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«GRaduates Advancement and Development of University capacities in Albania»

GRADUA Project



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- Almalaurea experience
- The *Graduates' Profile*: what is it?
- Sources we use
- The *Albanian Graduates' Profile Pilot Report*
- Main users
- Sustainability model

- created in 1998 (hard copy only)
- increase in the number of Italian Universities involved from 1998 to 2018

Around **75** Universities overall in Italy in 2018 (excluding online Universities)

of which included in the Graduates' Profile (in the last 20 years):

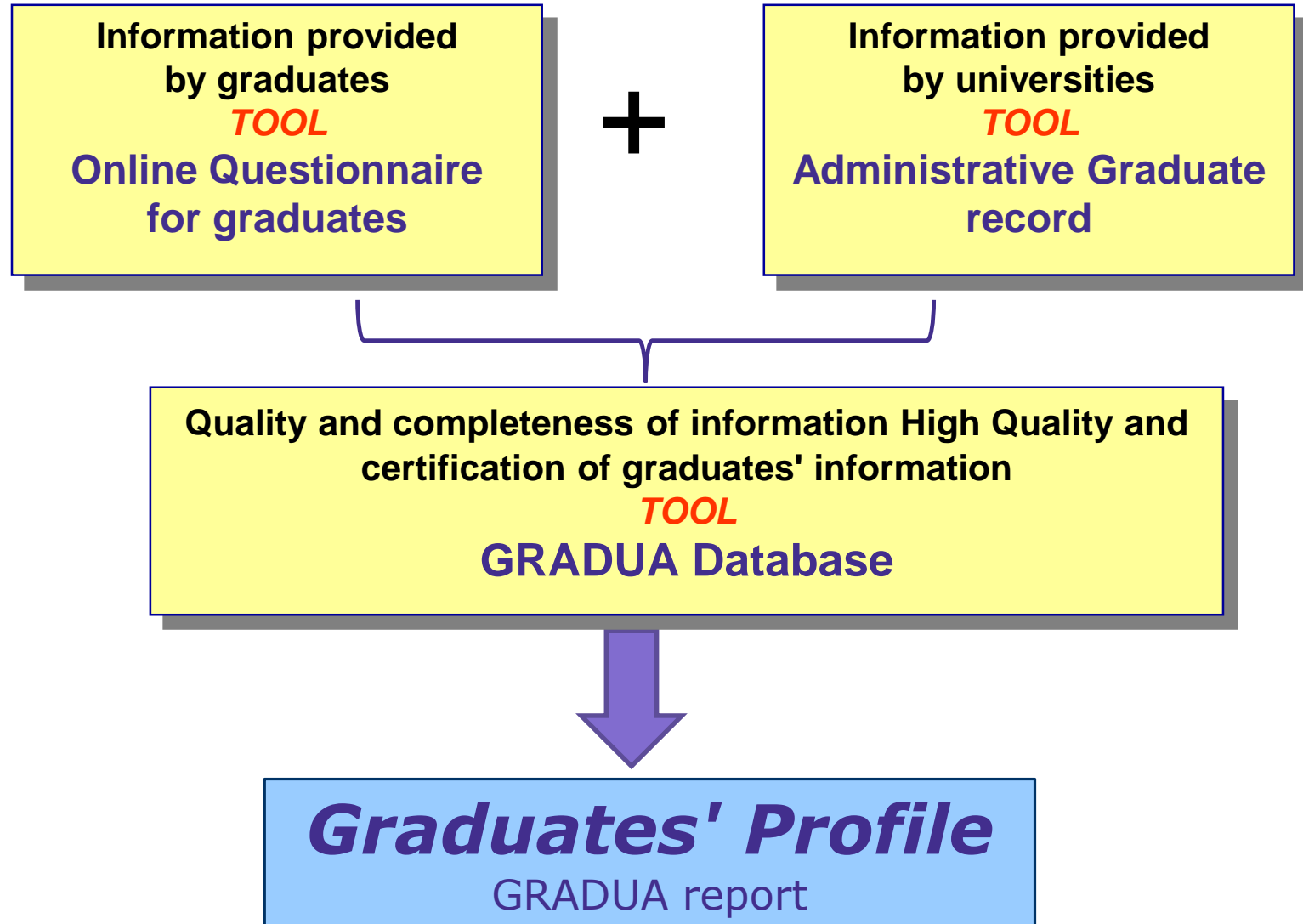
1998 = **13** Universities

2018 = **75** Universities

Focus of the analysis: all students of member Universities **who graduated** in the year **2019!!**

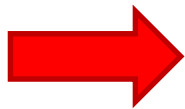
Goals:

- to outline the **characteristics** of graduates;
- to be a **point of reference** for all those who are interested in the university system;
- to help spread a **culture of evaluation** in the education system
- to **provide guidance** in choosing a university
- to help universities meet the **transparency requirements**
Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth





graduation year: 2012
 type of degree course: first cycle degree (post-Bologna process reform)
 University: Bologna
 Faculty/Department/School: Engineering - Bologna (Fac.)
 degree subject grouping: all
 degree course grouping: all
 degree course: all




questionnaire sections

As well in
GRADUA
 questionnaire

	Selected cohort	Selected Cohort (disaggregated by gender)	
		Male	Female
Number of graduates	864	644	220
Completed the questionnaire	844	629	215


1. Personal details			
	Selected cohort	Selected Cohort (disaggregated by gender)	
		Male	Female
Gender (%)			
male	74.5	100.0	-
female	25.5	-	100.0
Age at graduation (%)			
under 23 years	46.6	40.8	63.6
23 to 24 years	32.2	35.4	22.7
25 to 26 years	10.4	11.8	6.4
27 years and over	10.8	12.0	7.3
age at graduation (average)	24.2	24.4	23.4
Foreign citizens (%)	4.4	4.0	5.5



2. Social background

**As well in
GRADUA
questionnaire**

	Selected cohort	Selected Cohort (disaggregated by gender)	
		Male	Female
Parents' educational qualification			
both parents are degree holders	15.2	15.4	14.4
only one parent is a graduated	23.1	23.7	21.4
secondary school-leaving certificate	48.3	46.9	52.6
lower educational qualification or no educational qualification	12.8	13.4	11.2
Social class (%)			
middle class	29.1	30.5	25.1
clerical middle class	32.1	30.8	35.8
lower middle class	22.5	23.2	20.5
working class	15.4	14.6	17.7



3. Secondary education

**As well in
GRADUA
questionnaire**

	Selected cohort	Selected Cohort (disaggregated by gender)	
		Male	Female
secondary school-leaving certificate			
secondary school specialising in classical studies	5.9	4.0	11.4
secondary school specialising in foreign languages studies	0.7	0.3	1.8
secondary school specialising in scientific studies	61.7	59.9	66.8

6. Work activity undertaken during academic studies

**As well in
GRADUA
questionnaire**

	Selected cohort	Selected Cohort (disaggregated by gender)	
		Male	Female
Carried out work activities (%)	63.0	64.1	60.0
studying	2.6	2.7	2.3
workers			
other work activities undertaken on a full-time ongoing basis	4.1	5.1	1.4
part-time work activities	15.8	16.2	14.4
occasional irregular or seasonal work activities	40.5	40.1	41.9
no work experience	36.4	35.6	38.6
Work relevant to studies	8.5	10.0	4.2

7. Assessment of university experience

**As well in
GRADUA
questionnaire**

	Selected cohort	Selected Cohort (disaggregated by gender)	
		Male	Female
Expressed overall satisfaction with degree course (%)			
yes definitely	30.8	32.0	27.4
more yes than no	59.7	58.8	62.3
Expressed overall satisfaction with relationships with academic staff (%)			
yes definitely	9.5	10.2	7.4
more yes than no	69.3	68.4	72.1

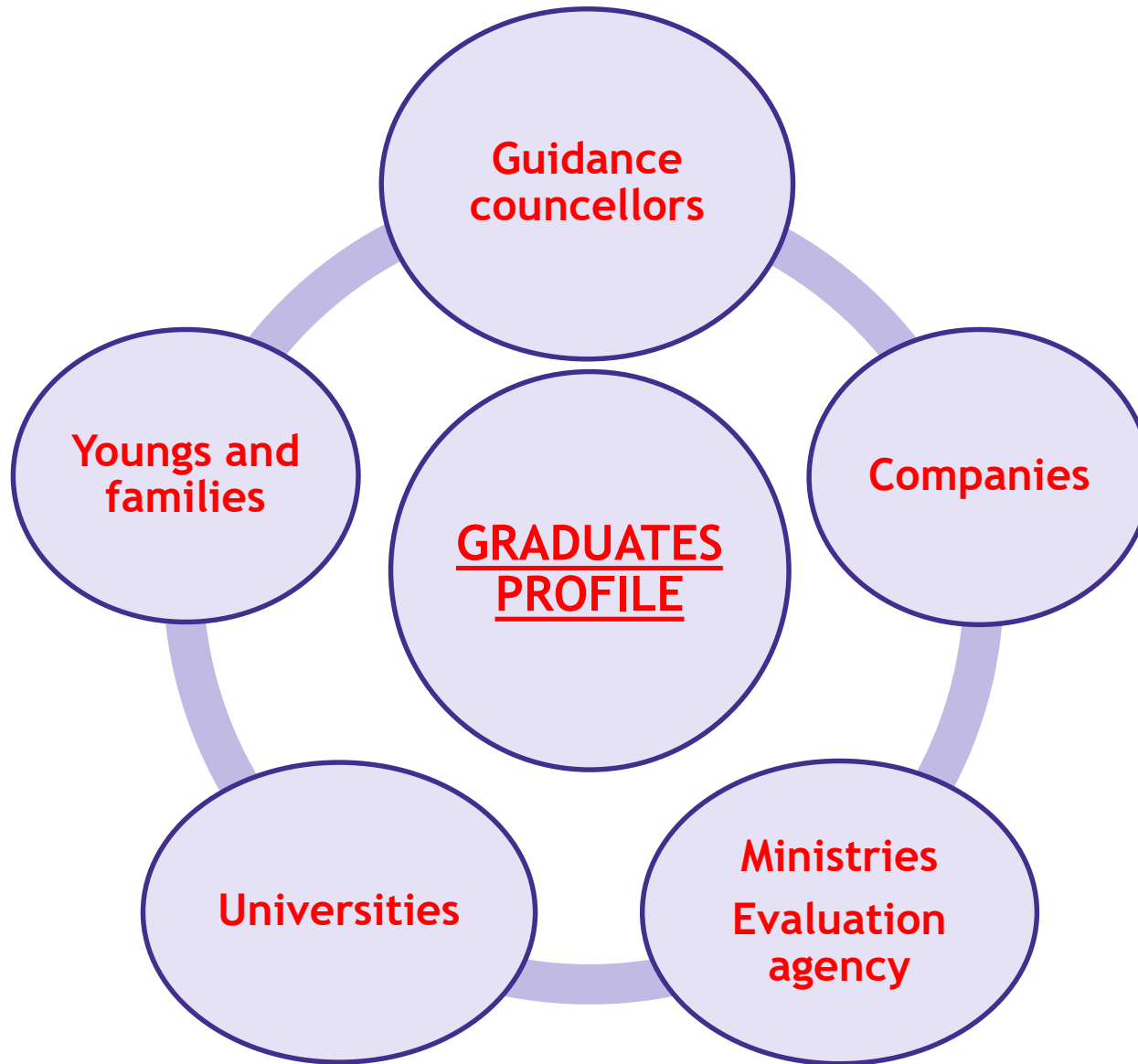
GRADUA questionnaire structure

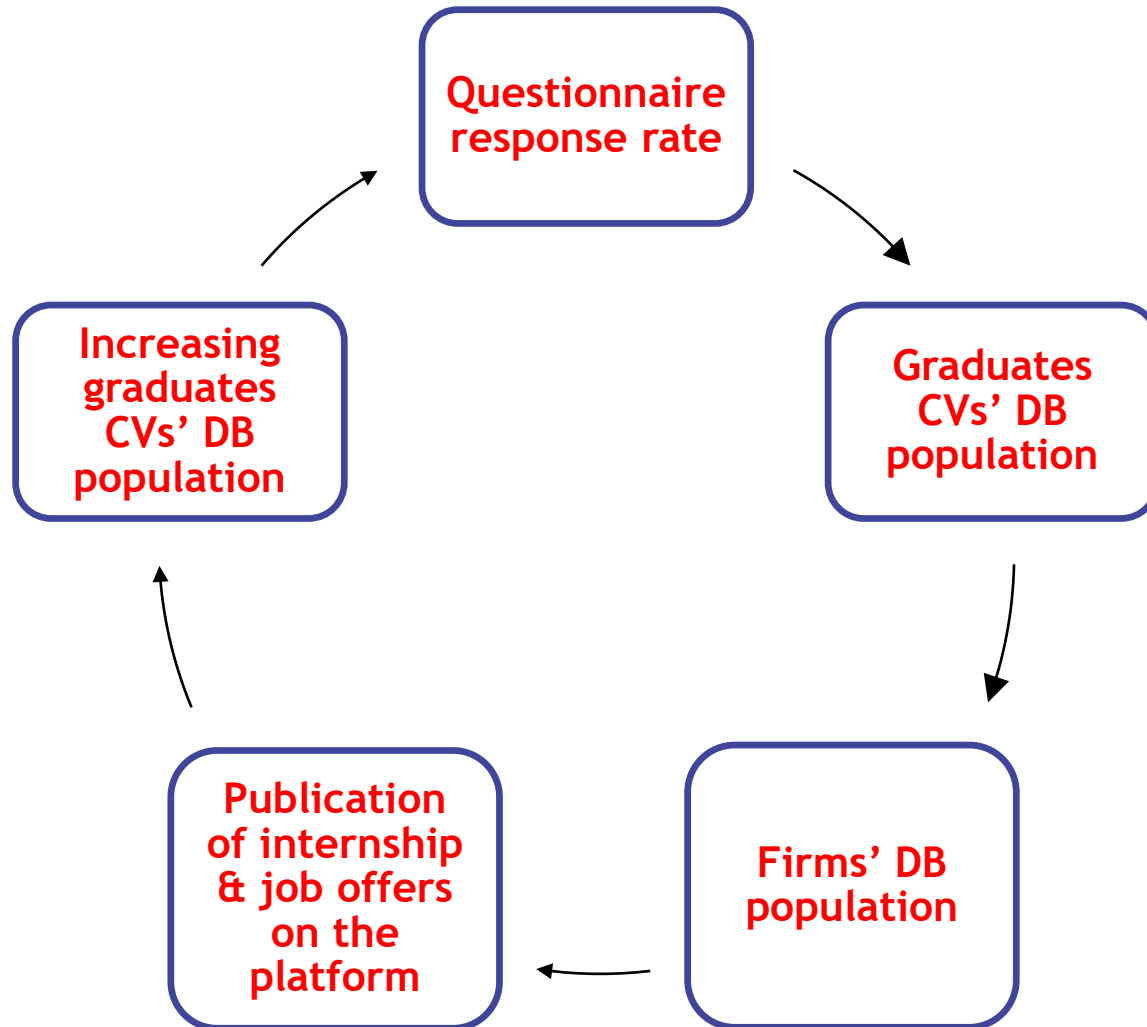
based on **Almalaurea model**, but **adapted to national context**
with suggestions form Albanian partners

1. personal information (age, gender, citizenship, etc)
2. education and training (education, languages and IT skills)
3. information on the course that are now completing
4. assessment of university experience
5. information about the family (n. of members, income, qualifications, etc.)
6. future intentions and perspectives (study/work)

The data of the Graduates' Profile is also useful for:

- ✓ future **report** on graduates' **Employment Status**
- ✓ **ad hoc reports and data processing** requested by Universities, experts in the field, students writing their dissertations, etc.





WHAT

Showing the **advantages**: placement opportunities; contribution to enhance the performances of the university ;

REGISTRATION AND FILL THE QUESTIONNAIRE

WHO

Students' secretariats; communication officers; teachers; Rector

WHEN

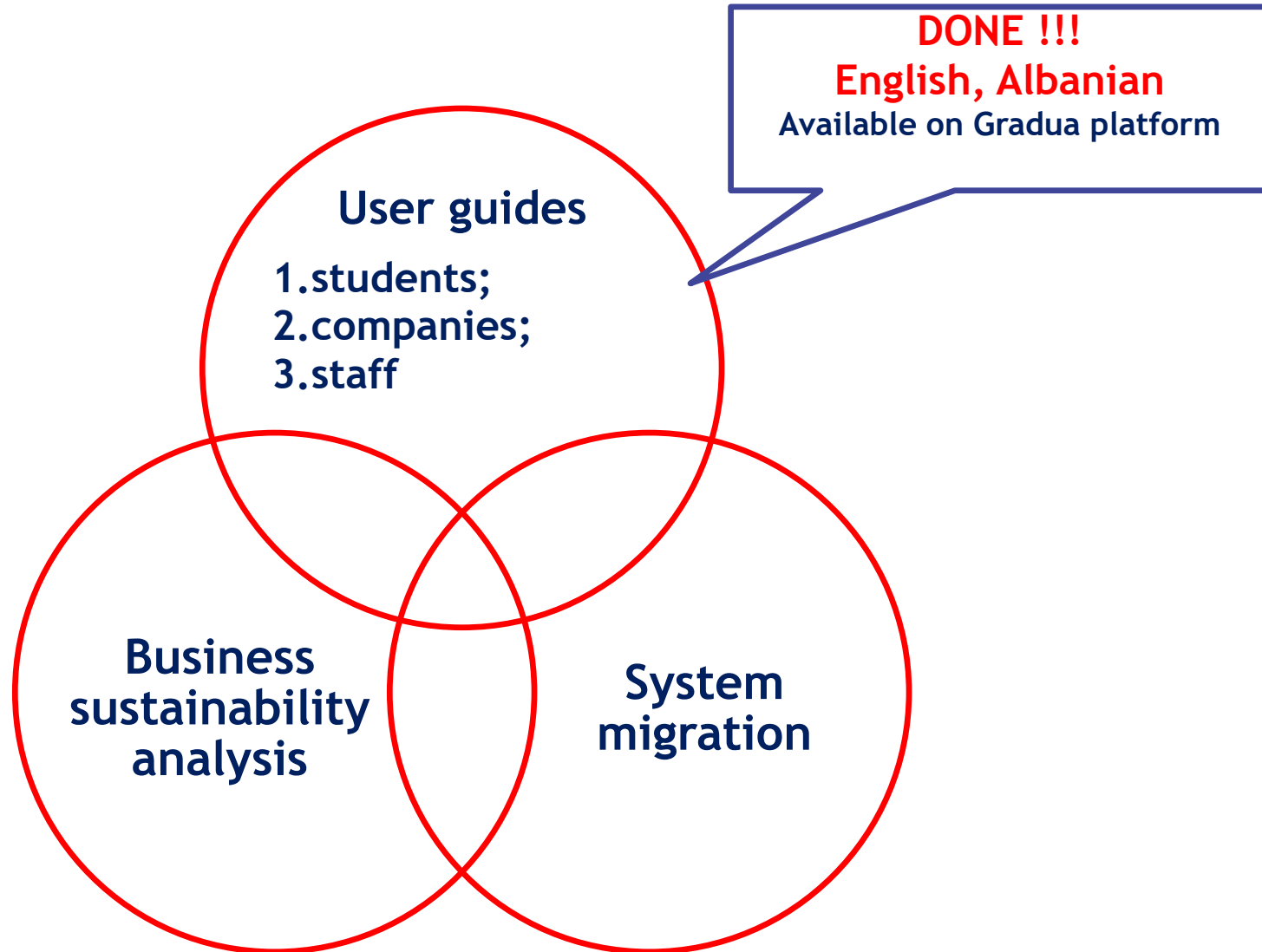
At the enrollment; during the studies; **just before graduation**

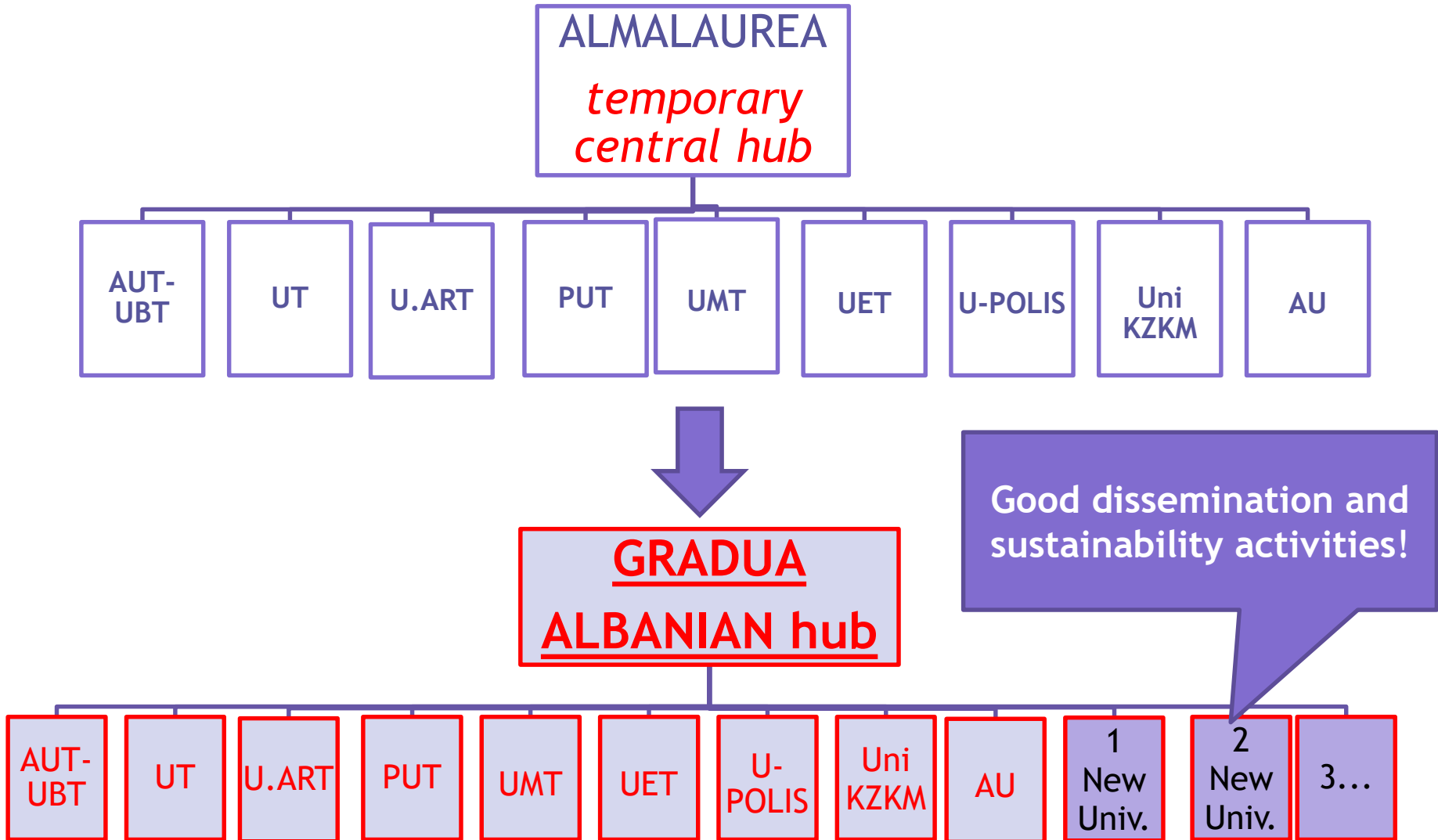
WHERE

On the university websites; in classrooms; at libraries; at administrative offices; at students' meeting places, **Project web site**: <http://www.graduaproject.com/>

HOW

Letter by the Rector; mailing list; brochures; flyers; roll-ups; social networking





For universities and higher education system as a whole:

- Common methodological tools
- Extensive overview of graduates' profile data for assessment and comparison purposes
- Possibility for new coming universities to join the network: enlarge ***university cooperation***

For students/graduates:

- More internship/job offers available on one same platform

For firms:

- Greater range of available graduates' CVs
- One platform and one access code

GRADUA PILOT PROFILE - NOVEMBER 2019**Lisbon meeting!**

Pilot report based on questionnaire analysis:

- 1) **presentation** of the main results
- 2) **Analysis** of on the most important characteristics of Albanian graduates
- 3) **round table**: experts discuss some of the covered topics more in detail

IMPORTANT: after the 2019 summer wave of graduation, please start to draft the Graduates profile report and send it to coordinator to be forwarded to us (Silvia)

DEADLINE: 15 OCTOBER 2019!

-see: <https://www.graduaproject.com/aut-meeting-presentation/>

Information provided by graduates

tool

Online GRADUA **Questionnaire** for students/graduates

GRADUA **Database**



Albanian Graduates' Profile

Possible indicators (to be decided):

- ✓ Gender
- ✓ Language skills
- ✓ IT skills
- ✓ Job activities during studies (Y/N)
- ✓ International experience (Y/N)
- ✓ Internship (Y/N)....etc

Before or **after** the transfer of the platform:

- **before**: the Albanian graduates survey report will be based only on questionnaire data; each university will draft its own graduates profile report and the coordinator will collect all and make the introduction and conclusion to have a unique report
- **after**: the Albanian graduates survey report will be based on questionnaire data matched with administrative data (sent by each partner university to the central hub – who host the platform - and data will be matched by the system)

Before or **after** the transfer of the platform:

- **before**: the IT of each university will "*clean the questionnaire data*" and make the data available to each university researchers to draft the graduates report
- **after**: IT belonging to hosting organization will "*clean the data*" matched by the system (questionnaires + administrative data sent by each university) and:

Possibilities for future reports:

- **Each university will draft its own report** (on its own graduates profile) than, who host the platform will collect all and create e unique report (drafting an introduction and conclusions)
- **Rotating roles:** each year, one university will draft the report based on matched data sent by platform hosting organization
- The platform **hosting organization** will collect, clean, match and draft the report (as Almalaurea do on behalf of its 75 Universities members)
 - in this last case especially, **a sustainability and business plan** is requested in order to identify alternative source of funding (fees, services for companies, public funds, etc. – **to be drafted and signed** by partners)

OCTOBER 2019 (?) - TIRANA

COMPENDIUM OF BEST PRACTICES: report based on questionnaires analysis: **INTERNSHIP**

1. Analyse the results of **questionnaire for companies** (at least 10) + **focus group** - **December 2018** at Tirana University;
2. Analyse the results of **questionnaire for students** (at least 80) + **focus groups** – **October 2019** at University of Medicine
3. Universities point of view regarding the internship
(**WP 4.2 assess students and companies experience in training programme**)
4. Albanian Universities Career office staff will share the experience and the lesson learned with the students:

recommendations – October 2019

- a draft version was made: to be integrated following the October 2019 meeting at Medicine University of Tirana

NOVEMBER 2019 - LISBON

GRADUA PILOT PROFILE

(main results and characteristics of Albanian graduates)

For this:

- Continue to invite students who graduate in 2019 to **register** on the platform and **fill the questionnaire**;
- Following the 2019 summer start to draft the ***Graduates profile report*** and send it to coordinator to be forwarded to us (Silvia)

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Thank you!

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