

**Invitation
International Week****Empowering Higher Education: The Synergy of Research, Development, and Education
LAB University of Applied Sciences, Lappeenranta, Finland 9.-13.10.2023**

Dear partner of LAB University of Applied Sciences,

It is our pleasure to invite your teaching and non-teaching staff to participate our International Week. We would like to invite guest lecturers from our partner institutions to participate and share their expertise to LAB students and join like-minded colleagues in October 2023. We wish to welcome you to experience a colorful autumn in Finland and get to know our university better!

This year the theme of our international week is inspired by RDI integration into education:
Empowering Higher Education: The Synergy of Research, Development, and Education

RDI integration equips students with the tools they need to thrive in a rapidly changing world. Together, let's revolutionize education and shape a future where innovative learning, powered by RDI, paves the way for success. By seamlessly integrating research and development practices into the educational fabric, students are equipped with the tools to become proactive contributors to knowledge creation, preparing them for the challenges of the future. Step into a world of higher education excellence where we are dedicated to building tomorrow's leaders through the integration of RDI. By seamlessly merging cutting-edge research, dynamic development practices, and innovative educational strategies, we empower students to become visionary thinkers, problem solvers, and change agents. Prepare your students for success by offering them a holistic educational experience that combines theory and practice, fosters creativity, and nurtures their leadership potential. (We have used latest AI tools here as the text is generated by ChatGPT 4)

International Week is ideal for leaders, teachers and administrative staff in higher education. The participation of teachers and non-teaching staff can be combined with existing exchange programs and their funding criteria. If you are a lecturer, we look forward to you bringing your expertise to the teaching sessions on the international week. The topics of lectures are to be connected to some of the fields at LAB: Technology, Business Administration, Tourism and Hospitality, Design and Arts, Health Care and Social Services or Languages and Intercultural Communication.

International week is subject to charge: 200 euros participation fee. NOTE! Free of charge for participants teaching during the international week.

Participants are expected to cover their travel and accommodation expenses. The international week can be included in the Erasmus+ programme.

We are welcoming you and your colleagues to join our week!

International Week Organizing Team

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