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Strengthening Capacities and Digital Competences in Biomedical Education Through Internationalization at Home # BIOSINT

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E4.4 WORKSHOP FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW VIRTUAL COURSES

Faculty of Medicine, University of Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina

December 5-6, 2024

Meeting Minutes

Venue:

University of Tuzla, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Amphitheatre 2
 Dr. Tihomila Markovića 1, 75 000 Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Host Partner:

Faculty of Medicine, University of Tuzla

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Meeting Objectives

The primary goals of this workshop (WP4 - Development of New Virtual Courses) were: Define principles for deliverables **D3.2 Institutional Training, D3.3 Digital Protocols for International Students and Staff, and D3.4 Buddy Systems**

- Select and develop existing subjects for internationalization, defining course structure
- Assess the progress of each partner towards full implementation of virtual classrooms
- Establish a general framework for documents to be compiled and submitted to UES and UniKg for EU project portal submission





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Meeting Notes

Welcome Speech and Project Overview

- ❖ Prof. Dr. Jasmin Suljagić, Vice-Rector of the University of Tuzla, welcomed the participants, followed by an overview of the Faculty of Medicine presented by Prof. Melisa Lelić.
- ❖ KU Leuven representatives were unable to attend in person but joined online on the second day.

Partner Presentations & Discussion Points

- ❖ Challenges in Periodic Report Submission (Presented by Ass. Dr. Božidar Pindović, University of Kragujevac):

Key Deliverables and Deadlines

ECTS Credits Alignment Across Institutions

- ✓ Uniformity in credits is not mandatory

Piloting & Adoption of Courses

- ❖ Piloting Phase: March - June 2025
- ❖ Consortium teachers to facilitate courses

BIOSINT Template for Syllabi

- ❖ All syllabi must include:
 - ✓ BIOSINT logo
 - ✓ Erasmus+ co-funded logo
 - ✓ Faculty logo
 - ✓ BIOSINT disclaimer

Teacher Certification & Course Implementation

- ❖ Teacher Certificates
- ❖ Virtual Course Implementation



WORK PACKAGE 5 - Dissemination

- ❖ **Budget Allocation for Printing & Promotional Materials** (e.g., notes, pens, bags, bottles, USB sticks)
- ❖ **Project Website Development:** Collaboration between UMT and UES
- ❖ **Newsletter Updates:** UNISHK has six newsletters planned; two are completed
- ❖ **Research Papers:** Two university teams to publish papers on:
 - ✓ Challenges of Internationalization at Home in Western Balkan Countries (Biomedical Studies)
 - ✓ Buddy System Implementation (Original & Review Paper)
- ❖ **Student Satisfaction Surveys:** Integration into research & impact analysis

Financial Plan & Budget Reallocation

- ❖ **Current Status & Spending Analysis**
- ❖ **BIOSINT Partner Budget Adjustments** due to unspent funds
- ❖ **Next Steps:** Submit financial report & request reallocation of remaining funds
- ❖ **Proposal for Additional On-Site Meeting** organized by UniKG

MAIN PROJECT DELIVERABLES ACHIEVED ON DECEMBER 2024

Work Package 1: Project Management and Quality Assurance

- D1.1 Interim Report
- D1.2 Internal Quality Report
- D1.3 Consortium Agreement
- D1.4 Project Management Handbook

Work Package 2: Internationalization at Home (IaH) Framework

- D2.1 IaH Need-Based Reports – Identified key needs for internationalization.
- D2.2 Framework Map Road of IaH – Structured framework for implementation.
- D2.3 EU Trainings – Conducted capacity-building training sessions.

Work Package 3: Institutional Strategies and Support

- D3.1 Strategies for IaH at WB HEIs.
- D3.2 Institutional Trainings.
- D3.3 Digital Protocols for International Students and Staff.
- D3.4 Buddy Systems.





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Work Package 4: Digitalization and Virtual Learning

- D4.1 Training for Teachers in IoC
- D4.2 Internationalized Existing Courses
- D4.3 New Developed International Virtual Courses
- D4.4 Equipment for Digital Online Teaching Platform
- D4.5 Virtual Classrooms

Work Package 5: Dissemination and Sustainability

- D5.1 Dissemination and Exploitation Plan
- D5.2 Website with Report

Next Steps & Future Meetings

- 📌 Next On-Site Meeting: Tirana, June 5-6, 2025
- 📌 Regular Online Meetings: Every Monday, 13:00 - 14:00 CET
- 📌 Next Online Meeting: December 16, 2024

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