



I Workshop on Internationalization of Higher Education. Universidad de Oriente, Santiago De Cuba, May 2, 2018

The internationalization of Higher Education is currently one of the strategic priorities of contemporary universities as well as contribute to raising and / or consolidating the quality of key university processes. In the context, it was convened by the Vice-Rector for Institutional Relations (VRR) and the International Relations Office (DRI) of the Universidad de Oriente, the First Workshop on the Internationalization of Higher Education, which It was held at the Amphitheater 1B of the "Julio Antonio Mella" Headquarters on May 2, 2018, and was attended by a total of 70 participants (19 of them as speakers).

The main objective of the workshop was to contribute to the quality of the integration of the international dimension in the university processes (teachers, research and services, among others), allowing to socialize the partial results obtained by the Universidad de Oriente during the development of the Project of Strengthening Internationalization between European and Latin American Universities (FORINT), co-funded by the Erasmus + Program of the European Union.

In the opening session, it was indicated that one of the proposals of the workshop is to be the space par excellence for the debate and reflection addressed to the entire university community. It is expected to constitute a territorial event that summons specialists from other national universities so that the Universidad de Oriente ratifies its status as a reference and academic leader in the country, in this case in terms of the methodological and administrative approach of international university relations.

The central theme of the workshop was "The internationalization of Higher Education from the experiences of the UO. Past, present and future ", where the main results obtained in 2017 were presented in terms of international agreements, projects and networks, as well as in relation to the donations obtained, the behavior of the scholarships and those related to foreign scholars. In a general sense, a balance was made of the behavior of each of the variables referred to during the past year, comparing them with the previous periods, and emphasizing the weaknesses and projections of the work for 2018.

The Director of International Relations was in charge of closing the Panel, referring to the results obtained so far by the Project to Strengthen Internationalization between European and Latin American Universities (FORINT), co-funded by the Erasmus + Program of the European Union in the Universidad de Oriente, as well as informed about the work projections for 2018.

The Director of International Relations indicates the importance of the characterization of the CUMs and from there start to make viable projects and other international collaboration actions.



Likewise, papers were presented indicating the different internationalization actions carried out, giving evidence of which constitute the forms and methods to be inserted in current and pertinent research, in correspondence with the lines designed worldwide.

