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I attended the fifth edition of the International Master "European Project Planning and Management".

My goals and objectives were achieved during the Master, which were to get knowledge on EU funding opportunities and their applying methods.

After 2 months of classroom-based lectures, I started the 3 months internship in Innolabs Srl., Livorno, Italy. I got the valuable opportunity to work with professional experts in EU funding program opportunities as well as to turn my theoretical knowledge into the practice. The professional team was always very attentive and they were always involving me in all activities. Under the guidance of my supervisor, I participated on follow up of the ongoing projects, I also attended partners kick of meetings as well meetings aimed for reporting on the project's deliverable. Besides the ongoing projects, I actively participated in the design and

development of the new project ideas and proposal writing for these projects. The presented projects were, mainly, in the framework of Horizon 2020 and ENI CBC Med Program. During the Internship program, I developed my negotiation skills, enlarged my network, by enriching it with mainly international contacts and future projects partners.

The internship experience served as the basis for my further career development and the decision to move from my native country Armenia to Italy for a long period. After a successful 3-month internship program in Innolabs srl I got an offer from my supervisor to continue the collaboration. The accumulated one year experience in the field of EU project writing and management enriched my curriculum.

Currently, I am working as EU Funded Projects Consultant in an Italian company named Novareckon Srl based in Novara. I am in charge of designing the project idea, identifying the right funding programs and matching calls, identifying strategic objectives and assessing the consistency of the project idea with the requirements of the call, searching national and international partners and managing relationships with them, designing the budget, as well as the Gantt and Pert diagrams for the projects, managing contractual procedures, project development and monitoring.

Summing up, the Master served as huge input in my further career growth, development and life itself.