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Erasmus+ KA2 - Capacity Building in the field of Higher Education



TOWARDS
SUSTAINABLE NGOs
MANAGEMENT & OPERATION
WITH SPECIAL FOCUS
ON REFUGEES (MORALE)

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about **MORALE**

Morale Project is a structural project co-funded by the ERASMUS+ Programme of the European Union.

It aims at building the capacities of Syrian & Lebanese Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to train a new generation of high skilled professionals in Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) management & operation to enhance inclusion of refugees and the rebuilding of the South Mediterranean society.

MORALE Objectives

- To provide the NGOs labour market sector with high skilled professionals trained to effectively manage and operate in NGO environments by means of modernising Social & Behavioural Sciences related curricula and by offering lifelong courses targeting NGOs professionals at partner universities.
- To raise the awareness on the key role of HE in the provision of high level competences of the future NGOs professionals and strengthen inter-institutional cooperation among HEIs, NGOs and governments through targeted networking actions.

KICK OFF Meeting

Within the Erasmus+ program, co-funded by the ERASMUS+ Programme of the European Union,

Beirut Arab University (BAU) is the grant coordinator of the MORALE project, reference number - 598318-EPP-1-2018-1-LB-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP, co-funded by the ERASMUS+ Programme of the European Union:

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Beirut Arab University (BAU), organized the Kick Off meeting of this project. This event, hosted at BAU main campus in Beirut, was held on Monday 14th of October 2019 with the presence of Prof Amr Gala El Adawi, BAU President, Prof. Sobhi Abou Chahine Dean of Student Affairs, Coordinator of MORALE project, representative of Mr Fadi Yarak, Director General of Higher Education by interim in Lebanon, representative of Dr. Aref Alsoufi, Coordinator for the National Erasmus+ Office, NGO representatives, representatives of MORALE partners from Lebanon, Syria, Italy, Spain, Germany, Greece, BAU Deans and Faculty members.



OPENING SESSION

Professor Amr Galal El Adawi, President of BAU welcomed the participants and thanked the European Union to fund this project, he showed the experience of BAU in such projects, and he stressed that the specific objectives of the project are in line with relevant strategic objectives of Beirut Arab University.

Dr Amer Helwani, representative of NEO office in Lebanon, emphasized the importance of Erasmus+ project, and he talked about the existing running projects in Lebanon, by highlighting the active role of Beirut Arab University in this regard.

Prof Sobhi Abou Chahine, project coordinator, presented a general overview about the project objectives, the different work packages, the administrative and the financial management of the project. Then, the representatives of Director General of Higher Education by interim in Lebanon and 4 NGOs, presented some relevant activities for refugees and they showed their interest and support to cooperate in next events.

After that, each representative of partner institutions delivered a PowerPoint presentation for 10-15 minutes that includes an introduction to his/her institution, and related activities to the project.

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DURING THE MEETINGS, the following points were discussed and it was agreed that, **FOR THE MANAGEMENT WORK PACKAGE:**

- BAU as a grant holder/coordinator will finalize the partnership-agreements with each project partner.
- Task distribution among the partners is done, and the leader and co-leader for each work package were approved
- The guidelines, for implementing the project regarding: Staff costs, Travel costs, Costs of stay, equipment, Subcontracting, were explained, including specific measures for syrian partners
- The budget headlines were explained in full details
- The steering committee for the management of the project includes all contact persons
- The scientific committee consists of the work package leaders
- BAU will be the responsible for collecting the list of members of each Working Group.
- For the dissemination work package, DU and BAU will be the responsible for finalising:
 - The project website within two months
 - Facebook page within one month
 - Logo design within one month
 - Preparation of a dissemination plan
 - Posting the project on the website of each institution as soon as possible
- The quality workpackage was presented by the university of Alicante representative highlighting the scope of the internal and external quality measures. A quality committee will be formed by a representative from each partner institution. A quality questionnaire about the kick off meeting was distributed and completed by all participants.

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