**Mobility with Academic Staff to the Republic of Zambia 2025**

**Planned Date and Destination**

The mobility is expected to take place in September/October 2025, with a minimum duration of 30 days. The main destination will be the Republic of Zambia, with the possibility of short-term visits to neighbouring Zimbabwe and Botswana.

**Focus and Objectives**

The mobility is open to students from all faculties. The main topic is a comprehensive and practical understanding of natural resource management, while also considering socio-economic, cultural, and social aspects specific to the region. Students will be involved in ongoing development projects implemented by MENDELU and visit projects of other organizations. They will also have the opportunity to collect materials and data for their final theses. The goal of the trip is to prepare students for independent travel abroad, enhance their theoretical and practical knowledge, and introduce them to working conditions in developing countries.

**Planned Activities**

* **Excursions in Natural Resource Management**  
  Visits to small, medium, and commercial farms, nurseries for seedling production, forestry, wood-processing, and food industries.
* **Field Trips to National Parks and Protected Areas**  
  Understanding biodiversity conservation and exploring natural ecosystems in contrast to human-influenced environments.
* **Visits to Local Institutions and Experts**  
  Visiting administrative, educational, research, and cultural institutions (local ministries, the Czech Embassy in Lusaka, partner universities, research institutes, museums, archaeological sites, etc.).
* **Engagement in Development Project Implementation**  
  Meetings with key stakeholders, preparatory and organizational work, demonstrations of practical implementations, and field data collection.
* **Practical Training for Working Abroad**  
  Dealing with real challenges and situations encountered while living and working in developing countries.

**Application Attachments**

* A structured CV and a motivation letter (one A4 page). Both documents must be in English.
* The motivation letter should also include how the trip will contribute to your professional and personal development and your reasons for participating.
* A project proposal summary (max. 1 standard page).

**Contacts**

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