IUCLAND – International University Cooperation on Land Protection in European-Asiatic Countries, is an educational project funded by Erasmus+ Programme under the Key Action 2 on "Cooperation

for innovation and the exchange of good practices".

The aim of IUCLAND is to foster international cooperation among partner Universities through the implementation of training activities (namely summer schools and workshops) dedicated to the topic of Land Degradation. Indeed, the project promotes international cooperation at both regional and cross-regional level, by allowing the interaction among European, Far East Asian and Central Asian partners.

About Land Degradation

Land degradation is a global problem, affecting about a guarter of the world's land area and impacts one out of three people, compromising welfare levels of populations that heavily depend on natural resources. International cooperation on Land Protection

Coherently with the regional and international effort at political level, IUCLAND proposes to improve the effectiveness of development and land protection strategies by increasing cooperation capacity and best practices productivity, though educational patterns involving Higher Education Institutions and all potential stakeholders.



The core activities implemented under the IUCLAND project are 6 summer schools, 11 workshops and a number of infoday Summer schools are training activities designed to improve students' knowledge about environment and land protection by means of frontal lessons, interactive activities and field experiences. Besides increasing land protection knowledge, these activities are designed to foster the cooperation and interaction among students from different nationalities. Each summer school have a duration of one week, involves students from all partner Universities and is organized in a different partner country namely Italy, Slovakia, Croatia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and China. Workshops are training activities held in remote mode (i.e. webinars) and focused on specific aspects of land degradation. This activity is addressed to students, researchers and stakeholders

Infodays are events organized by each project partner to inform students and stakeholders about the training activities of the project and to promote their active participation





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WP1 - PREPARATION

This Workpackage is dedicated to the preparation of Summer school and Workshop's on Land Degradation.

Summer School program preparation phase represents the first part of the preparation of training activities targeting postgraduate students (including PhD students). The summer schools will be organized in the 6 Countries (3 per year) and they will foresee 8 hours of frontal lessons (6 working days) on specific issues.

Workshops on various topics related to the Land Degradation will be organized by ech partner (11 workshop). They will be held in the form of webinar and will be addressed to academic and research staff of Partner Countries Universities and Research Centers.

TASK 1 Realization of a Baseline Study

TASK 2 Workshops' organization

TASK 3 Summer schools' organization

TASK 4 Assessment of administrative procedures

WP2 - DEVELOPMENT

WP2 is dedicated to the delivery of summer schools and workshops, and to implement the accreditation processes. An initial meeting related with the accreditation process will be organized in order to compare the existing accreditation procedures and to formulate a standard accreditation methodology. This procedure will be fundamental for the consolidation of a general agreement among all partners and for the establishment of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

TASK 1 Delivery of the workshops and preparation of the teaching material TASK 2 Delivery of the Summer Schools **TASK 3** Support to the accreditation processes **TASK 4** Follow up of international cooperation

WP4 - DISSEMINATION The activities of this work package aims at enhancing the visibility of the project and of its activities. To this end, the project staff will fully exploit the communication opportunities provided by the project website, the infodays, the dissemination material on the final conference.



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WP3 - QUALITY PLAN

This Work Package is dedicated to planning and implementation of a set of activities aimed at guarantee the quality of all project activities. The quality monitoring will be conducted on two different layers: on one side, internal quality monitoring will aim at evaluating the compiance of each project task with the correspondent quality standards and procedures; on the other side, external quality monitoring will concern the collection, evaluation and implementation of feedbacks from external participants with regards to outreaching activities, namely workshops and summer schools.

TASK 1 Definition of quality procedures and methods

- **TASK 2** Monitoring of project activities **TASK 3** Monitoring for workshops and summer schools

- **TASK 1** Website realization and maintenance
- **TASK 2** Webinar platform testing
- **TASK 3** Dissemination material
- TASK 4 Organization of the info days and final conference
- **TASK 5** Contribution to the exploitation process

WP5 - MANAGEMENT

The main objective of the management of this project is to guarantee the achievement of the intermediate and final goals of the project with respect to the fixed deadlines, defined budget, declared scope and defined quality.