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## YEBO! Training 2

YEBO! partners from Europe and South Africa are meeting in Pretoria from 26th to 29<sup>th</sup> of March to participate in a series of Workshops on “Towards institutional structures that support the complete PhD life cycle”.

The starting point of this workshop is that internationalization of PhD studies is a shared institutional responsibility. In order to make each PhD experience more international institutions need to make sure that all phases of the PhD life cycle are adequately supported: before embarking on a PhD candidates need to have access to information and services with regard to funding and international mobility; their registration at the university should be free of any unnecessary barriers.

Although the full PhD life cycle and all possible structures (on the institutional level as well as in the faculties) will be taken into consideration during the workshop, particular attention will be given to the following two topics: (1) structures/services (e.g. IROs) to support international mobility and collaboration on PhD level; (2) structures/services (e.g. Doctoral Schools) to enhance the international quality of the PhD research.

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### About YEBO ! Developing Internationalization of PhD studies in South Africa Erasmus+ Capacity building project

This project has been funded by the Erasmus+ program of the European Union in October 2017. YEBO! is a Capacity Building Project aiming to help with the modernization, the accessibility and the internationalization of higher education in the partners' countries.

The general objective of YEBO! project is to foster and develop the internationalization of doctoral studies in South Africa.

The project aims to achieve in 3 years:

- the increase of awareness of the current situation and challenges of PhD internationalization activity (Report published in June 2018);
- the improvement of the skills of South African universities concerning the internationalization of PhD Studies via 4 training sessions;
- to facilitate the access to information concerning funding, mobility, and administrative procedures of PhD programs via a dedicated Web Platform;
- to promote the internationalization of PhD studies in South Africa and Europe via 4 conferences.

### Partners

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Tshwane University of Technology, South Africa  
University of Pretoria, South Africa  
University of Western Cape, South Africa  
Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa  
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