ECTS as a label for excellence

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- 8,000 students
- 13 bachelor degrees
- 7 bachelor after bachelor degrees
- 4 departments – campusses
  - Teacher Training (Heverlee and Diest)
  - Business Administration and Management (Heverlee)
  - Health and Technology (Gasthuisberg)
  - School of Social Work (Heverlee)
- 725 members of staff
Bachelor degrees

**Teacher Training**
pre-primary schoolteacher
primary schoolteacher
lower-secondary schoolteacher

**Business and Management Studies**
Business Management
option Accountancy & fiscal Studies
option Finance & Insurance
option Marketing
Option Legal Practice

Office Management
option in Business Translation - Interpreting
option in Management Assistance
option in Medical Management Assistance

**Health Care and Technology**
Biomedical Laboratory Technology
Nutrition and Dietetics
Applied Information Technology
Chemistry
Nursing
Midwifery

**Social Work and Welfare Studies**
Social work – Community Studies
Social Readaptation Sciences
Characteristics

• 180 ECTS bachelor programmes
• Profession-oriented competences
• 93% of alumni have a job
• Vicinity of Leuven University
• Close to Brussels
Flanders (Belgium)
Regional = International

• 17% of alumni has studied abroad

• International competences for regional development

• Strategic partnerships, also via ECTS label

Important in European programmes 2014-2020:
• Strategic Partnerships with institutions
• Knowledge Alliances with businesses
ECTS label

• European Credit (Course) Transfer System

• To support international cooperation within Europe

• Focus on Quality Assurance within the institution
Results?

- **European Bachelor in Business Management**
  - IBA Kolding (Denmark)
  - UAB Barcelona (Spain)
  - ESC Rennes School of Business (France)
  - Coventry University (UK)
  - London South Bank University (UK)
  - Worcester Business School (UK)

- **Distinctive Feature for Internationalisation**
  (by international accreditation agency)
Results?

- Recognition of Prior Learning
- Upgrade of employees
- Lifelong Learning in reality
Research for regional development

- Practice-oriented research...
- for regional development...
- with international partners...
- and incorporated in the educational process.
Research for regional development

Our practice-oriented research deals with various topics and is invariably interdisciplinary.

Healthy Ageing
• Centre for Social and Co-operative Entrepreneurship (CESOC)
• Training for health care workers
• IT and the health sector

Food
• Analysis of the fermentation process
• Malnutrition

Global citizenship
• Centre for International Cooperation North South (ICoNS)

Education & Training

Marketing and business development

Science communication
dr. Klaas Vansteenhuyse
head International Office

chair of Working Group on LLL & Employability of Eurashe
co-chair of Steering Committee Internationalisation Association KU Leuven

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