

WHAT GOVERNMENT ARE DOING

THE BULGARIAN CASE

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DIRECT SUPPORT

- BGN 100 mln./EUR 50 mln.
- Stipends
- Contracts
- Exemption from paying fees
 - Certain groups
 - Certain areas
- State guaranteed Loans
- Canteens, dormitories, transport and sport subsidies
- Ensured physical access

INDIRECT SUPPORT

- Setting the framework
- Strategy for Higher Education Development 2021 – 2030
- Legislative changes /also in terms of the COVID-19 crisis/
- National map of the Higher Education System
- Contracts with the public universities' rectors
- 3 national programs
 - competences-based approach
 - use of the innovative technologies
 - electronically based platform
 - direct investment in the academic staff

THE BULGARIAN UNIVERSITY RANKING SYSTEM

- Created in 2010
- Comprehensive database
- Reliable sources of information
- Different indicators – both objective and subjective
- Used for policy-making at different levels
- Available in Bulgarian and English

<https://rsvu.mon.bg/rsvu4/#/>

NEW INITIATIVES

1. Development of indicators for assessment of the quality of higher education, related to the access for students from vulnerable groups and on the quality of the learning process for these students.
2. Legislative changes concerning the Credit Transfer and Accumulation System use and the introduction of validation of prior learning and microcredentials in the Higher Education practise.
3. Training of Quality Assurance experts and University staff.
4. Preparation of Guidelines and Policy paper (recommendations) for social inclusion of all students, especially for those from vulnerable groups.

THE AIMS

- ✓ To support the academic staff
- ✓ To support the administrative staff
- ✓ To support the students
- ✓ To encourage the candidate students and their parents
- ✓ To involve the employers, the social partners and the NGOs
- ✓ To contribute to the societal development
- ✓ To ensure working links and raise the level of mutual understanding
- ✓ To support and collaborate with the other institution in the Higher Education sector



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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