

Basic principles of project implementation

1. Equal distribution of responsibilities

For each activity or task one of the partners bears main responsibility. These responsibilities are distributed fairly equally among partners, and according to partners' experiences and specialisation. Specialist teams are formed for certain activities, e.g. for development of modules or the curriculum evaluation system. These teams consist of staff members from different European and Asian partner universities who collaborate in performing the respective tasks contributing their specialist knowledge.

2. Closest-possible cooperation of partners

Design of the project follows the principle to foster cooperation of all partners with each other: Teams planning and implementing project activities are always mixed differently and according to special skills of team members. Thus, plenty of interfaces are created between project participants, and partners work together on different levels. These experiences will be the basis for joint activities in the future.

3. Integrative approach: Simultaneous development of Human Resources, Curriculum and Institutions

The project follows an integrative approach, involving activities in all three priority areas of the Asia-Link programme. Basis is the conviction that sustainable results may only be achieved if human resources, curricula and institutions are developed at the same time.

All activities of the action are designed to contribute in different ways to the project purposes and long-term sustainability of project achievements and thus to complement each other. Activities follow an integrative approach: HRD, CD and ISD are interlinked to ensure project success.

4. Involvement of new-generation teaching staff

Whereas some of the activities are geared rather towards present teaching staff, the project will also address future teachers (Activities 2+3) so that continuation in the application of problem-based learning as well as the teaching of food supply chain management are ensured.