

Majski posvet Doktorske šole UL 2017

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Spoštovane kolegice in kolegi, dragi gostje,

Dobrodošli na letošnjem majskem posvetu Doktorske šole Univerze v Ljubljani.

Letošnje srečanje je posebej slavnostno, ker posvet organiziramo ob počastitvi desete obletnice delovanja doktorske šole Univerze v Ljubljani. Imamo razloge za slavlje. Doktorski študij na univerzi v Ljubljani je področje delovanja univerze, na katerega smo lahko ponosni. To dobro delo seveda ni bilo povzročeno z začetkom delovanja doktorske šole pred desetimi leti, ampak obratno – to, da smo že takrat ocenili, da je raziskovanje in usposabljanje doktorskih študentov in študentk nekaj čemu je potrebno posvetiti posebno pozornost je pripeljalo do tega, da je Univerza pod takratnim vodstvom rektorice prof. Andreje Kocijančič pridobila nov instrument še bolj sistematične skrbi za odličnost doktorskega študija. To je namen doktorske šole UL – spodbujati najboljše načine organiziranja doktorskega študija, prispevati k doseganju boljših materialnih in drugih pogojev za raziskovanje, sprožati razprave znotraj in zunaj univerze o vprašanjih, ki zadevajo doktorski študij in se intenzivno povezovati z okoljem – z drugimi univerzami in drugimi institucijami pomembnimi na področju doktorskega študija v Sloveniji, Evropi in svetu. Za doktorski študij na Univerzi v Ljubljani so danes bolj kot pred desetletjem značilni interdisciplinarnost in povezanost doktorskih študijskih programov, transparentnost postopkov in enotnost standardov na vseh doktorskih študijskih programih. Jasneje so definirane vloge teh, ki so v doktorski študij vključeni in bolj sistematično kot prej skrbimo za potek raziskovalnega dela v okviru doktorskega študija in vpetost doktorandov in doktorandk v kakovostna raziskovalna okolja doma in v tujini.

Ena najpomembnejših institucij, ki je v veliki meri označila delo Doktorske šole UL je Svet za doktorsko izobraževanje Evropskega združenja univerz. Smernice Sveta in tesno sodelovanje z njim so bile pomembne za izboljšave, ki smo jih v zadnjem desetletju vpeljali v organizaciji doktorskega študija na UL. Veseli smo, da je danes z nami novi vodja Sveta gospod David Oliva Uribe, ki bo spregovoril o izzivih in prihodnosti doktorskega študija v Evropi. Ponosni smo, da smo letos bili izbrani za gostiteljico letnega srečanja Sveta junija 2018, ko bomo središče razprave o stanju in perspektivah doktorskega študija.

Naša univerza je zelo vpeta v evropski in svetovni visokošolski prostor prav na področju doktorskega študija. Povezovanje in skupno delovanje je v času globalizacije in digitalizacije raziskovanja in študija, še posebej na tretji stopnji, nujno. Nujno je potrebno skupaj naslavljeni vprašanja novega pomena študija in raziskovanja doktorandov tako za njih kot za družbo. Preseganje zaprtosti doktorskega študija v akademskem prostoru, s tem povezane raznolike karijerne poti mladih raziskovalcev oziroma nosilcev doktorskih nazivov, nujnost interdisciplinarnega in mednarodnega razlikovalnega pristopa pri naslavljanju izzivov, s katerimi smo soočeni v sodobnem svetu, vprašanja ustreznega financiranja in uporabe rezultatov raziskovanja doktorandov - so samo nekatera od vprašanj, na katera bomo skupaj lažje našli odgovore.

Tudi naše današnje srečanje je priložnost za razmislek in razpravo, kako na osnovi dobre dosedanje prakse na naši univerzi in v drugih akademskih okoljih doktorski študij še izboljšati. Trenutno na UL poteka zaključna razprava o pravilih na doktorskem študiju. V razpravi o konkretnih rešitvah in členih

tega dokumenta naslavljamo vprašanja narave in namena doktorskega študija ter odnosov, ki se zaradi in v okviru njega ustvarjajo – med kandidati in kandidatkami in temi, ki jih v različnih vlogah spremljajo, pa tudi med univerzo in njenim okoljem. Tudi danes bo zagotovo priložnost za pogovor o teh temah.

Univerza v Ljubljani sodeluje z institucijami iz celega sveta, posebej pomembno nam je in posebej negujemo sodelovanje z univerzami iz držav, ki so nam kulturno in geografsko blizu.

Zato smo veseli, da so tudi na današnjem slavlju z nami kolegi iz univerz iz dveh sosednjih držav, s katerimi že dolgo in zelo uspešno sodelujemo. Danes nas bodo pozdravili rektorica Univerze na Reki, prof. Snježana Prijić Samaržija in prorektor Univerze v Gradcu prof. Peter Scherrer.

Izjemno smo veseli, da je z nami tudi prof. dr. Mario Poljak, ki je prejel priznanje za najboljšega mentorja leta 2016. Pozorno bomo poslušali o njegovi izkušnji odličnega mentoriranja.

Spoštovani, veselim se, da smo danes skupaj in da bomo nazdravili deseti obletnici delovanja Doktorske šole Univerze v Ljubljani in našem dobrem sodelovanju.

Preden bom zaprosila uvodne govorce za njihove cenjene nastope, bi se rada zahvalila tem, ki so nam omogočili, da danes slavimo. Lani je z nami bila prva predstojnica Doktorske šole UL, prof. dr. Katja Breskvar, kateri smo se zahvalili za to, da je zastavila okvir delovanja doktorske šole. Zahvala gre g. rektorju prof. Ivanu Svetliku, ki je v program delovanja zapisal in s podporo omogočil uresničevanje krepitve Doktorske šole UL. Ko sem prevzela vodenje Doktorske šole sem imela srečo, da sem dobila podporo odlične službe za doktorski študij. Danes bi se rada posebej zahvalila vodji službe za doktorski študij ge. Marjani Slobodnik. O pomenu strokovnih služb za delo Univerze na splošno in specifično na področju doktorskega študija so napisane knjige, katerih ugotovitve je potrebno poznati in spoštovati. Moja zahvale pa gre osebi, ki svoje strokovno delo opravlja z neizmerno energijo, zavzetostjo in od srca. Ga. Marjana Slobodnik bo pred našim naslednjim majskim srečanjem formalno zapustila službo za doktorski študij in bi ji se zato rada zahvalila že danes v vaši družbi in ob praznovanju, kateremu je veliko prispevala.

Prof. Aleksandra Kanjuo Mrčela

Predstojnica Doktorske šole Univerze v Ljubljani

V Ljubljani, 25.5.2017

The May conference of the Doctoral School UL 2017

Opening note of prof. Aleksandra Kanjuo Mrčela, Head of Doctoral School UL

Dear colleagues, dear guests,

Welcome to the May 2017 conference of Doctoral School of the University of Ljubljana.

This year's meeting is particularly solemn because the conference is organized to honour the tenth anniversary of the Doctoral School of the University of Ljubljana. We have reasons to celebrate. Doctoral study at the University of Ljubljana is something we can be proud of. The good performance was not caused by the launch of the doctoral school ten years ago, but vice versa - the assessment of the high importance of the research and training of doctoral students has led to the decision under the then leadership of the Rector prof. Andreja Kocijančič to establish the Doctoral school as a new instrument for more systematic care for excellence in doctoral studies. That is the purpose of the Doctoral School UL - to promote the best ways of organizing of doctoral studies, to contribute to the achievement of good material and other conditions for research, to trigger discussion within and outside the university on issues concerning doctoral studies and intensive communication with other universities and other institutions relevant in the field of doctoral studies in Slovenia, Europe and the world. In the last decade we are in a process of changing. Doctoral studies at the University of Ljubljana are today more than a decade ago characterized by interdisciplinary approach and integration, transparency of procedures and uniformity of standards in all doctoral programs. Roles of those who are active in doctoral studies are better defined and we take more systematically than before care of the course of research work within the framework of doctoral studies and of doctoral students' involvement in high quality research environments at home and abroad.

One of the most important institutions, which have largely marked the work of Doctoral Schools UL is the European University Association Council for Doctoral Education. Council's guidelines and close collaboration with the Council significantly influenced improvements that have been introduced over the last decade in the organization of doctoral studies at UL. We are pleased that we have with us today the new head of the Council Mr. David Oliva Uribe who will speak about the current challenges and the future of doctoral education in Europe. We are proud that this year we were selected to host the Annual meeting of the Council of June 2018, when we will be centre of the discussions on the state and perspectives of doctoral education in Europe.

Our university is very much embedded in the European and global higher education arena. Such integration is needed in times of globalization and digitalisation of research and study. There is an urgent need to jointly address the issues of the evolving meaning of doctoral study and research for doctoral students and for the society. Going beyond the positioning of doctoral studies in the academic area and proliferation of diverse career paths for young researchers and holders of doctoral titles, the necessity of interdisciplinary and international distinctive approach in addressing the challenges we face in the modern world, the question of appropriate funding and use of results of research of doctoral students - are only some of the questions to which we will jointly find better answers.

Our today's meeting is an opportunity for reflection and debate on how doctoral studies could be further improved based on good practice at our university and in other academic environments. We are currently concluding a debate on the rules of doctoral studies at UL. In the debate on concrete solutions and articles of this document we address the question of the nature and purpose of doctoral studies and relations, which are created within it - between candidates and those who in various roles help them as well as between the university and its environment. Today' conference is certainly an opportunity to talk about these topics.

University of Ljubljana cooperates with institutions from around the world, but we find particularly important and we particularly cherish cooperation with universities from countries that are culturally and geographically close to us..

We are therefore very pleased that we have the pleasure to host at today's celebration colleagues from two universities with which we have long and successful cooperation. Today we will be addressed by the Rector of the University of Rijeka prof. Snježana Prijić Samaržija and vice-rector of the University of Graz prof. Peter Scherrer.

We are extremely pleased that we have with us today prof. Mario Poljak, who received the award for the best mentor in 2016. We will carefully listen to his excellent mentoring experience.

Dear ladies and gentlemen, I am looking forward to us toasting the tenth anniversary of the Doctoral School of the University of Ljubljana and our good cooperation.

Before I requested the introductory speakers for their distinguished addresses, I would like to thank those who have enabled us to celebrate today. Last year, the first Head of the Doctoral School UL, prof. Katja Breskvar was with us. We thanked her for setting the framework for the functioning of the doctoral school. Thanks go to the Rector, prof. Ivan Svetlik who placed the strengthening of the Doctoral School UL in the working programme and supported it in practice. When I took over the management of Doctoral School I was lucky that I got excellent support of the office for doctoral studies. Today I would like to especially thank the head of the doctoral studies office Ms Marjana Slobodnik. There are books written on the importance of professional services for the work of the University in general and specifically in the field of doctoral study. We should be aware of the findings of these books and take them into account. My gratitude today goes to the person who carries out her professional work with immense energy and passion, and from the heart. Ms Marjana Slobodnik will formally leave the office for doctoral studies before our next meeting in May 2018 and that is why I would like to thank her today in your company and at the celebration which she importantly helped to happen.

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