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Škoda Auto Vysoká škola

SOUHRNNÁ ZPRÁVA PRO VÝZKUMNOU ORGANIZACI
Agregace kompletního hodnocení v Modulech 1-5

VŠ	Škoda Auto Vysoká škola	H24
		D _{VŠ}
Oborové¹ kapacity cca +5 % Modul 1 a Modul 2	1.2 Computer and information sciences 2.3 Mechanical engineering 5.1 Psychology and cognitive sciences 5.2 Economics and Business	
	Známka: diferencováno dle OP1-6 (FORD 1–6) OP5 – cca 67 % oborových kapacit instituce. V Modulu 1 převažují výsledky s hodnocením stupněm 4 a 3. Kvalita výsledků hodnocených v Modulu 1 celkově tedy není příliš vysoká; hodnocení C-D. V Modulu 2 byl vykázán jen malý počet článků, report 1 pro Modul 2 nebyl pro tuto VŠ z důvodu nízkého počtu výstupů generován. Za celé hodnotící období mají v Modulu 2 evidováno pouze šest článků v Q4 – Economics and Business, čtyři články v sociální geografii (časopis Sustainability) a pouze jeden článek v kvalitnějším časopisu, což odpovídá hodnocení D. Celkově za OP5 navrženo hodnocení D.	
	OP2 – cca 16 % oborových kapacit instituce. V Modulu 1 pouze jeden výsledek hodnocený stupněm 4. Publikační činnost je mizivá a neodpovídá stejně jako počet výsledků hodnocených v Modulu 1 uváděným oborovým kapacitám. Celkově hodnocení D. OP1 – cca 17 % oborových kapacit instituce. Kumulativně v Modulu 1 je jen jeden výsledek hodnocený stupněm 5 v kritériu Společenská relevance. V Modulu 2 také málo výsledků, bibliometrický profil nebyl proto generován, celkově hodnocení D. V kumulaci 65 % vybraných výsledků bylo ale hodnoceno stupněm 4 nebo 5.	
Modul 3	Známka: B – Velmi dobrá Summary IEP (MEP) ² : ŠAU is the exemplary case for the mutually beneficial relationship between university/academia and the industry. Evidently, the main strength of ŠAU has been its reliance on and its intimate relationship with ŠA. It is the obvious interest of ŠAU to maximise the results it can gain from such potential. Its research orientation is more applied than base research; yet it should not mean that ŠAU refrains from the territory of the latter. While excellent basic research is not yet developed, there has been some diversification in recent years.	

¹ dle Portfolia zaslaného vysokou školou na základě požadavku RVVI 2022-2023, resp. dle údajů RIV in Modul 2 (Report II. - oborové kapacity a produktivita autorů a autorek podle údajů v RIV). Z důvodu odlišné metodologie součet nemusí činit 100 %.

² International Evaluation Panel / Mezinárodní evaluační panel

It is impressive how successfully the university managed to increase the number and size of its contract-based research grants related to the various applied fields. The research projects at ŠAU are a comprehensive initiative that combines innovative technological development with practical industry applications and educational integration. This multifaceted approach ensures that the research not only advances automotive technology but also provides valuable learning opportunities for students. ŠAU presents a relatively coherent and stable research profile, with activities that are well-aligned with its applied, professionally oriented focus.

The university has been involved in various research projects that have significant implications for society. Practical implementation of research findings is crucial. Simultaneous development processes have been successfully applied in university-industry collaborations to address economic, performance, and environmental concerns in automotive applications. The institution's public outreach is at a reasonable level, although international recognition and broader academic impact remain limited.

ŠAU faces some weaknesses, including limited scope, market volatility, lower prestige, a limited range of study programs, and unsatisfactory research output. These factors collectively impact their ability to compete with traditional universities. Addressing these weaknesses requires strategic efforts to diversify programs, enhance research capabilities, and improve overall institutional adaptability and prestige.

In more concrete terms, the self-evaluation is correctly written, trying to adequately answer all questions. The data provided by the university have been put together accurately and have been very useful.

Nevertheless, the general impression is that ŠAU is much stronger in individual based projects than in ŠAU/institute-wide ones. Its success largely depends on the capacity and ability of its individuals. This has been reflected by the report itself. While the document gives long lists of detailed activities of its individual members, the university somewhat failed to provide a more aggregate view of its achievements and challenges as a community. A university is naturally more than just the sum of its elements.

Overall, the evaluated unit's performance rather corresponds to the level that can be expected from a smaller, professionally profiled institution with well-established internal processes but not yet fully developed research excellence in terms of international recognition and diversity of outputs.

The changes implemented in the past five years mark a trend in awareness of the potential of becoming more significant in producing original research and not only in being very good in contract research.

While it still shows a lack of academic reputation caused by its ownership and the focus on applied contract research, ŠAU is on a good path. Results will come in the next years, if the plans of the new rectorate are implemented. Focus will be crucial! The first step should be the relentless effort to implement the new international strategy as presented during the onsite visit.

Známka: C – Průměrná

Summary IEP (MEP): ŠAU has evolved into a well-structured, applied university with strong industry alignment. While international recognition and research excellence remain in development, recent organizational reforms, infrastructure investments, and strategic planning position ŠAU for significant growth. The university demonstrates robust capacity to enhance its

	reputation, diversify research outputs, and strengthen international collaborations. ŠAU has a well-structured organization and management of R&D&I, with a development plan coherent with its mission and vision, optimal level research infrastructure and a growing network of research cooperation both at national and international level. The previous evaluation brought an opportunity for ŠAU to access LRCDO and to implement the recommendations received from the IEP. The fact that its budget is largely privately funded implies a strong alignment in teaching and research to the needs of the automotive sector, and this is a leverage to create a unique institution at national level and a relevant partner at international level, but it also poses a risk. ŠAU has undeniably made robust and solid efforts to radically increase its presence on the international scene of academic research. Although in terms of successful grant applications, they still need to wait for success of international grant applications, the necessary back-office help and support, along with the procedural infrastructure, are set up. ŠAU also paid attention to the human resources and contracted high profile researchers for the job. While structures have recently been revised and promising measures introduced, their impact is expected to become more visible during the next evaluation cycle.
Modul 5	Známka: B – Velmi dobrá Summary IEP (MEP): All the dimensions under analysis in Modul 5 have been carefully presented by the evaluated unit, ŠAU proving willingness and competences to adapt to the necessary changes in order to achieve a coherent development, as foreseen in the strategic plan and aligned with the priority objectives for R&D&I at national level. ŠAU developed a clear and well-defined mission and vision, suitable for a relatively small unit aiming for an ambition positioning both in teaching and research especially linked to the needs of the automotive industry. The evaluated institution has made visible progress in its strategic thinking and institutional instruments for R&D&I, redesigning itself to foster the transition towards a more balanced research and teaching profile. The process might have started somewhere around 2023-2024. Some results can be seen already by now, but most of the fruits can be harvested only later on. The transitory period seemed not to overburden the university and staff feedback indicates general satisfaction with the ongoing changes.
Souhrnné hodnocení na úrovni poskytovatele	Celková známka: C – Průměrná Summary IEP (MEP): Škoda Auto University (ŠAU) is the exemplary case for the mutually beneficial relationship between university/academia and the industry. Evidently, the main strength of ŠAU has been its reliance on and its intimate relationship with Škoda Auto company (ŠA). It is the obvious interest of ŠAU to maximise the results it can gain from such potential. Nevertheless, the relationship can be a threat as well due to the uncertain situation of the automotive industry globally and locally. ŠAU's research orientation is more applied than base research; yet it should not mean that ŠAU refrains from the

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	<i>Analýza výsledků hodnocení VŠ provedená poskytovatelem s podporou stanoviska OPO³ (EAC Statement on the 2025 Evaluation of Higher Education Institutions) ukazuje, že ŠAVŠ výrazně nevybočuje z obecných trendů hodnocení. V roce 2020 byla ŠAVŠ hodnocena jako D. ŠAVŠ je konzistentně hodnocena D na národní úrovni.</i> <i>MŠMT dochází k závěru, že hodnocení MEP bylo konzistentní. Na základě hraničních známek poskytovatele C a z národní úrovně D bude pro finální stanovení hodnocení nezbytné srovnání s dalšími obdobnými VŠ během jednání tripartity.</i>
	Zástupci Rady pro výzkum, vývoj a inovace po diskusi vyjádřili souhlas s navrženým hodnocením dané vysoké školy. Tripartita dospěla k názoru, že ve srovnání s obdobnými VŠ nebylo zatím dosaženo kvality odpovídající hodnocení C. Tripartita dospěla ke konsensu o přiřazení celkového hodnocení D_{VŠ}.
IP DKRVO	Vysoká škola je příjemcem IP DKRVO.

³ Odborný poradní orgán poskytovatele pro hodnocení výzkumných organizací v segmentu vysokých škol v roce 2025 / Expert Advisory Committee for Evaluation in the Higher Education Institutions Segment