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Odessa Polytechnic National University since 2017 has maintained close ties with the University of West Bohemia in Pilsen, Czech Republic. Our universities carried out a joint project involving the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (Dean Milan Edl) and the Institute of Digital Technologies, Design and Transport (Director Vladimir Tonkonogyi). The aim of the project was to adapt Ukrainian universities to the educational system of the European Union. The implementation of the project was very useful for Ukrainian universities. We were able to get acquainted with University of West Bohemia and the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, visit educational and research laboratories. The exchange of teachers was especially useful, when representatives of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering gave lectures to students of Ukrainian universities in Odessa, Vinnitsa, Kharkov, and Ukrainian professors had the opportunity to come to Pilsen and give lectures to Czech students.

The experience of cooperation was very useful, and the active participation in the project of Milan Edl helped to make this cooperation not only effective, but also interesting and informative. Today our universities are working to continue cooperation, a new project is being prepared within the framework of the Erasmus + program. We would also like to note that the University of West Bohemia delegation headed by Dean Milan Edl took part in the events related to the 100th anniversary of the Odessa Polytechnic in 2018, which was very important for us.

In February 2022, literally in the first days after the start of Russia's hostilities against Ukraine, Milan Edl personally approached us and offered to help us provide asylum to the staff and students of our university and ensure their safety. And today University of West Bohemia and the entire Czech Republic provide tremendous assistance to the citizens of Ukraine, primarily from the temporarily occupied and front-line regions, for which we are immensely grateful.

We learned with satisfaction that Milan Edl has decided to be elected rector of West Bohemia University. We are sure that this is an exceptionally worthy candidate, all our experience of working together and communicating with Milan Edl suggests that he will be a good rector and will do a lot for the further prosperity of University.

Rector

Gennady Oborskyi

Director of the Institute

Vladimir Tonkonogyi