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Project Information

Reference Number	610265-EPP-1-2019-1-HR-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP
Application Title	Enhancing Teaching, Learning and Graduate Employability through University-Enterprise Cooperation
Application Acronym	ELEGANT
Action Code	CBHE-JP
Project Start Date	15-Nov-2019
Project End Date	14-Nov-2022
Duration (months)	36
Grant Requested	968,814.00
EUD Consultation	YES

Coordinator

Name of Organisation	SVEUCILISTE U DUBROVNIKU
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International Dimension

Regional Focus	Intra-Regional
Involved Regions	R3
Application Country	HR
Partner Countries	LB (3), JO (4)
Programme Countries	UK (1), PT (1), IT (1), HR (1)

Project Characteristics, Aims and Objectives

Project Type	Multi-country project
Specific Activity	Strengthening of relations between HEIs and the wider economic and social environment
Subject/Thematic Area	University-enterprise cooperation, entrepreneurship and employability of graduates
CBHE Actions	Improve the quality of higher education and enhance its relevance for the labour market and society
CBHE Aims and Objectives	Contribute to the cooperation between the EU and the eligible Partner Countries (and amongst the eligible Partner Countries) Support the modernisation, accessibility and internationalisation of the higher education field in the eligible Partner Countries

Project Summary

This project aims to enhance university enterprise cooperation in JO and LB in order to improve teaching and learning experience of students and enhance the employability of graduate. The project responds to the widely

recognised problem that university graduates often lack the employability skills needed by employers and, in addition, their knowledge in the field of ICT is behind the state of the art and below that of companies they want to work in. The project aims to alleviate this problem by bringing Universities and enterprises closer together by establishing University-Enterprise Cooperation Networks. Through a range of activities (such as arranging internships for students at partner companies and involving qualified staff of companies in giving lectures at the universities and mentoring students who want to complete their projects and theses in companies) arranged by their newly established Liaison Offices, universities aim at building a programme of cooperation and developing student's knowledge of the world of work.

The project involves upgrading and updating of the capacities of University staff and improve the curricula of at least ten subjects in each university. Study periods to EU universities will be arranged to provide the updating and upgrading opportunities for Jordanian and Lebanese academic and technical staff during which they can improve their own knowledge of the latest development in their subjects and also upgrade the curricula of their subjects. The upgrading of the curricula consists of enhancing both scientific and technical skills of students as well as their employability skills. EU universities have been engaged in serious discussion about graduate employability and partner country staff can learn a great deal from this experience and take steps to produce 'work ready' graduates. EU staff will support the upgrading of curricula and engage in teaching in JO and LB institutions and help the internationalisation agenda.

Project Partnership

Role	Region	Participant Organisation Name	Country
Contractor	EU	SVEUCILISTE U DUBROVNIKU	HR
Partner	R3	AL-BALQA APPLIED UNIVERSITY	JO
Partner	R3	BEIRUT ARAB UNIVERSITY	LB
Partner	R3	Information and Communications Technology Association of Jordan (int@j)	JO
Partner	R3	JORDAN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	JO
Partner	R3	MODERN UNIVERSITY FOR BUSINESS AND SCIENCE	LB
Partner	R3	Princess Sumaya University for Technology	JO
Partner	R3	Syndicate of Computer Sciences in Lebanon	LB
Partner	EU	Psicoglobal - Serviços de Psicologia Lda.	PT
Partner	EU	STAFFORDSHIRE UNIVERSITY	UK
Partner	EU	UNIVERSITA POLITECNICA DELLE MARCHE	IT