

Press release from the visit of the Professors of the Viseu Higher School of Health of the Polytechnic Institute of Viseu, Portugal at the Nursing Department of the University of Peloponnese

Professors of the Viseu Higher School of Health of the Polytechnic Institute of Viseu, Portugal, met with the **Rector of the University of the Peloponnese, Professor Mr. Athanasios Katsis**, on Friday, 26 April 2024, at the Rector's Office in Tripoli. During their meeting, in the framework of Erasmus Academic Mobility, both parties exchanged views on the topic of innovative teaching experiences in European higher education. The discussion focused on the actions of the EUNICE European University.

The Rector thanked the guests for their kind cooperation with the Department of Nursing of the University of the Peloponnese, as well as those who ensured the successful outcome of this project.

He also emphasized that such collaborations open new channels of communication with universities from abroad, contributing significantly to the extroversion, with significant benefits to society.

More specifically, the delegation of five scientists from the Polytechnic Institute of Viseu (Portugal), a partner institution in the EUNICE European University Alliance, consisted of:

- Professor Susana Marisa Loureiro Pais Batista (Scientific Area: Rehabilitation Nursing)
- Professor Luis Miguel Pereira Condeço (Scientific Area: Child and Adolescent Nursing)
- Professor Manuel Pereira Cordeiro (Scientific Area: Child and Adolescent Nursing)
- Professor Emília de Carvalho Coutinho (Scientific Area: Maternal, Obstetric and Gynecological Nursing)
- Dr Paula Cristina Dias Rocha (Researcher Specialisation in Rehabilitation Nursing)

The professors stayed in Tripoli for the entire week from April 22 to 26, 2024. During their stay, they gave lectures to the students of the Department of Nursing of the University of the Peloponnese, presenting their research work, as well as the benefits of mobility and cooperation of two Institutions through the actions of the European University EUNICE.

Specifically, their lectures were informative and were held in the main auditorium of the Nursing Department with the presence of teaching staff members and students. The lectures mainly concerned the application of nursing rehabilitation with the contribution of mentoring, as well as the child's pediatric health. The professors from Portugal, through their wider scientific work, inspired the students of the Nursing

Department, who actively participated in their lectures and offered them a wonderful experience that brought them all closer together!

During their stay, they visited the laboratory of the Nursing School of the University of the Peloponnese as well as the clinics of the Panarkadian Hospital of Tripoli. Finally, they were explored some of sightseeing destinations of the Peloponnese.

The professors, after thanking for the welcome and hospitality, left with the best impressions, promising that they will soon organize another visit, this time, to their facilities at the Polytechnic Institute of Viseu in Portugal.

The meeting was organized by Mrs. Paraskevi Chaida, Deputy Head of the Department of International Relations, whose work is supported by the **Vice Rector of Administrative Affairs for International Relations & Outreach, Professor Mrs. Euthalia (Elia) Chatzigianni.**