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Project:
The Academic Profession and Societal Expectations: Challenges for University Civic Mission
(EUROAC)
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PUBLIC STATEMENT

regarding the launch of the project

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RIJEKA, October 1, 2009. - We are pleased to inform you that a group of scientists and associates from the University of Rijeka (composed of: Professor Jasminka Ledić, PhD, project leader, Professor Branko Rafajac, PhD, Bojana Ćulum, MSc, Nena Rončević, MSc - all from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Rijeka, and Sandra Nuždić and Marko Turk - from the Foundation of the University of Rijeka) had their project ***The Academic Profession and Societal Expectations: Challenges for University Civic Mission*** approved by the European Science Foundation. The project is implemented within the collaborative program *The Academic Profession in Europe: responses to societal challenges*, in collaboration with scientists from 5 European countries (Germany, Austria, Ireland, Romania and Switzerland),

The main research objective of the Croatian project is analysing two key elements in the development of the academic profession, namely: examining the prerequisites for civic mission integration through the academic profession on the national and institutional level and the readiness and possibilities of the academic profession to contribute to the processes of sustainable development, regarded as a part of the university civic mission.

The project is a part of the EUROCORES/ EUROHESC Programme of the European Science Foundation, funded by the National Foundation for Science, Higher Education and Technological Development of the Republic of Croatia, and starts from October 1, 2009.

It is important to emphasize that the project was approved for funding in the strong competition of other projects at the EU level, and was highly rated by reviewers thus representing a significant step forward for both local and national scientific community, considering we are the only Croatian representatives in this project.

The cooperation established while preparing and applying this project, together with leading centers on the EU level, testifies to the international recognition and success of our team.

We would be very grateful if you would inform the public about this important scientific achievement.

Sincerely,

Professor Jasminka Ledić, PhD, Project Leader

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