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DODJELJUJE  
*Zahvalnicu*  
Prof. dr. Meliha Handžić  
za 10 godina izvrsnog znanstvenog rada  
i doprinosa u razvoju internacionalnog  
Burch univerziteta u Sarajevu.

# AWARDING THE HONORARY TITLE EMERITUS TO PROF. DR. MELIHA HANDŽIĆ

International Burch university had the honour to award our professor Meliha Handžić the honorary title “Emeritus.” The ceremony has been held in the Senate room. Rector,

Assoc.Prof.Dr.Mersid Poturak expressed his gratitude to professor Handžić for her work and the results she achieved during the 11 years of working at Burch.



*I say with great pleasure that professor Handžić has been a part of the Burch family and shared her extensive knowledge and experience with us. Her thoughts and work are our pride and joy as well as the source of affirmation to our University. We would highly appreciate should Professor Handžić continue participating and supporting International Burch University, **rector Poturak.***

# BURCH CARES

Professor Handžić received her honorary title and gifts prepared for this occasion.

*After coming back from Australia to BiH International Burch University was my choice because it gave me the opportunity to use my knowledge, educate young people and prepare them for the global market. This University is different in a way that it cares and gives special attention to its students. Also, it was important to me to continue my research work and join the European research community. After 11 years of working at Burch I am extremely happy that my contribution and work here are appreciated and recognized. With great honour I receive this title and I hope to remain*

*an important part of this family, **professor Handžić.***

The ceremony continued with awarding certificates of appreciation to employees for 10 years of work at International Burch University.



# AMBASSADOR VANJA FILIPOVIĆ VISITED INTERNATIONAL BURCH UNIVERSITY

Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland Vanja Filipović visited International Burch University. It was a friendly visit, and at a meeting with the rector Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mersid Poturak the Ambassador discussed possible joint projects and other types of cooperation in strengthening the promotion of our country in Great Britain. As a university accredited by the United Kingdom, International Burch University can be a significant partner. After the meeting, Ambassador Filipović, accompanied by the rector, visited the premises of

the university, and was especially impressed by the newly opened PC lab.



# INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE RAISES THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION

International Burch University invested more than 100.000 KM in new equipment for students of Department of Graphic Design and Multimedia and students of Department of Architecture. New PC lab is equipped with 25 computers with high performance possibilities and licenced software needed for graphic design, video editing, animation etc. As the university that strives to achieve excellence in knowledge, research and education International Burch University recognised the need to invest in infrastructure and give the students best conditions for learning.

*This is another proof that we are innovative University that prepares its students for the real market challenges. Part of our vision is entrepreneurship and innovation, and this lab will help us achieve that goal and generate positive energy in Bosnia and Herzegovina. We are right to say that these investments are positioning our University as a leader of higher education in private sector, **rector Poturak.***

This PC lab is only the first investement planed for this year as we are planing to open our Podcast studio for Department of digital communications and public rela-

tion by the end of the semester.

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# SAFE CLUB

The Student Association of Faculty of Education and Humanities (SAFE) is an umbrella organization of FEH students, but exceptions can be made when membership is concerned.

Their main objectives are encouragement and promotion of humanitarian work, student activism in both academic and non-academic environments, and providing opportunities for internships and additional education to students. Currently, there are 54 members of the Association including President Emir Šogolj and Vice President Ajla Aljović.

The most important achieve-

ment of SAFE during the fall semester is the initiation of the Memoranda of Understanding between International Burch University, Bosnian Representative Association for Valuable Opportunities and PRONI Center for Youth Activism. During the online conferences with the mentioned organizations, the director of BRAVO and the general manager of the PRONI recognized the common goals and potential offered by this student club, but also the University as a whole.



*The Student Association of the Faculty of Education and Humanities (SAFE) which I have the honor of presiding over, has proven itself in this past semester to still be one of the most well organized and hardworking student clubs. We have achieved great cooperation with various organizations from the field of humanitarian work and youth development. Our members have always shown their support and dedication to our work,*



*even when we organized two events in the middle of the final exams. We were lucky enough to get a chance to introduce our members and other students to great opportunities of further developing themselves in terms of both their personal and professional lives. Our ultimate goal is to leave a legacy of work that our predecessors would be proud of, that our members will be thankful for being a part of, and that our successors will strive towards reaching, **Emir Šogolj, the president of SAFE.***



*Despite the pandemic and new ways of work, SAFE managed to do an excellent job during the previous semester. We hosted numerous events with successful guests who have rich biographies from various fields of activity, enjoyed every second of their lectures and broadened our horizons. We are proud of every Association member, their commitment and diligence, but also the Memoranda of Understanding between International Burch University, BRAVO and PRONI, which were signed at the initiative of SAFE. It is a great honor and pleasure to be a part of successful stories and collaborations. We have prepared many more surprises and events for the spring semester, so we invite you to follow our Facebook page and Instagram profile. Also, for all*

*questions and potential joining the Association, feel free to contact us, **Ajla Aljović, SAFE Vice President***

We are grateful to SAFE for their passion and commitment in promoting our University and we hope they will keep up the good work in the future. Some of their other activities include: AIESEC conference, Work and Travel USA conference, conference with **Srce puno osmjeha** organization, celebration of New Year and the Statehood Day etc.

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