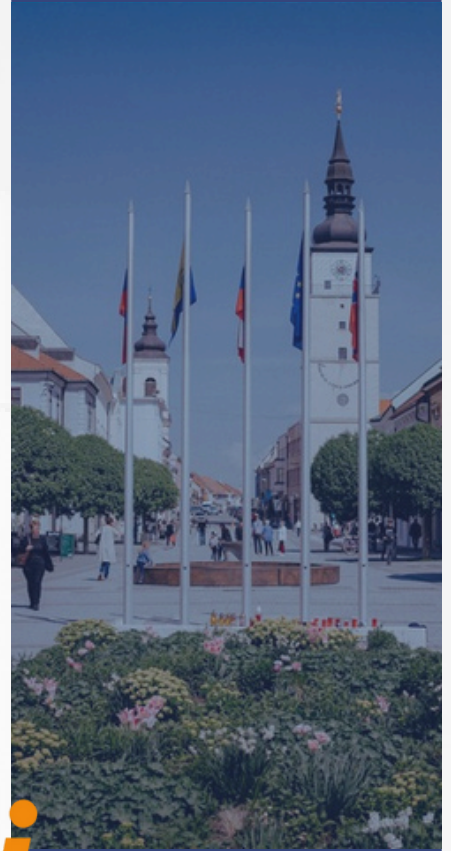




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Internationalization Strategy 2025 - 2030



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Trnava University Internationalization Strategy



Trnava University fully recognizes its mission in the field of internationalization, which goes beyond the boundaries of the academic environment and reaches into the broader social, cultural, and value-based context. Internationalization is not only a means of developing the university, but also a key element of its contribution to the development of the region and an open society.

With this awareness of responsibility, we aspire to become a unifying force within the Trnava region and a gateway for the exchange of cultural perspectives, academic approaches, innovative solutions, and interdisciplinary knowledge. The Internationalization Strategy 2030 represents a vision that defines Trnava University as a center of excellence, a space for creative thinking, and a platform for partnership cooperation with domestic and international institutions.

However, every strategy requires concrete steps – to achieve this vision, we have set seven fundamental goals, which represent both a challenge and a commitment for everyone who co-creates the shared story called Trnava University and contributes to its long-term sustainability.

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The University as a Living Organism – an Accelerator of Change and a Cultivator of Partnerships

The University as a Living Organism – an Accelerator of Change and a Cultivator of Partnerships. The Internationalization Strategy of Trnava University for 2030 is based on a vision of the university as a dynamic, interconnected, and value-driven mechanism that bridges tradition with innovation, academic excellence with practice, and the local environment with global developments.

We are a proud member of the European university consortium KreativEU, whose vision and values are directly reflected in the strategic goals of Trnava University. Membership in this consortium motivates us to develop sustainable international partnerships, deepen interdisciplinary synergies, and innovate educational and research processes in favor of an open and creative academic culture.

We are also an active part of the EURAXESS network, which commits us to creating attractive conditions for the mobility and arrival of researchers from abroad. Through this platform, we develop tools and mechanisms for the internationalization of the research environment, significantly strengthening our scientific potential.





The main priorities of the strategy are divided into four areas:

· Mobility

Trnava University supports reciprocal mobility of students, teachers, researchers, and staff – as a tool for knowledge exchange, cultural enrichment, and professional growth.

· Organization

We aim for Trnava University to be perceived as an internationally respected and trustworthy institution, capable of responding to global challenges with local impact.

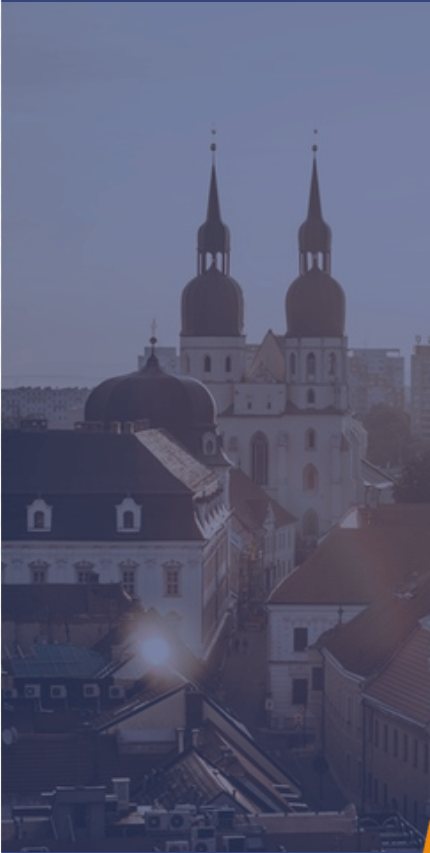
· Research

Our research teams actively participate in international projects and calls, emphasizing interdisciplinarity, social responsibility, and scientific integrity.

· Education

The university will develop new educational formats and enhance existing study programs – with a focus on flexibility, practical applicability, and global relevance.





The University as a Center of Excellence

Trnava University aspires to become an important regional platform that connects education, research, and innovation with the needs of society.

A key priority within our internationalization strategy is the development of critical thinking and the promotion of interdisciplinary dialogue.

In the dynamic environment of globalization and ongoing transformational processes, we aim to create conditions for a creative and stimulating academic atmosphere that will motivate students, educators, and researchers toward excellence in education, scientific activity, and professional growth.

By establishing the discussion and communication platform TRUNIForum, we will introduce engaging societal topics and inspire both the academic community and the wider public to rethink paradigmatic approaches and challenge established stereotypes in thinking and perceiving global challenges.

By 2030, we aim to become a leader in excellence and innovation with a strong opinion-shaping and practical impact on the region.





The University as a Platform for Collaboration

Trnava University will create an open space for international collaboration among students, educators, researchers, regional partners, and other regional and global stakeholders. It will support interdisciplinary projects and use creativity as a tool to address current challenges.

Between 2025 and 2030, Trnava University will position itself as a safe space for intellectual discussion, scientific exploration, and creative thinking—where history meets the present, local perspectives engage with global challenges, and tradition blends with progress.



This process is essential for building an inclusive and sustainable academic community that promotes social responsibility, excellence in education, and cultural diversity.

Through the creation of TRUNIHub, the university aims to significantly strengthen its role as a regional shaping force and contribute to the development of a multicultural ecosystem that effectively connects local stakeholders with international institutions, experts, and leaders in education, research, and innovation.



GOALS

1 – ESTABLISHMENT OF TRUNI HUB CENTER

Sub-goals

1. Create a physical and virtual space at the university that will serve as a center for networking, workshops, and intercultural meetings.
2. Organize regular events that bring together international and domestic students, researchers, educators, regional partners, and other stakeholders.
3. Strengthen the connection between the academic community, public and private sectors, cultural institutions, and funding agencies to support academic exchange, applied research, internships, and professional opportunities for students, academic staff, and researchers.
4. Establish an international TRUNI Alumni network and actively engage alumni in supporting internationalization through the activities of the KreativEU Career Centre platform.
5. Provide organizational, personnel, participatory, and conceptual support for the KreativEU Smart Sustainability Think Tank platform.



2 – EXPAND THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE (IRO) AS A DYNAMIC AND CONNECTING ELEMENT

Sub-goals

- 1.**Unify and simplify the naming of the Department for External Relations and Mobility to IRO (International Relations Office) to create a clear, internationally understandable, and memorable name that also serves as an internal and external identifier of the department within the institution.
- 2.**Strengthen cooperation between the IRO team, faculties, and both the private and public sectors.
- 3.**Provide intensive support from the IRO team to educators and researchers in acquiring international grants and partnerships.
- 4.**Implement proactive communication with key stakeholders, share collaboration opportunities, and actively support integration initiatives at TRUNI.





3 – INTERNATIONALIZATION OF MOBILITY

Sub-goals

1. Promote all types of mobility as a tool for expanding education through the university's and faculties' available communication channels. Support sustainable forms of mobility with an emphasis on more environmentally friendly modes of transportation.
2. Increase student mobility by 30% by 2030 (as a proportion of the total student population).
3. Increase academic staff mobility by 30% (as a proportion of the total number of educators).
4. Increase administrative staff mobility by 20% (as a proportion of the total number of administrative employees).
5. Support the implementation of "mobility windows" in study programs based on institutional capacities and legislative frameworks, while continuously simplifying administrative processes related to mobility.
6. Develop and implement a mechanism for mutual recognition of study periods, exams, and research activities within the KreativEU network.
7. Provide organizational support to student bodies and enable students to participate in KreativEU Students' Festivals.

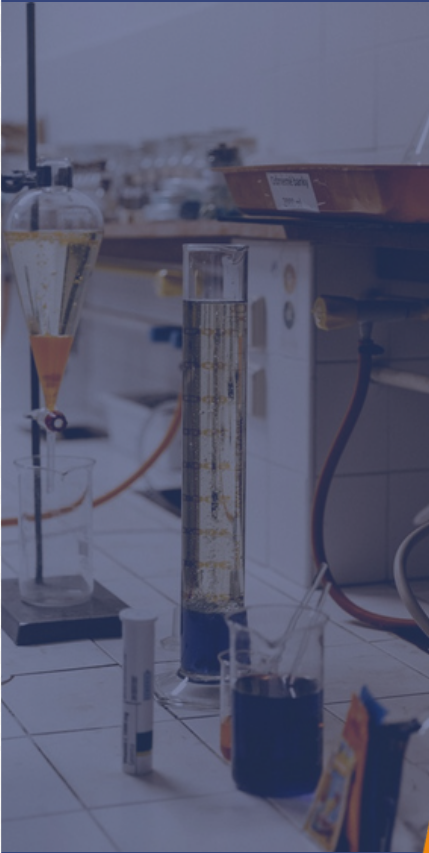


4 – STRENGTHENING THE INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER OF THE UNIVERSITY

Sub-goals

- 1.**Develop, build, and ensure sufficient financial support for strategic collaborations with educational, research, and international institutions of both European and non-European character.
- 2.**Initiate at least 3 interdisciplinary scientific and research projects annually (e.g., global, regional) involving domestic and international students and university staff.
- 3.**Increase the number of international or bilateral partnerships with European and non-European universities and research institutions by at least 3 per year.
- 4.**Support the active use of government-funded grant programs aimed at attracting international students to Trnava University.
- 5.**Actively connect the university and its faculties with the goals and mission of the KreativEU consortium.





5- INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH

Sub-goals

1. Enhance the quality of research and publishing activities through collaboration with international research institutions.
2. Increase the attractiveness of Trnava University for international scientists and researchers by creating favorable conditions for both short-term and long-term research stays.
3. Increase the number of international research projects by 25% by 2030.
4. Support academic staff in participating in international grant schemes.
5. Establish and coordinate a university-managed EURAXESS advisory center for international scientists, researchers, and students.



6 – INTERNATIONALIZATION OF EDUCATION

Sub-goals

1. Expand the offer of accredited study programs in English by 50% by 2030.
2. Increase the attractiveness of study programs and the university environment for international students by developing English-taught courses with a year-on-year growth of 20%.
3. Expand the offer of innovative hybrid forms of education and actively support their development.
4. Increase the number of joint programs by at least 1 per year.
5. Provide students with education aimed at achieving “micro-certificates” and “micro-qualifications.”
6. Improve the language and intercultural competencies of staff through training programs.
7. Increase the percentage of incoming students for short-term exchange stays by 30% year-on-year.





7 – ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRUNI FORUM PLATFORM

Sub-goals

1. Organize expert seminars, lectures, or panel discussions with domestic and international guests based on faculty recommendations.
2. Host moderated debates with domestic or international guests on current topics (political, social, academic, etc.) with national, international, and intercultural relevance.
3. Utilize modern hybrid technologies in the implementation of events.





8 – REGULAR MONITORING

Sub-goals

1. Implement a system of regular reporting to simplify the tracking and evaluation of mobility numbers, publications, international projects, and partnerships.
2. Analyze data and measurable indicators as defined in the strategic document Long-Term Plan of Trnava University in Trnava for the years 2021–2026.





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