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The Institution agrees to publish this overall strategy (all three parts) on its website within one month after the signature of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education by the European Commission.

Please describe your institution's international (EU and non-EU) strategy. In your description please explain a) how you choose your partners, b) in which geographical area(s) and c) the most important objectives and target groups of your mobility activities (with regard to staff and students in first, second and third cycles, including study and training, and short cycles). If applicable, also explain how your institution participates in the development of double/multiple/joint degrees. (max. 5000 characters)

Our institution's international (EU and non-EU) strategy aims to develop within the new context of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) and the European Research Area (ERA), based on the new challenging frame of the globalized market, where the prospects and programs are permanently renewed, where geographical barriers are blurring, the informational technologies are offered to students beyond the conventional boundaries and the research is developed by international partnerships and utilizes most of the community's financial resources. In choosing our partners we focus on the formation of solid skills to our students, on undergraduate, master, PhD and postdoctoral studies in the domain of interest, on formation and specialization for staff mobility with advanced research and education supported by a realistic plan, these being essential in adapting to the new challenges of the society trends and of the academic world today; a world characterized by dynamism, inventiveness and spirit of competition, to which the Romanian society must answer according to the new aspirations of a knowledge-based civilization. As an advanced research University, we promote an innovative education, in which research will bring a major contribution to the intellectual and professional formation, oriented to complex problems of the Romanian agriculture, but also to the new orientations in the European life science has as mission the professional formation at university level and the scientific knowledge production by research and innovation, to be able that way to lead to the elimination of all types of obstacles to occupational mobility, between countries or between sectors, will also facilitate the mobility of staff and researchers, thus stimulating innovation. The assumed mission is realized by education and advanced scientific research. The University will fulfill its mission by promoting excellence in education, research and innovation, by initial and post-university formative study programs, by long-life learning system, and by acceding to the universal values, in accordance with the requirements of a knowledge-based society. The university aims to embrace an enterprise culture, placements in industry are recognized so that they can be fully integrated into courses. In this context, access to the labour market serves as an indicator of the quality and performance. The strategy is developed in accordance with the Management Plan and the Management contract signed by the Rector with the University Senate. The University aims to have an active role in the elaboration and implementation of policies and educational programs, for research, technology transfer and employment, at national and international levels. Through a sustained development, the USAMV Cluj-Napoca wishes to affirm its role of "pole of excellence" for academic education and research, for culture and technology transfer related to life sciences and specific fields, in the South-East and Central European area.

If applicable, please describe your institution's strategy for the organisation and implementation of international (EU and non-EU) cooperation projects in teaching and training in relation to projects implemented under the Programme. (max. 2000 characters)

Among the main actions for achieving the strategic objectives concerning the international relations it has to be underlined the following:
- increasing the university's prestige by the active participation within consortia and associations and by European and international academic affiliations;
- involvement of teachers in the exchange programs with partner universities from EU and non EU countries;
- increasing the international visibility for a more active European involvement in education by increasing the number of foreign students for university's study programs;
- ensuring the financial support by special programs dedicated to the foreign students, university's teachers and those invited from abroad, because they can become the best ambassadors for the future university performance and its international visibility.
Please explain the expected impact of your participation in the Programme on the modernisation of your institution (for each of the 5 priorities of the Modernisation Agenda*) in terms of the policy objectives you intend to achieve. (max. 3000 characters)

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The expected impact of the university’s participation is in the terms of: a modernizing the university by offering identical courses to similar types of students, offer different types of training and other target groups as conversion courses for adults or transition courses for those who haven’t followed traditional educational pathways; in terms of flexible administrative regulations and academic recognition procedures the university aims to an open research environment, a interactive and a competitive one, to have resources so that to ensure that the quality of the university in terms of courses and research is comparable with all big universities in Europe and beyond. The university aims to encourage innovation and resist change, to provide knowledge and skills geared to the needs of the labor market; Referring the funding of the university, this aims to be results-oriented rather than resources-oriented, to be more diverse and include more private funding for research, especially. Another objective is to redefine education and research priorities by focusing more on research fields than scientific disciplines. Also it is highly important to gain experience in cooperation (consortia, agreements, double degree) mentoring and mobility. From the point of quality and attractiveness of the university we aim to ensure more flexibility and openness to the labor market in teaching/learning by fully exploiting the potential of information and communications technology. The role of the university in the higher education system regards also to the internationalization of education and research in terms of developing effective and close cooperation between universities and industries, the emergence of new expectations. The objectives the university has respect the Bologna process that encourage mobility of students and teachers, academic recognition of diploma and period of study, exchange of information and experience on issues common to the education systems of Member states. The system of quality is represented by objectives that concern the autonomy and independence of the university and the way it fulfills the requests for expertise. All these objectives are meant to respond to the present needs of the European Union in terms of policy, economical and social frame. In response to these the university aims through its objective to give the opportunity to the students, regardless the nationality, social or political views to be able to integrate and more important to adapt to the requests of the society and the labor market. Collaboration with other institutions is important due to the impact it has on the market, aiming to the creation of new jobs with qualified people.