

TEMPUS – A Way of Introducing New University Programmes in Transitional Countries

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SUMMARY

The need for educating experts in land management in transitional countries has been an urgent issue since the fall of the communist system and the following introduction of market economy. The Royal Institute of Technology (KTH) in Stockholm has through the Dept. of Real Estate Planning and Land Law since 1996 had a master programme in this field, where now more than 400 students have been educated. As a continuation of this programme the department has engaged in development of university programmes in former Soviet Union and the Balkans (former Yugoslavia). This took first place as special programmes financed by Sida but is now mainly done through Tempus, an EU financed programme. The condition for starting a Tempus programme is that it should be at least two EU-universities on one side and one or more universities in the partner country/countries. The programmes, that aim to introduce new curricula, provide with equipment and educate teachers for new courses, are financed by EU and are running during a two-year period.

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