

AMED Project Web page Development

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Project: AMED: Advancing Higher Education in Maldives through E-learning Development



Project "AMED - Advancing higher education in Maldives through E-learning Development", approved by Erasmus+ programme - Strengthening capacities in high education in Key activities 2, started with its activities in January 2019.

This project has a goal to enable support of the modernization, approach and internationalization of high education placed in Maldives through academic teacher competences and skills promotion, considering new innovative education programs in E-learning.

Faculty of Organization and Informatics is coordinating this EU project, led by assoc. prof. Igor Balaban, PhD. Besides Maldives National University, project partners are also The Open University of Catalonia (UOC) and Croatian Academic and Research Network (CARNET). Total project budget is 720,592.00 €.

Project will be completed by January 2022.



AIM AND SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

The project aims to support the modernization, accessibility and internationalization of higher education in Maldives, by improving the level of competencies and skills of university teachers by developing new and innovative education programme in the field of e-learning.

The specific objectives are:

- Co-creation and piloting of a new study programme for professional development focusing on the use of ICT in education.
- Establishing institutional framework for e-learning at the Maldives National University by training of staff, improving IT infrastructure and (re)organization of departments to provide support to e-learning;
- Promotion of new forms of teaching and learning in Maldives, notably strategic use of open and flexible learning, lifelong learning, virtual mobility, open educational resources and better exploitation of the ICT potential by raising awareness, supporting leadership, engaging early adopters and developing a community of practice



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Next project meeting in Barcelona

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We are happy to inform you that our next project consortium meeting will be held in November 2019 at Universitat Oberta de Catalunya in Barcelona. During this meeting, ...

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Successful first meeting held in Maldives

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At the end of March, the AMED project team from UOC, FOI, ...

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The Official Ceremony to mark the beginning of AMED project

🕒 26.03.2019, 10:49 📍 Događaj, Zanimljivosti

The Official Ceremony to mark the beginning of AMED project is held at The Maldives National University with the presence of all project partner representatives, ...

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Kick-off meeting

🕒 15.01.2019, 09:06

With the beginning of the new year, AMED partners started with more intense preparations of the Kick off meeting that will be held in March, 2019, at the MNU, Maldives...

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AMED in Preparation Phase

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Following the signing of the AMED Grant Agreement, the coordinating institution, together with the project partners, started the preparation phase of the project. One of...

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Project lifecycle

The project draws up a plan of work organized within seven work packages. Three workpackages (WP4, WP6 and WP7) span the whole project life cycle while other work packages have specific timing within the project time plan. The project partners are expected to deliver 31 different activities within three years in order to achieve all project goals.

Start date: 15.01.2019

End date: 30.04.2019

Lead organization:
Faculty of Organization and Informatics

Participating organizations:

- The Open University of Catalonia
- Croatian Academic and Research Network
- The Maldives National University

WP1: Needs analysis and preparation

Inception phase of the project relates to identification of the current MNU internal and external practices and boundaries and identification of best practices around the world, as well as contextual factors and local needs and demands for e-learning innovation as potential inputs to the decision-making processes which will follow in the development phases (WP2 and WP3).

Expected deliverables:

- Desk analysis on MNU current practices, key stakeholders, organisational and legal framework
- Identification of the best practices and success stories - Maldives, EU and World
- Needs analysis and input from Key stakeholders

Start date: 01.05.2019

End date: 30.09.2020

Lead organization:
The Open University of Catalonia

Participating organizations:

- The Maldives National University
- Croatian Academic and Research Network
- Faculty of Organization and Informatics

WP2: Study programme co-creation

Within the project it will target professional development of teachers and decision makers (management) of MNU. But we envision its potential to be further scaled to a full 2-cycle degree programme for students of education, future teachers which would result in much broader application of e-learning and influence the whole education system in Maldives. This will be further investigated within the development and acceptance of the sustainability plan within the project.

Expected deliverables:

- Study programme structure
- Study materials

Start date: 02.05.2019

End date: 31.10.2019

Lead organization:
Croatian Academic and Research

WP3: Institutional framework for e-learning at MNU

WP3 will propose the needed changes including refining or re-prioritising policy and organisation-level, instruments and objectives, tracking result chains of different policies and organisation practice to e-learning development impacts. Within WP3 will be established an institutional framework for comprehensive development of e-

Start date: 15.01.2019

End date: 14.01.2022

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- The Open University of Catalonia

WP4: Quality assurance

Quality assurance process follows the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) Excellence Model which is adapted to take into account the objective of creating a self-sustainable programme by the end of the project.

Expected deliverables:

- Quality plan developed
- Quality control and evaluation of the project coordination and cooperation
- Quality control and evaluation of the study pilot implementation

Start date: 11.01.0021

End date: 15.11.2021

Lead organization:

The Maldives National University

Participating organizations:

- Croatian Academic and Research Network
- Faculty of Organization and Informatics
- The Open University of Catalonia

WP5: Implementation and sustainability of the study programme

Pilot implementation of the study programme for one academic year (2 semesters). Development and acceptance of the sustainability plan to ensure study programme stays live and in accordance to MNU strategic plan after the project implementation.

Expected deliverables:

- Study programme piloted
- Sustainability plan developed and approved by MNU

Start date: 15.01.2019

End date: 14.01.2022

Lead organization:

The Maldives National University

Participating organizations:

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- Faculty of Organization and Informatics
- The Open University of Catalonia

WP6: Dissemination

Dissemination activities will be focused on two target groups: on primary (MNU and project partner institution staff) and on secondary target group (general public on national and international level interested in advancing higher education and e-learning).

Expected results:

- Dissemination plan
- Project web page
- Policy dialog and recommendations

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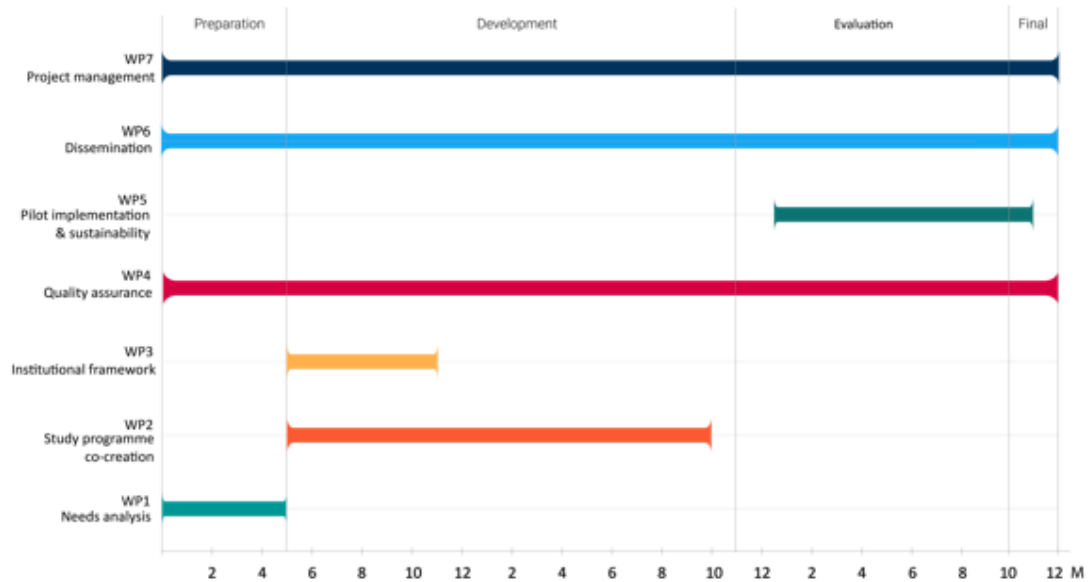
WP7: Project management

Project management will comprise the day-to-day management and communication at consortium level as well as with the contracting authority. This will include overseeing all aspects of quality assurance, risk assessment, financial reporting including audit. It will also include ensuring the full participation of partners in quick and efficient decision making.

Expected deliverables:

- Project meetings
- Project collaboration online platform
- Risk mitigation plan

Timeline



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Supporting institution

- Maldives Ministry of Education

**"The strength of the team is each individual member.
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