ERASMUS + REPORT

The last four months were probably the most important experience I could get and I appreciate the opportunity taking part in ERASMUS a lot. I lived together with other people from different nationalities and I think there is no better way to experience culture. Apart people from my country I met people from even more foreign countries and we experienced nearly everything together, including great, enjoyable and funny situations as well as sad moments.

The things I learned during my stay in Timisoara, the stories I heard and the people I met will influence the rest of my life since it opened my mind a lot. You can read everything about another country, about their political or social problems but knowing people from that specific place and listening to their stories gives a lot more than just information and reflects the ideas and opinions of individuals. This way of learning is much more effective since you exchange ideas and broaden your horizons by communicating with people from other nationalities and feel emotionally involved. For this reason, Timisoara was a really good choice as this country and especially this city is full with history.

First my motivations to apply for Erasmus was basically connected with purpose to improve myself in the field of my research via cooperation with professors from UPT. Basically I didn't know what kind of program is Erasmus+ and what does it involve. Before arriving in Timisoara, I didn't know what to expect; I felt excited and slightly nervous at the same time. However, on my first days at faculty, I soon realized that there was nothing to worry about.

I am also glad that I chose UPT, I felt good from the very beginning because of the friendly atmosphere. The staff were very polite, helpful and came to aid with any problems I was concerned with. My judgement is that about 50% Professors and Assistants know some basic level English and only few of them speak English very well. Prof. Herisanu is great coordinator as he did his best to always find time for me in his busy schedule. He assigned me a cabinet in which I could do my projects. He introduced me with other professors, who helped me to overcome lingual barriers and kept me informed. I would also express my thanks to prof. Herisanu for his tutorship, willingness and patience to work with me and explain me all misunderstanding that I had. We wrote 2 articles connected with rotor misalignment, and it is going to be published in remarkable articles.

Secondly I should not forget to mention my pleasure for being in Timisoara. Timisoara is really beautiful city with a lot of sightseeing, it is big as Nish, but orderly. There are also a lot of weekly events that were heled in Timisoara, so my friends from Serbia and me had been participating in many of them. Romanian people are very friendly and eager to cooperate, especially the ones that were in dorm with us. We have visited many pubs and restaurants in Timisoara and tried different dishes from Romanian cuisine. I won't forget to say that unfiltered Timisoreana beer is the best one.

Developing relationships with not only Erasmus students but also Romania, generally speaking, made me able to interact with different cultures to improve my interpersonal skill but also it gave me a chance to start working on betterment of adapting Erasmus culture in my home University of Nish so future students is going be able to experience same as I did.

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