

## EXCERPT FROM THE DECISIONS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

### Protocol No. 29 of 13 October 2025

**regarding** the update of the budget of the Medical University of Varna for 2025

The Academic Council approves the update of the budget of the Medical University of Varna for 2025 by paragraphs and activities of the Unified Budget Classification, as follows:

1. Increase in revenues, grants, donations, and transfers by BGN 126,873, in accordance with *Appendix 1*.
2. Increase in expenditures by BGN 126,873, in accordance with *Appendix 1*.

**regarding** one-time additional remuneration of the employees of the Medical University – Varna

The Academic Council approves the update of the budget of the Medical University – Varna for 2025 by paragraphs and activities of the Unified Budget Classification, as follows:

- Increase in revenues, grants, and donations by BGN 1,000,000, in accordance with *Appendix 1*.
- Increase in expenditures by BGN 1,000,000, in accordance with *Appendix 1*.

**regarding** the signing of cooperation agreements between the Medical University “Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov” – Varna and the following companies: Software Company Ltd., Apistim Nutrition Ltd., and Zelanos Winery.

The Academic Council decided that the Medical University of Varna shall conclude cooperation agreements with:

- “Software Company” Ltd.
- “Apistim Nutrition” Ltd.
- Zelanos Winery

**regarding** the appointment of commissions and working groups for the preparation of the required documentation for institutional accreditation and the distance learning environment at the Medical University – Varna

The Academic Council decided that the necessary documentation for the institutional accreditation and the distance learning environment at the Medical University – Varna shall be prepared by commissions and working groups as follows:

#### **1. Commission for preparing the required documentation for the institutional accreditation of the Medical University – Varna**

**Chair:** Prof. Todorka Kostadinova, PhD – Director, Directorate “Accreditation, Quality and Project Activities”

**Members:**

1. Prof. Albena Kerekovska, MD, PhD – Vice-Rector “Academic Affairs”
2. Prof. Maria Negreva, MD, PhD, DSc – Vice-Rector “Career Development”
3. Prof. Violeta Iotova, MD, PhD, DSc – Vice-Rector “Science and Research”
4. Prof. Mario Milkov, MD, PhD – Vice-Rector “International Cooperation”
5. Prof. Nikola Kolev, MD, PhD – Vice-Rector “Postgraduate Education”
6. Eng. Deyan Grancharov, PhD – Assistant Rector
7. Prof. Yoto Yotov, MD, PhD – Dean of the Faculty of Medicine

8. Assoc. Prof. Mariya Dimova-Mileva, MD, PhD – Vice-Dean "Educational Affairs, Accreditation and Quality", Faculty of Medicine
9. Prof. Stefan Peev, MD, PhD, DSc – Dean of the Faculty of Dental Medicine
10. Assoc. Prof. Miglena Balcheva-Eneva, MD, PhD – Vice-Dean for Accreditation, Academic and Research Activities, Faculty of Dental Medicine
11. Prof. Svetlana Fotkova, MScBiotech, PhD – Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy
12. Assoc. Prof. Anna Todorova, MScPharm – Vice-Dean "Educational Affairs, Accreditation and Quality", Faculty of Pharmacy
13. Prof. Teodora Dimitrova, MD, PhD – Dean of the Faculty of Public Health
14. Assoc. Prof. Eliyana Ivanova, MD, PhD – Vice-Dean "Educational Affairs, Accreditation and Quality", Faculty of Public Health
15. Prof. Antoaneta Tsvetkova, MD, PhD – Director of the Medical College of Varna
16. Prof. Emilia Georgieva, PhD – Deputy Director "Career Development, Quality and Accreditation", Medical College of Varna
17. Assoc. Prof. Teodora Evtimova, PhD – Director of the Shumen Affiliate
18. Prof. Ivan Alexandrov, DSc (Psychology) – Director of the Sliven Affiliate
19. Assoc. Prof. Vesela Lyubenova, MD, PhD – Director of the Veliko Tarnovo Affiliate
20. Virginia Benzarova – Director, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
21. Dilyana Yordanova – Legal Adviser, Legal Department
22. Simona Kalcheva-Uzunova – Head of Quality Management and Accreditation Department
23. Svetlana Grancharova – Head of Academic Affairs Department
24. Tsvetan Ivanov – Head of Information and Communication Technologies Department
25. Irena Georgieva – Head of department "School for PhD students"
26. Maria Ivanova – Head of Postgraduate Education Department
27. Kalina Stoyanova – Head of Financial and Accounting Department
28. Lyudmila Boyarova – Head of Human Resources Department
29. Zhaneta Radkova – Head of Publishing Department
30. Vanya Dimitrova – Head of Career Development Department
31. Rumyana Radeva – Director, Library
32. Prof. Desislava Vankova, MD, PhD, DSc – Head of Academic Organisation for Clinical Trials Department
33. Velina Markovska – Head of Communications and Television Department
34. Assoc. Prof. Aneta Dokova, PhD – Head of International Relations Department
35. Nina Kulikova – Head of Property Management Department
36. Veneta Sabkova – Head of Administrative Department
37. Maria Georgieva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
38. Neli Todorova – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
39. Mariana Popova – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
40. Teodora Ruseva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department

## **2. Commission for preparing the required documentation for assessment of the distance learning environment at the Medical University of Varna**

**Chair:** Prof. Todorka Kostadinova, PhD – Director, Directorate “Accreditation, Quality and Project Activities”

### **Members:**

Prof. Albena Kerekovska, MD, PhD – Vice-Rector “Academic Affairs”

Prof. Maria Negreva, MD, PhD, DSc – Vice-Rector “Career Development”

Prof. Violeta Iotova, MD, PhD, DSc – Vice-Rector “Science and Research”

Prof. Mario Milkov, MD, PhD – Vice-Rector “International Cooperation”

Prof. Nikola Kolev, MD, PhD – Vice-Rector “Postgraduate Education”

Eng. Deyan Grancharov, PhD – Assistant Rector

Virginia Benzarova – Director, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning

Prof. Klara Dokova, MD, PhD – Department of Social Medicine and Healthcare Organisation, Faculty of Public Health

Assoc. Prof. Iliana Doykova, PhD – Director, Department of Foreign Language Teaching and Sports  
Svetlana Grancharova – Head of Academic Affairs Department  
Tsvetan Ivanov – Head of Information and Communication Technologies Department  
Nina Kulikova – Head of Property Management Department  
Kalina Stoyanova – Head of Financial and Accounting Department

Lyudmila Boyarova – Head of Human Resources Department  
Zhaneta Radkova – Head of Publishing Department  
Simona Kalcheva-Uzunova – Head of Quality Management and Accreditation Department  
Maria Ivanova – Head of Postgraduate Education Department  
Rumyana Radeva – Director, Library  
Dilyana Yordanova – Legal Adviser, Legal Department  
Nikolay Dragnev – System Administrator, International Center for E-learning and Distance Education  
Teodora Ruseva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department  
Maria Georgieva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department  
Neli Todorova – Organiser, Quality Management and Accreditation Department  
Mariana Popova – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department

### **3. Working groups for preparing the documentation for institutional accreditation and the distance learning environment**

#### **Standard 1. Quality Assurance Policy**

**Responsible person:** Prof. Todorka Kostadinova, PhD – Director, Directorate “Accreditation, Quality and Project Activities”

#### **Members:**

1. Prof. Teodora Dimitrova, MD, PhD – Dean, Faculty of Public Health
2. Assoc. Prof. Miglena Balcheva-Eneva, MD, PhD – Vice-Dean for Accreditation, Academic and Research Activities, Faculty of Dental Medicine
3. Assoc. Prof. Anna Hristova Todorova, MScPharm – Head, Department of Organization and Economics of Pharmacy, Faculty of Pharmacy
4. Mariana Popova – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
5. Maria Georgieva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department

#### **Standard 5. Academic Staff**

**Responsible person:** Assoc. Prof. Stoyan Pavlov, MD, PhD – Head, Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, Faculty of Medicine

#### **Members:**

1. Assoc. Prof. Velichka Yordanova Andonova, Master of Pharmacy, PhD.– Head of Department of Pharmaceutical Technologies
2. Assoc. Prof. Stella Dragomanova, PharmD, PhD, MD – Department of Pharmacology, Toxicology and Pharmacotherapy, Faculty of Pharmacy
3. Lyudmila Boyarova – Head of Human Resources Department
4. Svetlana Grancharova – Head of Academic Affairs Department
5. Vanya Dimitrova – Head of Career Development Department
6. Sergey Glinkov – Bibliographic Information Specialist
7. Simona Kalcheva-Uzunova – Head of Quality Management and Accreditation Department
8. Teodora Ruseva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department

#### **Standard 6. Learning Resources and Student Support**

**Responsible person:** Assoc. Prof. Kalina Stoyanova-Pavlova, PhD (Biology) – Department of Infectious Diseases, Parasitology and Dermatovenereology, Faculty of Medicine

#### **Members:**

1. Prof. Emilia Georgieva, PhD – Programme “Medical Laboratory Technician,” Medical College – Varna

2. Assoc. Prof. Nadezhda Khvarchanova (Kyrkkeselyan), PhD – Department of Pharmacology, Toxicology and Pharmacotherapy, Faculty of Pharmacy
3. Romyana Radeva – Director, Library
4. Zhaneta Radkova – Head of Publishing Department
5. Nina Kulikova – Head of Property Management Department
6. Tsvetan Ivanov – Head of Information and Communication Technologies Department
7. Virginia Benzarova – Director, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
8. Mariana Popova – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
9. Neli Todorova – Organiser, Quality Management and Accreditation Department

### **Distance Learning Environment**

**Responsible person:** Assist. Tihomir Georgiev, PhD – Department of Medical Equipment, Electronics and Information Technologies in Healthcare, Faculty of Public Health

#### **Members:**

1. Prof. Klara Dokova, MD, PhD – Department of Social Medicine and Healthcare Organisation, Faculty of Public Health
2. Prof. Margreta Vasileva, PhD – Head, Department of Medical Equipment, Electronics and Information Technologies in Healthcare, Faculty of Public Health
3. Assoc. Prof. Eliyana Ivanova – Vice-Dean for Academic Affairs, Accreditation and Quality, Faculty of Public Health
4. Virginia Benzarova – Director, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
5. Nikolay Dragnev – System Administrator, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
6. Daniela Zandova – Expert, Training and Qualification – E-learning and Distance Learning, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
7. Siyana Aleksandrova – Organiser, Software Applications Training, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
8. Milena Dragneva – Expert, Training and Qualification, International Centre for E-Learning and Distance Learning
9. Teodora Ruseva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
10. Maria Georgieva – Expert, Quality Management and Accreditation Department
11. Neli Todorova – Organiser, Quality Management and Accreditation Department

**regarding** the approval of a training topic in the highly specialised activity (HSA) “Endovascular Vascular Surgery”

The Academic Council resolved:

1. To supplement the list of HSAs at MU–Varna with the following topic: “Endovascular Vascular Surgery,” with a training duration of three months, intended for individuals holding a recognised specialty in “Vascular Surgery” or “Imaging Diagnostics.”
2. To approve the training programme for the HSA “Endovascular Vascular Surgery.”
3. To approve a training fee of BGN 50 / EUR 25.56 per training day.
4. To approve a commission with the following composition:

**Chair:** Prof. Nikola Kolev, MD, DSc – Vice-Rector for Postgraduate Education

#### **Members:**

- Prof. Yoto Yotov, MD, PhD – Dean, Faculty of Medicine
- Prof. Zlatislav Stoyanov, MD, PhD, DSc – Department of Physiology and Pathophysiology

This commission shall review the documents for recognition of competence in the HSA “Endovascular Vascular Surgery” according to the approved criteria, pursuant to the Rules for the Organisation and Procedure for Conducting Training in Highly Specialised Activities (HSA) at MU–Varna.

**regarding** the update of the training programme for the highly specialised activity (HSA) “Video-Thoroscopic and Mediastinoscopic Surgery” and supplementing the HSA Nomenclature at MU–Varna in the section “for individuals with recognised specialty” for the respective HSA

The Academic Council decided:

1. To approve the updated training programme for the HSA “Video-Thoroscopic and Mediastinoscopic Surgery.”
2. To supplement the Nomenclature of the International Structural Units at MU-Varna, with line 19 acquiring the following wording:

| No. row | Highly specialized activity                   | Training period | For persons with a recognized specialty |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 19      | Videothoroscopic and mediastinoscopic surgery | 1 month         | Thoracic surgery, Surgery               |

**regarding** the signing of a cooperation agreement between the Medical University “Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov” – Varna and the “Victor Babes” University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara, Romania.

The Academic Council gives its consent for the conclusion of a bilateral agreement for academic cooperation between the Medical University “Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov” – Varna and the “Victor Babes” University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara, Romania.

**regarding** the conclusion of civil contracts with part-time lecturers for the winter semester of the academic year 2025/2026 for the Veliko Tarnovo Affiliate of the Medical University – Varna

The Academic Council decided that civil contracts shall be concluded for the winter semester of the academic year 2025/2026 with the following lecturers at the Veliko Tarnovo Affiliate of the Medical University – Varna:

**regarding** the adoption of an individual study plan in the educational and scientific degree “Doctor”

The Academic Council adopts the **Individual Study Plan** for the educational and scientific degree “Doctor” at the Medical University – Varna of **Deniz Erkut Kavaklı**, enrolled as a **full-time** doctoral student in the doctoral programme Nursing Care Management within the higher education field: 7. Healthcare and Sports, professional field 7.4 Public Health, with a dissertation topic entitled “Competencies of Nurses for the Implementation of Digital Tools and Artificial Intelligence in Nursing Care”, under the supervision of Assoc. Prof. Minko Milchev Milev, PhD, Department of Nursing Care, Shumen Affiliate.

**regarding the provision of sponsors and the approval of a sponsorship fee** for the “Black Sea Symposium for Young Scientists in Biomedicine,” 30 October – 2 November 2025

The Academic Council approves the conclusion of a sponsorship agreement with ACIBADEM Healthcare Group for the *Black Sea Symposium for Young Scientists in Biomedicine* 2025. The sponsorship amounts to BGN 1000 and includes the provision of an exhibition stand and the opportunity to deliver two non-promotional lectures.

The funds received in the account of the Medical University – Varna shall be used to cover the expenses related to the organisation of the symposium.

**Chair of the Academic Council:**

Prof. Dimitar Raikov, MD, PhD, DSc – Rector