

# Monthly Diary

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### Meeting with the British Ambassador to Albania Mr. Alastair King-Smith

At the meeting, the University of Elbasan, the British Embassy in Albania, and British higher education institutions explored opportunities for enhanced collaboration. The university's rector emphasized the significance of advancing higher education by establishing concrete partnerships, such as joint programs, project participation, open lectures by British experts, greater academic mobility, and changing young people's views on immigration. During his visit, Mr. King-Smith also met with students to discuss matters pertaining to their academic growth and development.

### Theatre premiere "Profesionisti"



During the premiere of "Professionist," the University of Elbasan hosted special guests, including director Leka Bungo and actors Viktor Zhusti and Astrit Hasani. They engaged with students and lecturers by discussing the premiere's values, their personal experiences with their roles, the relationship between artists and the public, and the challenges facing Albanian theater and film. Additionally, they emphasized the importance of including Albanian dramaturgy in educational curricula as a significant cultural and social asset. They urged younger generations to show interest and appreciation to ensure its continuation and prevent it from being forgotten. The guests also highlighted the various artists whose creativity brought many characters to life.

### Gymnasium "Dhaskal Todri" në UE



The "Dhaskal Todri" gymnasium students were invited by the University of Elbasan to participate in an open lesson as part of their Career Counseling course. The meeting was attended by representatives from the Career and Alumni Counseling office, who provided the students with a deeper understanding of the university's facilities. In addition to the open lesson, the students had the opportunity to learn more about the university through this event.



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"Forum: "Disappearance of people under the communist regime"

The University of Elbasan collaborated with the OSCE Presence in Albania to host a forum for students on the topic of disappeared individuals during the communist regime in Albania. During the event, the vice-rector of the University, Prof. Dr. Elvira Fetahu, highlighted the significance of cooperation and organizing activities that aim to enhance not only academic quality, but also students' awareness of concepts, perspectives, and studies that contribute to their theoretical, practical, and cultural development. By becoming well-rounded messengers of future change, students can continuously grow their knowledge and contribute to the betterment of society.

## The Language Implementation Agency of RNM



In observance of International Mother Language Day, the Language Implementation Agency of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in partnership with the University of Elbasan, organized a round table event focused on the current challenges facing the Albanian language and its standard use in official settings. This scientific roundtable was attended by dignitaries and representatives from various institutions in Albania, Kosovo, and North Macedonia. Dr. Aurela Basha, the deputy dean of the Faculty of Human Sciences, represented the University of Elbasan and contributed to the event by delivering a lecture.

# SPINAKER-Heritage project



The University of Elbasan organized a presentation for its students on the SPINAKER-Heritage, Art, and Business Intensive Programme. The project head, Mrs. Justyna Dabrowska, a lecturer at the University of Economics in Kraków, Poland, highlighted the academic and cultural benefits that this project offers to students from various study programs. The primary goal of the project is to enhance the level of internationalization at the university and improve the quality of its international educational programs by incorporating elements of Polish cultural heritage and art.

