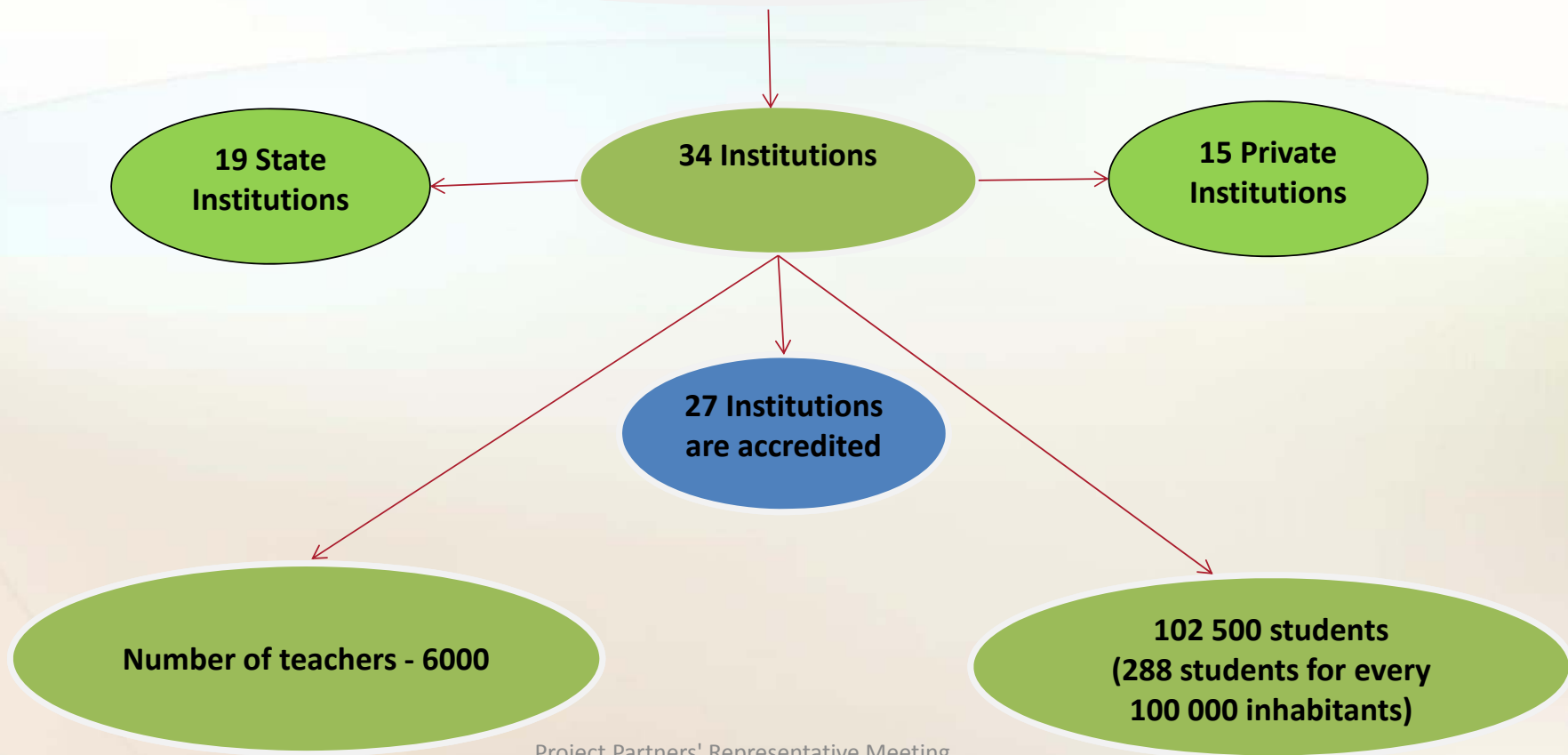# Introductory review about Moldova university libraries

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The Higher Education System in the Republic of Moldova

34 Institutions

19 State Institutions

15 Private Institutions

27 Institutions are accredited

Number of teachers - 6000

102 500 students (288 students for every 100 000 inhabitants)

Purpose

Integration into the European educational space

Tasks:

- Harmonization of the national education system with European education systems

- Modernisation of the national higher education system

- Raising the quality of higher education

- Mobility of students and teachers

University libraries

The university libraries are an inherent part of the higher educational system

The university libraries include 34 libraries:

- 19 State Libraries
- 15 Private libraries

ACQUISITIONS

Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	11003
Moldova State University	5892
Technical University of Moldova	9522
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	4680
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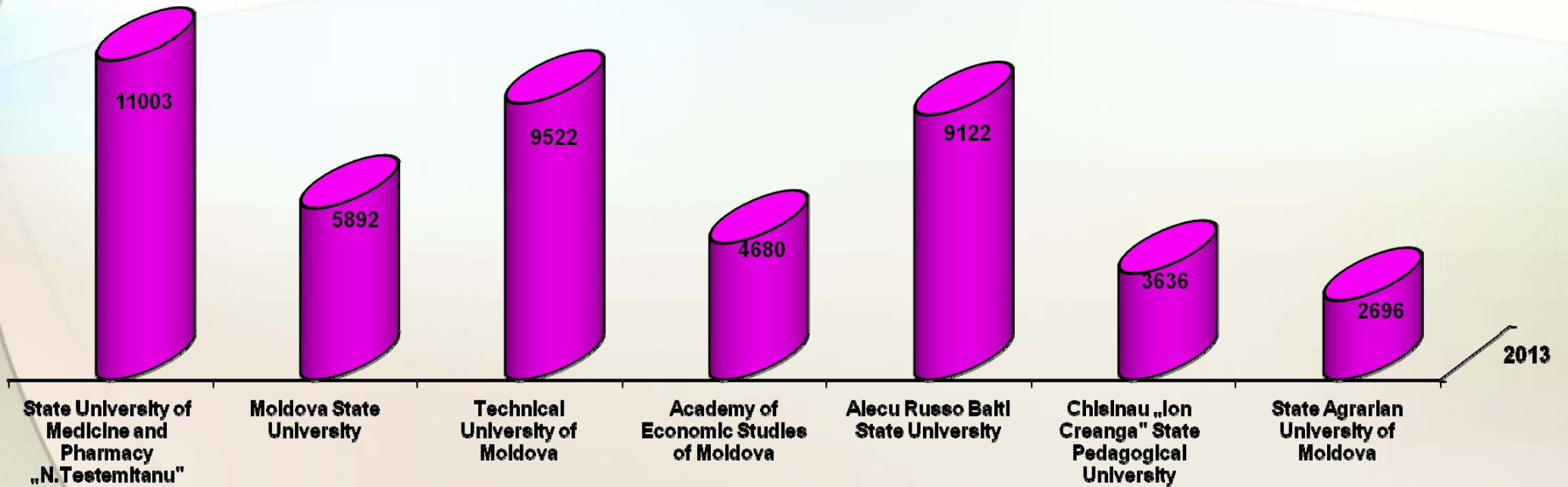
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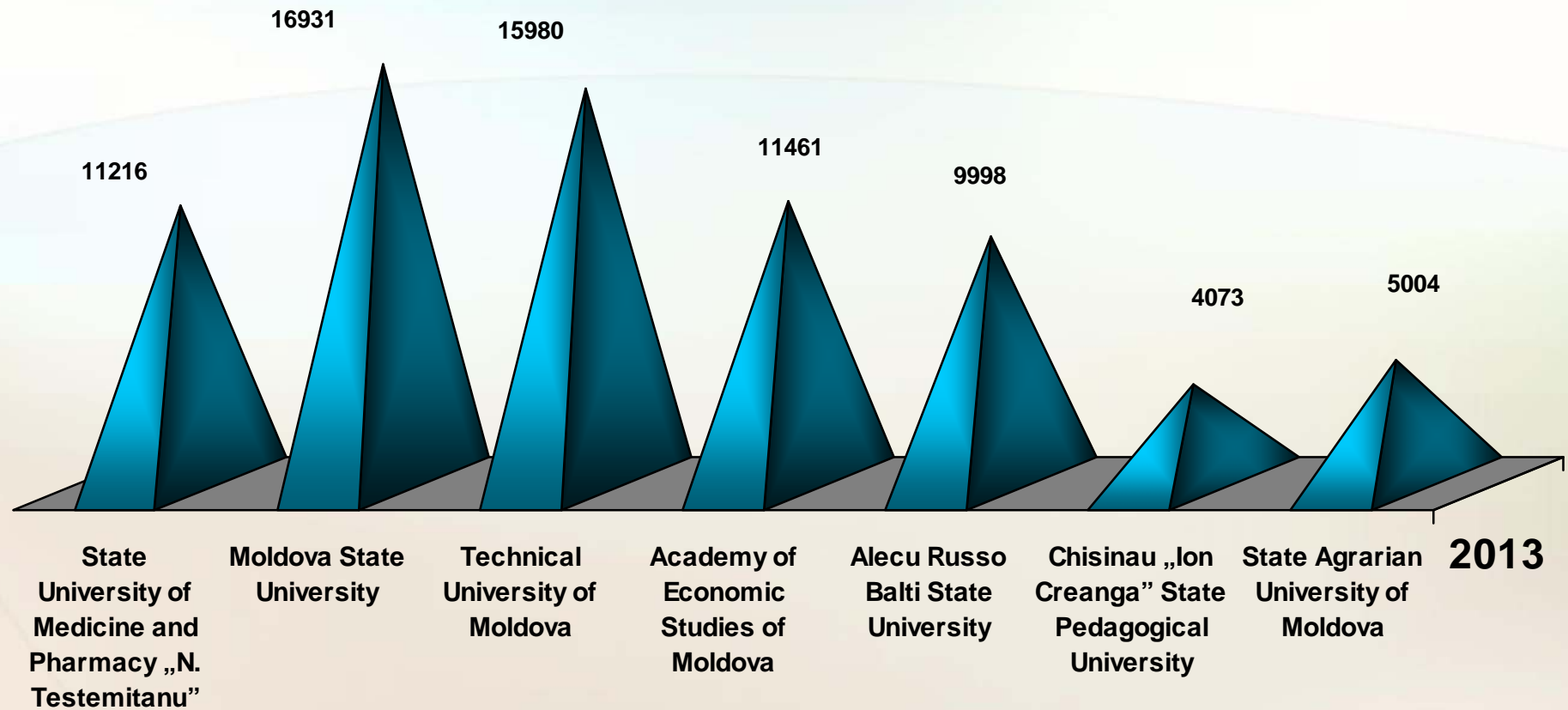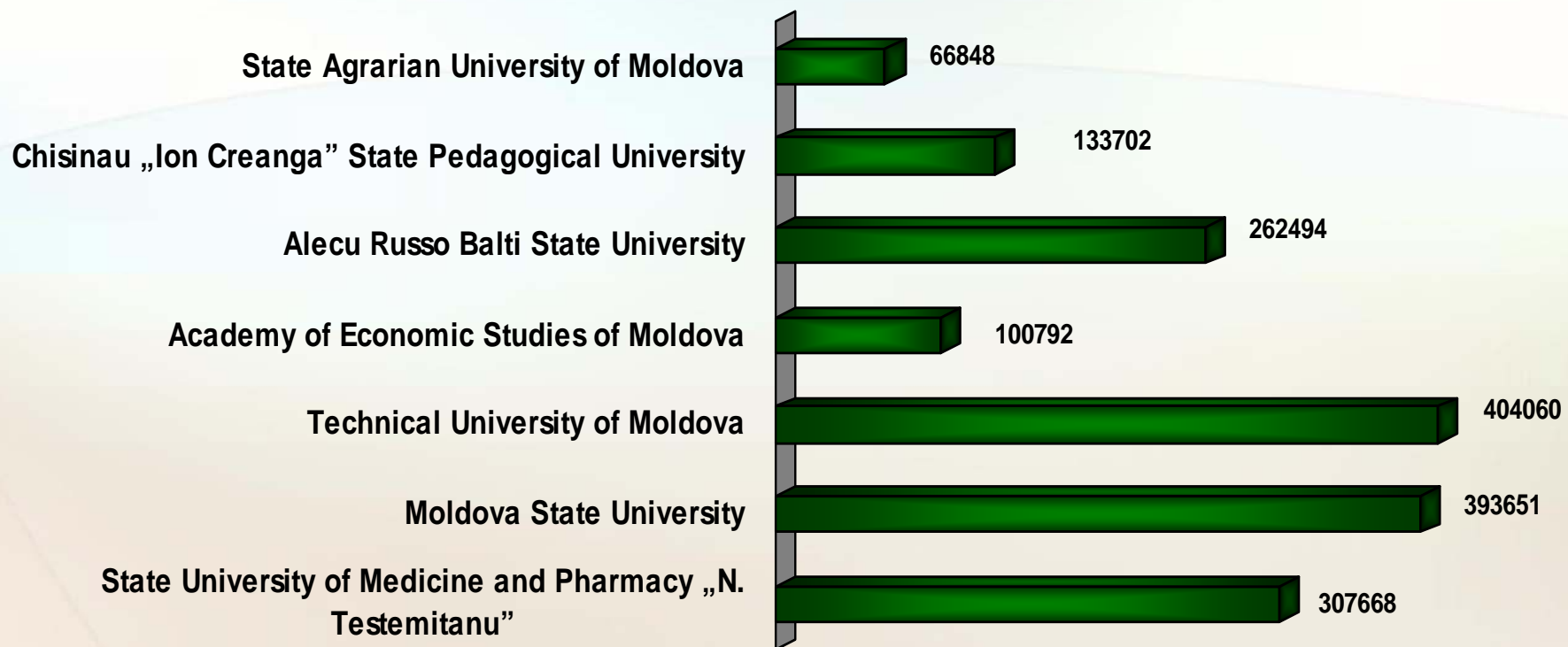| Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	1.0
Moldova State University	0.3
Technical University of Moldova	0.6
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	0.4
Alecu Russo Balti State University	0.9
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	0.9
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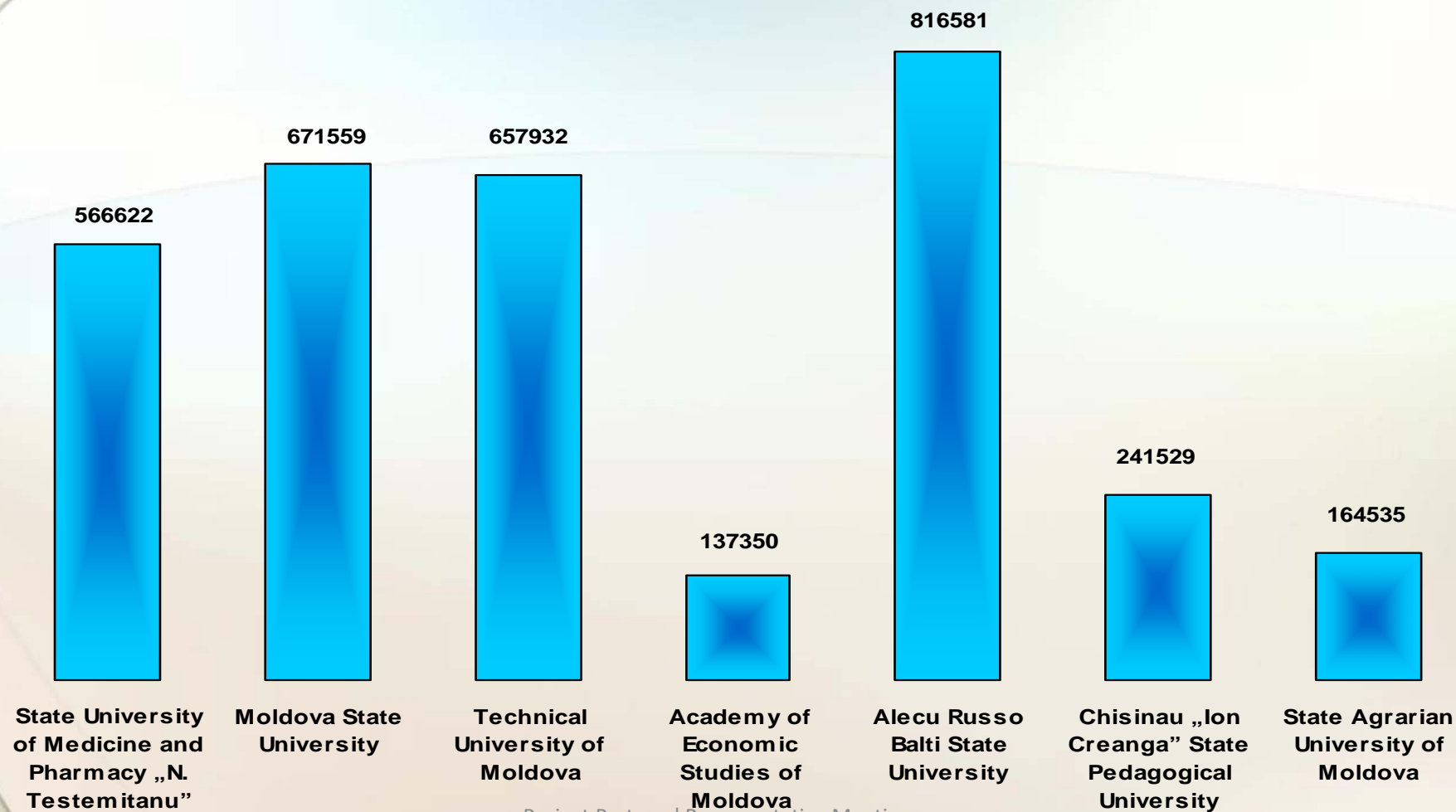| Organisation	2013
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Moldova State University	156/180
Technical University of Moldova	149/181
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	77/77
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Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	107/109
State Agrarian University of Moldova	108/110

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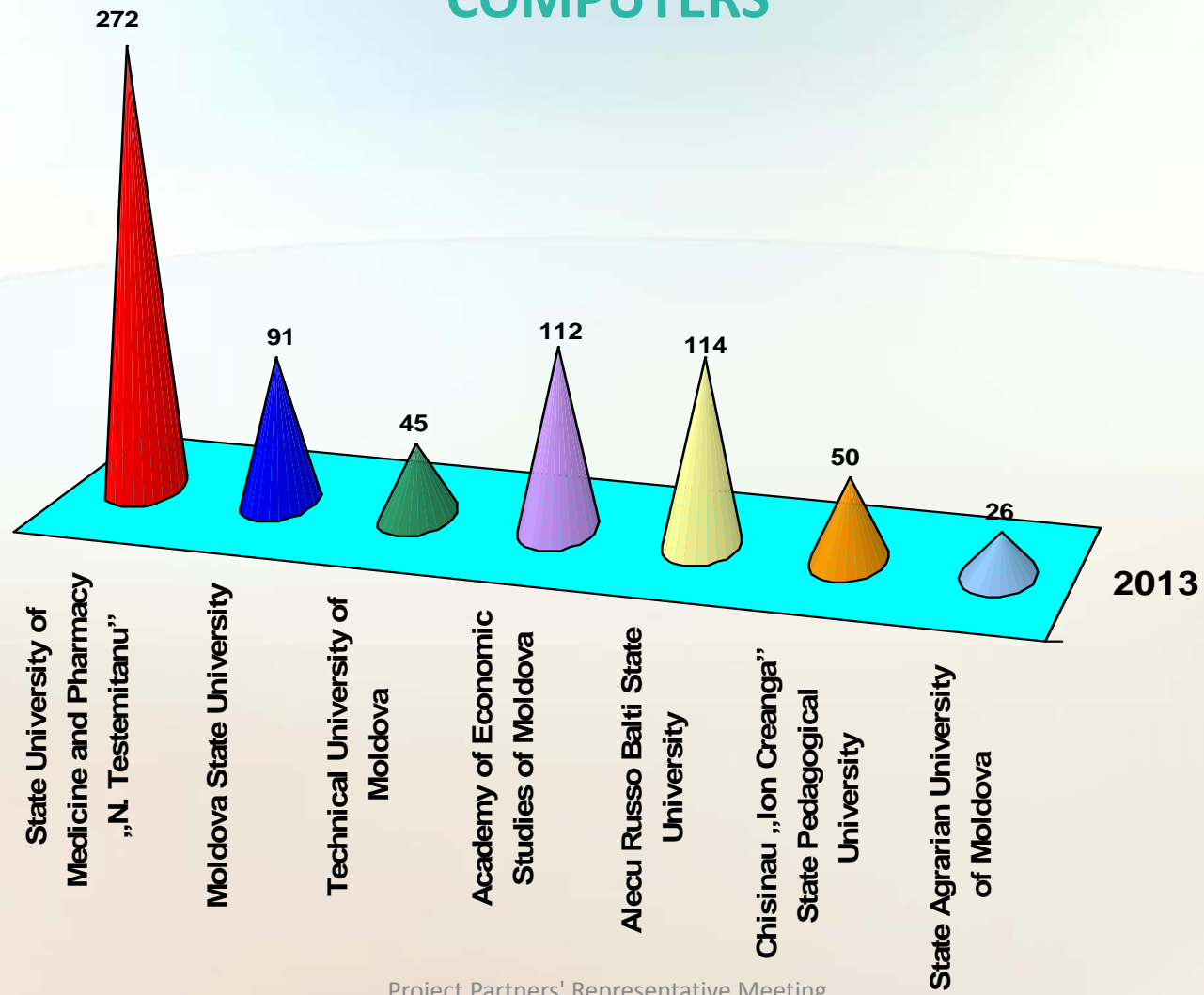| Organisation	2013
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Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	4073
State Agrarian University of Moldova	5004

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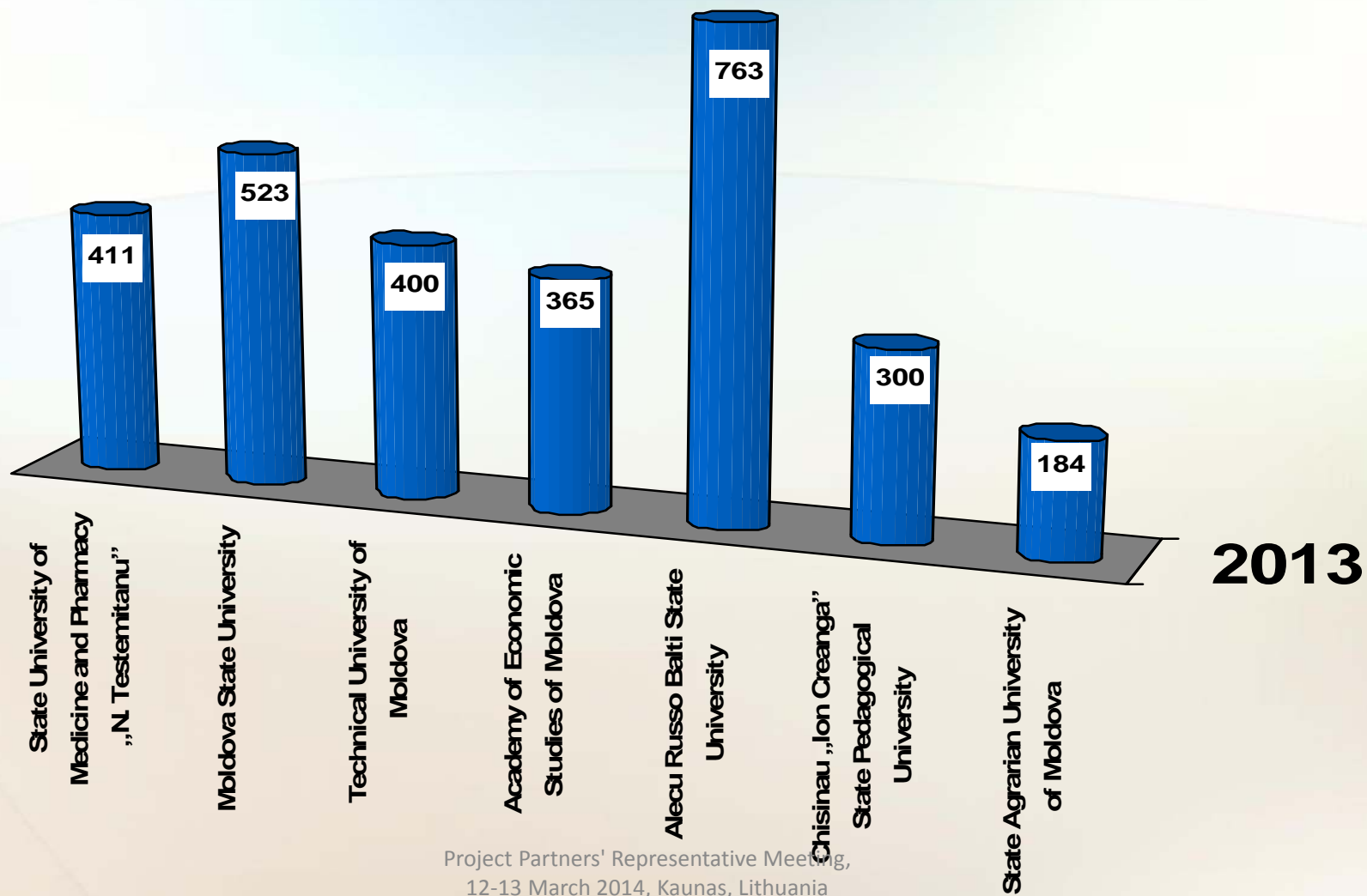5004 — State Agrarian University of Moldova

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Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	307668
Moldova State University	393651
Technical University of Moldova	404060
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	100792
Alecu Russo Balti State University	262494
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	133702
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Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "N. Testemitanu"	566622
Moldova State University	671559
Technical University of Moldova	657932
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	137350
Alecu Russo Balti State University	816581
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	241529
State Agrarian University of Moldova	164535

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Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	272
Moldova State University	91
Technical University of Moldova	45
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	112
Alecu Russo Balti State University	114
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	50
State Agrarian University of Moldova	26

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University

Chisinau ,,Ion Creanga''
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NUMBER OF PLACES IN READING ROOMS

Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	411
Moldova State University	523
Technical University of Moldova	400
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	365
Alecu Russo Balti State University	763
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	300
State Agrarian University of Moldova	184

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University Libraries automatization

Organisation	Software
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	Q Series
Moldova State University	TinRead
Technical University of Moldova	Q Series
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	TinLib (version 410)
Alecu Russo Balti State University	TinLib (version 410)
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	Q Series
State Agrarian University of Moldova	TinLib (version 380)

Organisation	Web OPAC
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	web OPAC
Moldova State University	-
Technical University of Moldova	web OPAC
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	web OPAC
Alecu Russo Balti State University	web OPAC
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	-
State Agrarian University of Moldova	-

Organisation	Databases
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	HINARI, ARDI, OARE, STAT!Ref, MEDLINE(OVID), BioDigital Human, OncologySTAT, Global Library of Women's Medicine
Moldova State University	Academic Search Premier, Business Source Premier, ERIC, GreenFILE, Health Source - Consumer Edition, Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts, MasterFILE Premier, MEDLINE, Newspaper Surce, Regional Business News, AHFS Consumer Medication Information, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts with Full Text
Technical University of Moldova	Academic Search Premier, Business Source Premier, ERIC, GreenFILE, Health Source - Consumer Edition, Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts, MasterFILE Premier, MEDLINE, Newspaper Surce, Regional Business News, AHFS Consumer Medication Information, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts with Full Text, ARDI, IOPscience, OECD-iLibrary, Royal Society Journals Collection, BioOne, Cambridge Journals Online, POLPRED

Organisation	Databases
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	**Academic Search Premier, Business Source Premier, ERIC, GreenFILE, Health Source - Consumer Edition, Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts, MasterFILE Premier, MEDLINE, Newspaper Surce, Regional Business News, AHFS Consumer Medication Information, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts with Full Text, Cambridge Journals Online, Blackwell, Emerald Group, Publishing Limited, Oxford University, World Banc**
Alecu Russo Balti State University	**Academic Search Premier, Business Source Premier, ERIC, GreenFILE, Health Source - Consumer Edition, Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts, MasterFILE Premier, MEDLINE, Newspaper Surce, Regional Business News, AHFS Consumer Medication Information, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts with Full Text, Moldlex**
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	**Academic Search Premier, Business Source Premier, ERIC, GreenFILE, Health Source - Consumer Edition, Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts, MasterFILE Premier, MEDLINE, Newspaper Surce, Regional Business News, AHFS Consumer Medication Information, Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts with Full Text**
State Agrarian University of Moldova	**HINARI, ARDI, OARE, AGORA, Moldlex**

Organisation	Web site
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	http://library.usmf.md/ virtual visits - 2 456 700
Moldova State University	-
Technical University of Moldova	http://www.library.utm.md/ virtual visits - 1 567 767
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	http://lib.ase.md/
Alecu Russo Balti State University	http://libruniv.usb.md/ virtual visits - 2 699 810
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	-
State Agrarian University of Moldova	http://biblio.uasm.md/ virtual visits - 18 000

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http://lib.ase.md/

http://libruniv.usb.md/

http://biblio.uasm.md/

LIBRARY STAFF (UNIVERSITY DEGREE IN THE FIELD)

Organisation	2013
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu"	36 (57%) / 63
Moldova State University	33 (69%) / 48
Technical University of Moldova	32 (67%) / 48
Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova	39 (76%) / 51
Alecu Russo Balti State University	15 (28%) / 53
Chisinau "Ion Creanga" State Pedagogical University	15 (48%) / 31
State Agrarian University of Moldova	17 (61%) / 28

Problems

- At the moment, the activity of the university libraries doesn't correspond the purpose and tasks of national education system;

- the information resources of the university libraries do not reflect the modern level of knowledge;

- the old infrastructure of the university libraries (computers and software) doesn't permit to provide operative, qualitative and diversified information services;

- the users' low level of information literacy is a barrier in utilization of existing resources;

- the access to electronic information resources is limited;

- the budget of the university libraries is limited and there is not a clear financial mechanism at the nation level;

- the university libraries staff does not have the sufficient experience in creation of the institutional repository.

Recommendations

- creation of the unic educational information space and integration into the European higher education and research space;

- modernisation of the university libraries' IT infrastructure;

- coordinating the libraries' efforts in the development of information resources and creation of innovative services;

- formation of the information literacy of the users based on a program approved at the national level;

- transformation of the university libraries into information centers;

- development of electronic collections and facilitating access to relevant information resources;

- diversification and improvement the quality of library services provided to academic community;

- elaboration of institutional repository policy approved on the national level which will allow to create the IRs.

Thank you for your attention!

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