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Outcomes of the Exchange Visit of Dr. Halyna Alekseievska to the Free University of Berlin

Thanks to the successful implementation of the project and the invaluable support of European universities, Halyna Alekseievska had the exceptional opportunity to visit the Free University of Berlin, a key academic partner, in November 2024. During her visit from November 25 to 29, 2024, Halyna Alekseievska participated in a series of academic activities, including meetings with faculty members, engagement in research discussions, and access to university resources. She was warmly welcomed by Professor Grigoriadis, the project coordinator, who provided significant support throughout her stay. Discussions with faculty members from the Institute for East European Studies and the School of Business and Economics identified potential areas for future cooperation, particularly in economic resilience, international trade, and migration trends.

One of the highlights of the visit was the successful organization of the "Free University of Berlin – Odesa National University Round Table: Socio-Economic Challenges for the EU and Ukraine and Paths for Cooperation," held with the support of Professor Theoharis Grigoriadis from the Free University of Berlin. The round table brought together researchers to discuss the socio-economic challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and Russia’s full-scale invasion, focusing on trade disruptions, migration trends, and the role of tourism in post-crisis recovery. Participants emphasized the importance of strengthening research collaboration and developing digital knowledge-sharing platforms to enhance resilience in times of crisis. The event provided a valuable space for academic dialogue between scholars from Odesa I. I. Mechnikov National University and the Free University of Berlin, reaffirming the necessity of integrating Ukrainian researchers into the broader European academic community.

A significant aspect of the visit was access to the extensive academic resources of the Free University of Berlin. Thanks to the support of Professor Grigoriadis, Halyna Alekseievska was able to utilize the University Library, the Institute for East European Studies, and the School of Business and Economics, which provided access to an extensive collection of literature and digital databases. These resources significantly enriched her research and provided valuable insights into ongoing academic debates.

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As a result of the visit, several key outcomes were identified, including the strengthening of academic ties between the two universities, discussions on potential joint research projects, and improved access to academic resources and databases for researchers engaged in the collaboration. The discussions also highlighted the importance of expanding digital knowledge-sharing platforms to facilitate more effective academic cooperation.



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Coefficients and their statistical evaluation

Model parameters	Unified data model (pooled)	Fixed effects model (FE)	Random effects model (RE)
	Coefficients	Coefficients	Coefficients
	(t-statistics)	(t-statistics)	(t-statistics)
Constant	-180747	-169928	-180747
	-2,453**	-2,278**	-2,453**
EMPLOY	19,2200	19,1914	19,2200
	16,95***	16,83***	16,95***
MWAGE	126,790	119,122	126,790
	2,426**	2,252**	2,428**
Log probability	-	-1686,364	-1688,288
F _{stat.}	147,9546	0,731971	-
(p-value)	(0,0156)	(0,0245)	-
R ² _{adjusted}	0,701606	0,715213	-

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A comparative analysis of tourist flows and economic growth across all EU countries was conducted, and based on these criteria (tourists spendings, tourist arrivals and GDP per capita), a cluster analysis was performed. This analysis identified four distinct clusters.

CLUSTERS

Austria, the Netherlands, Denmark, Belgium, Sweden, Finland, and Ireland

Bulgaria, Estonia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Latvia, Romania, Cyprus, Malta, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Greece, Poland, and Portugal

Luxembourg

Germany, France, Italy, Spain, and Croatia



