

Recommendation of BOKU's Committee for Internationalisation of September 25th, 2015 concerning the geographic focus areas of BOKU's Strategy for Internationalisation

MCP / ZIB

This recommendation is based on the previous Partnerships and Projects of BOKU as well as on the BOKU criteria for the definition of „Geographic target regions“ for the Strategy for Internationalisation¹:

A) East and South Eastern Europe (Czech republic, Hungary, Slovakia, Poland, Slovenia, Romania, Russia, Turkey, Croatia, Kosovo)

B) Asia: South East Asia (Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia), China + **Himalaya region:** (Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan)

C) Central asia (Kazakhstan, Kirgistan, Usbekistan)

D) Eastern Afrika: (Kenya, Tansania, Uganda, Ethiopia)

E) Central- / South America: Mexiko, Peru, Brasil

F) Currently suspended due to security reasons: Arab Region: Egypt, Syria, Jordan

Projects with these countries should be prioritised in funding via the International BOKU Budget, but 1/3 of this budget is still reserved for new activities worldwide.

Co-operation in Networks (ELLS, ICA, EURASIA_Pazifik-Net, ASEA-UNINET) should remain a focus area of BOKU's international activities.

¹ **Criteria for developing these recommendations were: in these countries, at least 2 BOKU Departments have to be actively co-operating with at least 2 different institutions, of which at least one has to be a BOKU partner institution and the co-operation had to be ongoing for at least 5 years. Special considerations related to foreign affairs can lead to the fact that a maximum of one country per region is added to the list independently of the above-mentioned criteria.**