



STUDENT DETAILS

University department / faculty:	Department Agriculture, Ecotrophology and Landscape development
Field of study:	Landscape architecture
Home university:	Hochschule Anhalt
Nationality:	Bulgarian
Duration of traineeship (<i>from ...to...</i>):	01.10.2020 to 31.03.2021

TRAINEESHIP INSTITUTION

Country:	Bulgaria
Name of traineeship institution:	CartGeo Ltd.
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EXPERIENCE REPORT (approx. 3 pages + more photos if applicable)

1) Traineeship institution

Please give a brief description of your host traineeship institution.

CartGeo Ltd. was founded in 2004 and has a team of professionals with extensive experience in the field of geodesy, topography, cartography, GIS and programming.

Activity:

- Cartography - design, manufacture and publication of a wide range of cartographic products, including relief maps, geological maps, transport maps, maps of protected areas, special maps for fire protection, maps to disaster protection plans and others.;
- Design, implementation and maintenance of GIS, GPS and communication technologies;
- Etc.

2) Searching for a traineeship

How did you find your traineeship? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I found it by using personal contacts and professional network.

3) Preparation

How did you prepare for your traineeship in terms of language, intercultural, professional and organisational aspects? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

It is a Bulgarian company and I am a Bulgarian national. With regard to the professional aspect it was not difficult as I have the required background.

4) Accommodation

How did you find your accommodation? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

Everything was based on personal contacts.

5) Traineeship

Please describe the tasks and / or the projects carried out during your traineeship. In which way were you mentored and integrated? How were the working conditions? Did you have especially positive or negative experiences?

The main focus was on aerial mapping. There were other GIS related tasks, but what was achieved was the combination of different techniques so that an aerial mapping service brings base maps and models for landscape architectural designs. The output was 3D models made with a nonprofessional drone by processing the images with both paid and the free versions of different software. Very useful for a landscape architect. The conditions were great. There was a freedom of experimenting with the company equipment so that the best output from aerial mapping towards landscape architecture was discovered.

6) Acquired qualifications

Which qualifications and skills could you acquire or improve during your traineeship?

Creating 3D Models based on photogrammetry

7) Country-specific features

Are there any specific traineeship regulations in the target country that affected you as an Erasmus trainee (e.g. France: housing allowance, convention de stage)? If yes, which ones? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

The Internship was during the pandemic and life was not in the traditional way. Nevertheless all was good, as scheduled and as expected .

8) Visa, residence and work permit (only for international students)

Which prearrangements had to be made in terms of visa, residence and work permit? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I am Bulgarian national and I did not require a visa.

9) Other

Is there anything else you want to let other students know?

An Internship in a smaller company offers flexibility and more options to try many things. The students must know what they want to achieve and prepare a good plan in advance. This will be helpful as for them so for the supervisors.

10) Conclusion

What is the conclusion drawn after your traineeship experience abroad?

Students should try to experience as many as possible different learning environments during their studies.

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