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Internationalisation of Slovenian Higher Education

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Strategic and legislative arrangements

- ▮ Resolution on the National Higher Education Programme higher education strategy 2011-2020

http://www.mizs.gov.si/fileadmin/mizs.gov.si/pageuploads/ANG/Resolution_on_the_National_Higher_Education_Programme_2011_2020.pdf

- ▮ Higher Education Act, 2016
- ▮ Strategy for the Internationalisation of Slovenian Higher education 2016 - 2020

http://www.mizs.gov.si/fileadmin/mizs.gov.si/pageuploads/razpisi/Visoko_solstvo/Internacionalizacija_VS_2013/Strategija_internacionalizacije_slovenskega_visokega_solstva_ENG_2016-2020_WEB.pdf



Strategic priority areas

- ▮ HE system and structure of studies
- ▮ Funding system
- ▮ Diversification of HEIs
- ▮ Quality
- ▮ Internationalisation of HE
- ▮ Social dimension



Internationalisation of HE

- ▮ Internationalisation as one of four pillars of HE system (the others being diversification of HEIs, quality and social dimension)
- ▮ **Internationalisation as an instrument for improving quality of HE**
- ▮ Five benchmarks: 20% of mobile graduates, 10% foreign degree students, 20% of doctoral students in international joint programmes, 10% foreign teachers, staff and researchers, doubling funds from international research projects
- ▮ Eleven measures: national and institutional internationalisation strategies, mobility within WB region as example of good practice, targeted support for inward and outward student mobility, teaching in foreign languages, flexible recognition of education acquired abroad etc.



Language of instruction

Article 8

(Language of instruction)

The language of instruction shall be Slovenian.

Higher education institutions may provide study programmes or parts thereof in a foreign language under the conditions laid down by their statutes.

If a higher education institution provides a public service, the following may be provided in a foreign language:

- foreign-language study programmes,
- parts of study programmes if visiting higher education teachers from other countries participate in the provision thereof or a large number of foreign students is enrolled therein,
- study programmes if such programmes are also provided in Slovenian at the higher education institution.

Higher education institutions shall ensure the development of Slovenian as a professional and scientific language.

Foreign citizens and Slovenians without Slovenian citizenship shall be enabled to learn Slovenian.

The minister responsible for higher education shall define the detailed method of ensuring the development and learning of Slovenian.



Priorities of HE internationalisation strategy

- ▮ Mobility
- ▮ Quality international scientific, research and development cooperation
- ▮ Development of intercultural competences of students and academic staff
- ▮ Targeting priority regions and countries
- ▮ Promotion, support and monitoring of internationalisation strategy



Implementation of the HE internationalisation strategy

Action plan 2016 - 2018: 25 objectives, more than 50 measures worth approx. **57 million EUR** (including approx. 18 million EUR for international scientific, research and development cooperation)

Interim evaluation in 2018

Action plan 2018 -2020:25 objectives worth approx. 40 million EUR (including approx. 13 million EUR for international scientific, research and development cooperation)



Cohesion funds for internationalisation of HE

2004 - 2006

support for implementation of Bologna reform and QA system

2007 - 2013

10,5% or **4.471.747 EUR** for internationalisation

2014 - 2020

26,5% or **11.154.313 EUR** for internationalisation



National funds for internationalisation of HE

2016

1.052.400 EUR for national tender for improving the process of internationalisation of HE

Support for mobility (info point for Slovene and foreign mobile students and staff, Slovenian language courses for foreign students and teachers, info days and preparatory module for foreign students, targeted activities for migrants and refugees...) and support for IaH (preparation of courses / modules / programmes in foreign languages, training of Slovene HE teachers for teaching in international classrooms and development of multicultural competences of foreign and domestic students ...)

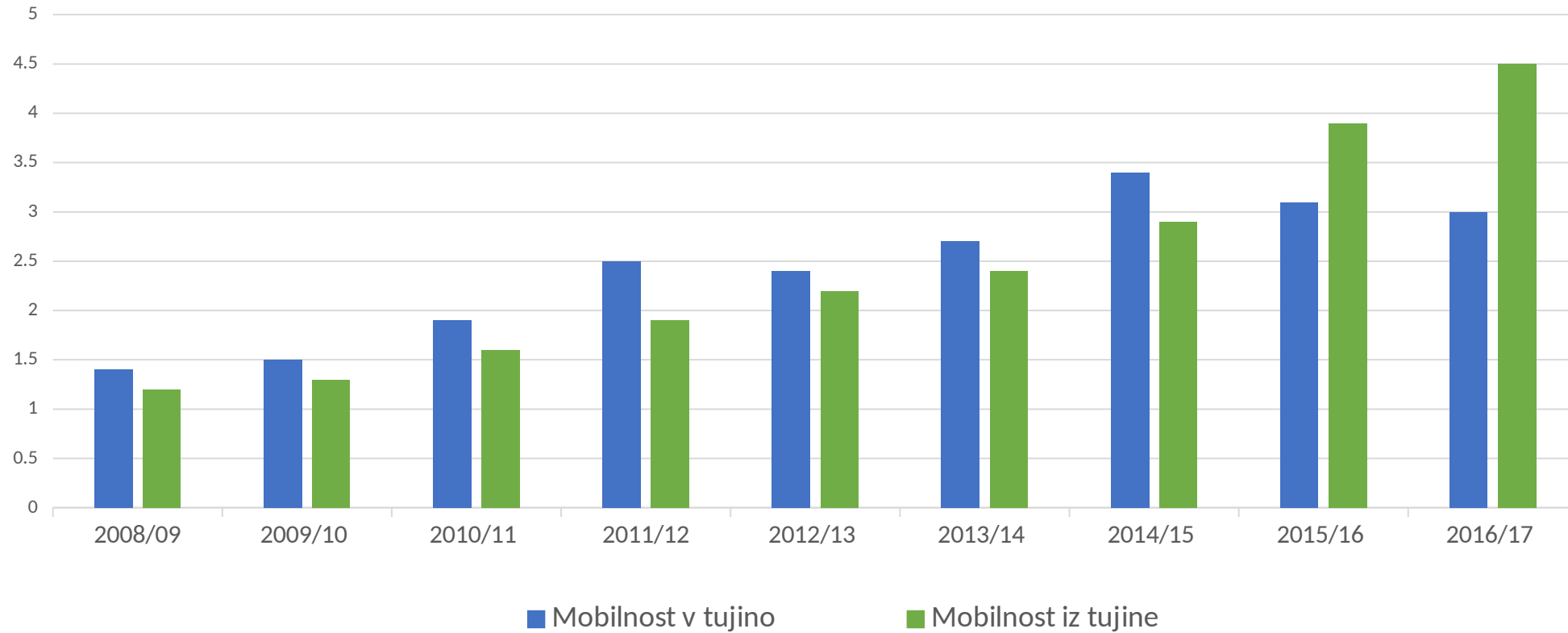
2018 - 2020

2,5% or 20.013.083 EUR of public funding for pedagogical process at HEIs for development pillar

Strategic development priority: long-term development of study programmes in three areas, i.e. quality, internationalisation and cooperation with environment

Credit mobility

Number of students on short-term mobility as % of total student population



(Vir: CMEPIUS, MIZŠ, SURS)



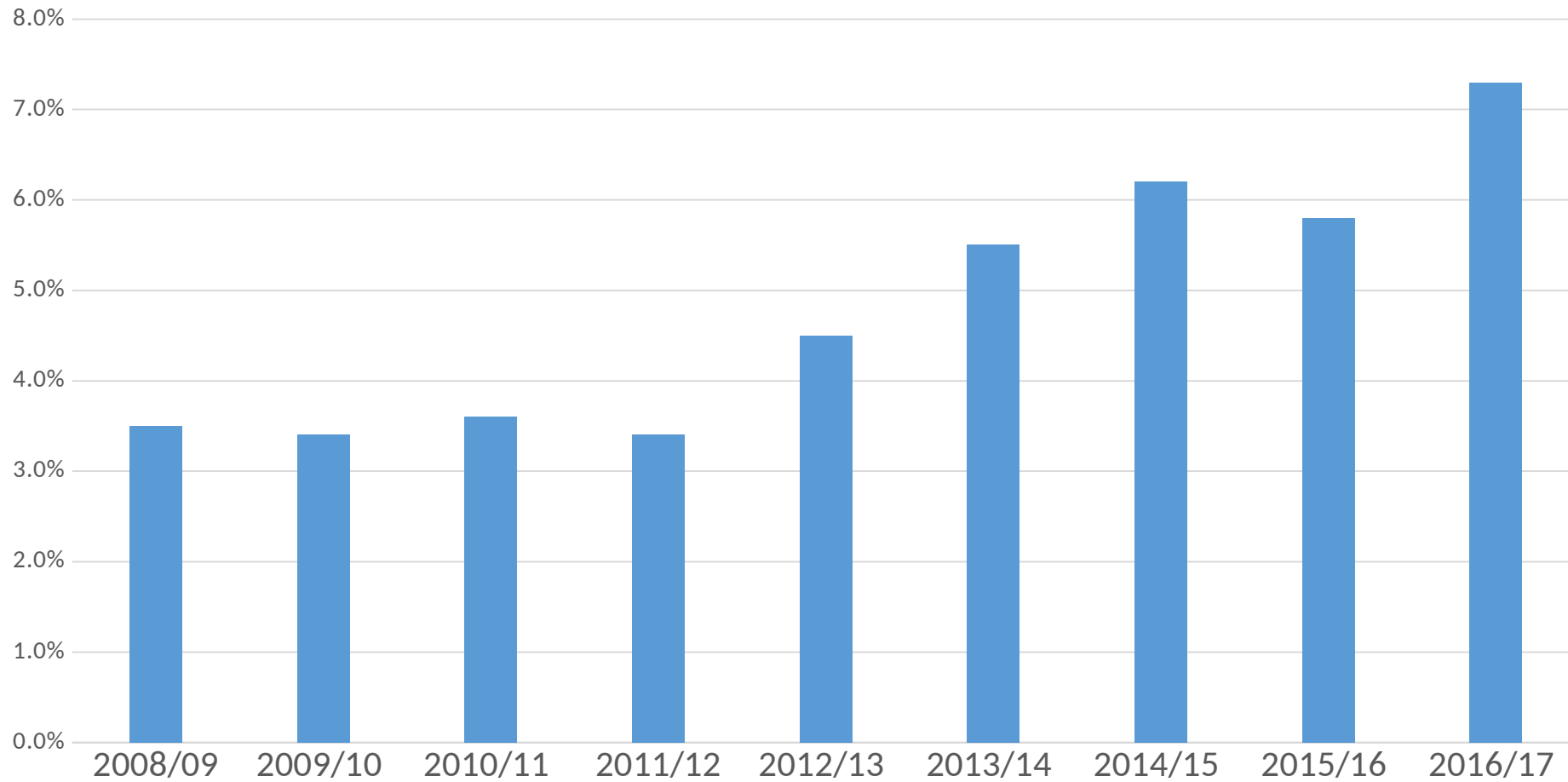
Degree mobility

Number of foreign degree students as % of total student

	all	foreign	%
2012/2013	86.173	2.962	3,44
2013/2014	79.327	2.970	3,74
2014/2015	74.103	3.128	4,22
2015/2016	69.811	3.792	5,43
2016/2017	68.731	4.318	6,28
2017/2018	66.325	4.987	7,52
2018/2019	65.640	5.522	8,41
2019/2020	66.201	6504	9,80%

Mobility of HE staff

Number of mobile HE staff as % of total HE staff



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