

## 598524-EPP-1-2018-1-ES-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP

## Project Information

Reference Number	598524-EPP-1-2018-1-ES-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP
Application Title	Female Academic Role Model Empowerment, Equality and Sustainability at Universities in Mediterranean Region: towards 2030 Agenda
Application Acronym	FREE
Action Code	CBHE-JP
Applicant Organisation	UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE EDUCACION A DISTANCIA (ES)
Project Start Date	15-Jan-2019
Project End Date	14-Jan-2022
Duration (months)	36
Grant Requested	996,779.00
EUD Consultation	YES

## International Dimension

Regional Focus	Intra-Regional
Involved Regions	R3
Application Country	ES
Partner Countries	SY (2), LB (3), JO (2)
Programme Countries	LT (1), ES (2), DE (1)

## Project Characteristics, Aims and Objectives

Project Type	Multi-country project
Specific Activity	Modernisation of governance, management and functioning of HEIs
Subject/Thematic Area	Governance, strategic planning and management of HEIs
CBHE Aims	Support eligible Partner Countries to address the challenges facing their higher education institutions and systems, including those of quality, relevance, equity of access, planning, delivery, management, governance
	Support the modernisation, accessibility and internationalisation of the higher education field in the eligible Partner Countries
CBHE Objectives	Enhance the management, governance and innovation capacities, as well as the internationalisation of HEIs
	Improve the level of competences and skills in HEIs by developing new and innovative education programmes

## Project Summary

The situation for female academics in Mediterranean region is characterized by very low percentages of representation of women at mid and senior levels at HEIs in Lebanon, Syria and Jordan. Female academics can contribute to building and creating crucial impact in their HEIs. FREE aims to establish strategic focus in HEIs for CBHE and improving performance of female academics & building female role models in HE. FREE also aims to develop HEIs capacity and culture and supporting mechanisms for establishment of equality and sustainability centers to support female academics and students. FREE also aims to develop research centers in the scope gender equality, sustainability and female empowerment. FREE should develop the following outcomes:

1. Female academics are characterized by capacity and equipped with knowledge and experience as executive managers and institution leaders.

2. Female academics and students are characterized with institutional power, prepared with resources and knowledge of seeking professional support to deal different forms of inequality and discrimination

3. Development of scientific research in the scope of gender equality, sustainability and female empowerment  
The project should develop the following impact:

1. A generation of female academics characterized by human capacity, technical competencies, and managerial and leadership experience which would enable them to pursue career advancement. Higher percentages of female academics in workforce and achieving better representation at the entry, middle and senior levels. A generation of female academics characterized by power, higher levels of self-confidence, self-esteem and self-actualization.

2. Establishment of effective HEIs which emphasizes on gender equality and sustainable institutions which have egalitarian organizational cultures

3. Establishment of research centers in the scope of Sustainability and gender Equality at higher education institutions in LB, JR&SY.

## Project Partnership

Role	Region	Participant Organisation Name	Country
Contractor	EU	UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE EDUCACION A DISTANCIA	ES
Partner	EU	CARL VON OSSIETZKY UNIVERSITAET OLDENBURG	DE
Partner	EU	UNIVERSIDAD DE ALICANTE	ES
Partner	EU	VILNIAUS GEDIMINO TECHNIKOS UNIVERSITETAS	LT
Partner	R3	American University of Beirut	LB
Partner	R3	Arab International University	SY
Partner	R3	DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY	SY
Partner	R3	MODERN UNIVERSITY FOR BUSINESS AND SCIENCE	LB
Partner	R3	PETRA FOR EDUCATION	JO
Partner	R3	Princess Sumaya University for Technology	JO
Partner	R3	UNIVERSITE LIBANAISE	LB