ethics Committees](#)" - online **Nov. 13, 2023**
- [EUTOPIA WEEK](#) at Technische Universität Dresden, Germany - **Dec. 4-6, 2023**

## Diversity and inclusion

By [Decision no. 14.453/11.10.2023](#), UBB's Administration Council approved the allocation of special scholarships from the university's own funds to students of Romanian ethnicity as well as foreigners from the Ukraine in the amount of 450 lei/month.

On the 20th of October 2023 an interactive presentation was held entitled "[Diversity and Inclusion: Building University Community](#)" at the Faculty of Sociology and Social Work for first and third year students.

Dear Colleagues,

If you have / organise / create / participate in tutorials / demonstrations / tools regarding online teaching, which you think would be useful to share with the UBB community, please send us a link to them, so we can include them in the next issue of Qualinews.



Qualitas Centre is willing to assist fellow members of the UBB staff with information regarding quality assurance, university rankings and graduate market employability overviews. You can contact us at [qualitas@ubbcluj.ro](mailto:qualitas@ubbcluj.ro) or at the extensions: 7021 and 7022, every day from 8am to 4pm.