

# The Department of General Education and Research Methods in Education of the Faculty of Pedagogy and Psychology of the University of Bialystok

## The second international seminar on:

# Collaboration and Mentoring Relationships in Higher Education: Promises and Challenges April 20, 2018

10:00—12:30 | FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY | UNIVERSITY OF BIALYSTOK | BUILDING A, ROOM 202 |

### PRESENTATION OF THE SEMINAR

In the time of challenges for higher education institutions in Europe and all over the world, there is a greater than ever need to shift from individual to collaborative work. Existing studies suggest that collaboration in higher education has a strong potential to make academic work more effective, quicker and giving more promising results. Even with these advantages, however, research results indicate that this potential is not fully used, either by institutions or by academic teachers and students. Therefore, deep reflection is necessary on how the great potential of collaboration could be more effectively realized in higher education.

What are (or could be) the links between mentoring and collaboration? What ways (strategies) should be applied to establish and maintain collaboration relationships in higher education? What are the possibilities of collaboration between students and academic teachers? What is the importance of collaboration in teacher education?

The aim of our second international seminar is to address these and other questions related to the idea of collaboration in higher education. The seminar, organised as a roundtable discussion, will provide a voice of researchers from Sweden and Poland on the promises and challenges of mentoring and collaboration relationships for fostering the quality of teaching and learning in higher education, with some implications for teacher education communities.



### **PROGRAMME**

### 10:00–10:10 – *Welcome address*

**Izabela Święcicka**, Vice-rector of the University of Bialystok **Wioleta Danilewicz**, Vice-dean of the Faculty of Pedagogy and Psychology, University of Bialystok

### 10:10-10:20 - Introduction to the seminar

Marta Kowalczuk-Walędziak, Department of General Pedagogy and Research Methods in Education, University of Bialystok

### 10:20–12:00 – *Keynote Lectures*

10:20–10:35 – Åsa Morberg, University of Gävle, President of the Association of Teacher Education in Europe (ATEE), ATEE – Association of Teacher Education in Europe – a Network for the Future 10:35–11:20 – Åsa Morberg, University of Gävle, President of the Association of Teacher Education in Europe, Mentoring for Professional Development for the Future 11:20–12:00 – Anna Krajewska, Director of the Department of General Pedagogy and Research Methods in Education, University of Bialystok, Didactic Cooperation between Teachers and Students in Academic Education: an Opportunity or a Utopia? 12:00–12:30 – Discussion

(Moderators: Alicja Korzeniecka-Bondar, Krzysztof Czykier, University of Bialystok)