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Inclusive Innovation for Development / AHEAD**

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Agenda: AHEAD kick-off meeting

February 26-28, 2018

Università degli studi del Molise
Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Food Sciences (DAEFS)
Via Francesco de Sanctis, 86100 Campobasso, Italy

Sunday February 25, 2018	
During the day: Arrival of the meeting participants in Rome; Transfer to Campobasso * Check-in: Hotel Centrum Palace , Giambattista Vico 2/A, 86100 Campobasso Dinner arrangements <p style="text-align: right;"><i>* depending on the travel itinerary of the meeting participants</i></p>	

Monday February 26, 2018		
Time	Topic	Responsible Partner
9:00 – 9:30	Registration and coffee	
9:30 – 9:35	Welcoming note by the hosting partner	Prof Antonio De CRISTOFARO & Prof Arturo ALVINO University of Molise (UoM, IT)
9:35 – 9:45	Welcoming note by the Project Coordinator Overview of the agenda	Prof Liviu MOLDOVAN Petru Maior University of Targu Mures (UPM, RO)
9:45 – 11:00	AHEAD project overview Overview of work packages, intellectual outputs and activities, work programme and schedule of the project	Dr Gergana DIMITROVA European Center for Quality (ECQ, BG)
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
11:20 – 13:30	AHEAD project overview Overview of work packages, intellectual outputs and activities, work programme and schedule of the project	Dr Gergana DIMITROVA ECQ, BG
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch	

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14:30 – 16:00	Financial management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Partnership Agreements</i> ▪ <i>Project financing:</i> Budget, eligible costs, co-financing and reporting mechanisms ▪ <i>Project monitoring:</i> 6-month monitoring reports ▪ <i>Interim and final reporting to the Executive Agency</i> 	Prof Liviu MOLDOVAN UPM, RO
16:00 – 16:30	Financial management Questions and answers session	All partners
16:30 – 16:50	Coffee break	
16:50 – 17:00	Communication, coordination and collaboration between partners during the project Skype working meetings, emailing, shared google drive, working groups, etc.	Prof Liviu MOLDOVAN UPM, RO
17:00 – 17:30	Universities as actors in the regional and national innovation systems	Dr Eng. Elena HARPA UPM, RO & Dr Gergana DIMITROVA ECQ, BG
17:30 – 18:00	Inclusive innovation for development Overview of the concept of inclusive innovation and inclusive innovation strategies	Dr Gergana DIMITROVA ECQ, BG
18:00 – 19:00	Free time	
19:00	Social dinner	

Tuesday February 27, 2018		
Time	Topic	Responsible Partner
9:00 – 10:00	Guidance and benchmarking tools for <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ national innovation system analysis▪ institutional self-assessment Presentation of the first version of the tools (performance metrics and benchmarking areas)	Prof Izabela WARWAS SAN, PL
10:00 – 11:00	EU universities as actors in the regional and national innovation systems: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Good practices from Birmingham City University- Good practices from University of Molise	Dr Charlotte CAREY Birmingham City University (BCU, UK) Dr Simona ZAMPINO University of Molise (UoM, IT)
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
SESSION ON NATIONAL INNOVATION SYSTEMS		
11:20 – 11:40	Kenyan innovation system	Prof Vincent ONYWERA Kenyatta University (KenU, Kenya)
11:40 – 12:00	Ugandan innovation system	Mr. Onan MULUMBA Makerere University (MU, Uganda)

12:00 – 12:20	Tanzanian innovation system	Dr Yahya SHEIKH & Dr Umayra EL NABAHANY The State University of Zanzibar (SUZA, Tanzania) & Dr Joseph MATIKO Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT, Tanzania)
12:20 – 13:00	Discussion and joint development of the template for background reports on National Innovation Systems in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania Applicability of the performance metrics and benchmarks to the context of the Partner Countries	All partners, discussion moderated by Prof Izabela WARWAS SAN, PL
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
SESSION ON INNOVATION ECOSYSTEMS AT PARTNER UNIVERSITIES		
14:00 – 14:10	Innovation ecosystem at Kenyatta University (KenU)	Prof Frederick GRAVENIR KenU, Kenya
14:10 – 14:20	Innovation ecosystem at Kibabii University (KibU)	Dr Paul OBINO KibU, Kenya
14:20 – 14:30	Innovation ecosystem at Makerere University (MU)	Dr Alison A. KINENGYERE MU, Uganda
14:30 – 14:40	Innovation ecosystem at Catholic University of Eastern Africa (CUEA)	Prof Joseph ONGERI CUEA, Kenya
14:40 – 14:50	Innovation ecosystem at Kisii University (KisU)	Prof Alfred SHITANDI KisU, Kenya
14:50 – 15:00	Innovation ecosystem at Dar Es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT)	Dr Joseph MATIKO DIT, Tanzania
15:00 – 16:10	Innovation ecosystem at The State University of Zanzibar (SUZA)	Dr Yahya SHEIKH & Dr Umayra EL NABAHANY SUZA, Tanzania
16:10 – 16:20	Innovation ecosystem at Kyambogo University (KyaU)	Dr Lawrence ERON KyaU, Uganda
16:20 – 16:30	Innovation ecosystem at Lira University (LU)	Prof Okaka Opio DOKOTUM LU, Uganda
16:30 – 16:40	Innovation ecosystem at Mount Kenya University (MKU)	Dr Peter G. KIRIRA MKU, Kenya
16:40 – 17:00	Coffee break	
17:00 – 17:30	Joint development of the Guidance and benchmarking tool for institutional self-assessment Working in groups; assessing applicability of the tool to the institutional context Group.1 (6 people) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ KenU x 2 participants▪ KibU x 2 participants▪ UPM x 1 participant▪ BCU x 1 participant	Discussion moderated by BCU, UK

	<p>Group.2 (6 people)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MU x 2 participants ▪ KyaU x 2 participants ▪ UPM x 1 participant ▪ BCU x 1 participant <p>Group.3 (6 people)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CUEA x 2 participants ▪ KisU x 2 participants ▪ UoM x 1 participant ▪ SAN x 1 participant <p>Group.4 (6 people)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DIT x 2 participants ▪ SUZA x 2 participants ▪ UoM x 1 participant ▪ ECQ x 1 participant <p>Group.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LU x 2 participants ▪ MKU x 2 participants ▪ SAN x 1 participant ▪ ECQ x 1 participant 	<p><i>Discussion moderated by UPM, UK</i></p> <p><i>Discussion moderated by SAN, PL</i></p> <p><i>Discussion moderated by UoM, IT</i></p> <p><i>Discussion moderated by ECQ, BG</i></p>
17:30 – 17:40	<p>Joint development of the Guidance and benchmarking tool for institutional self-assessment</p> <p>Summary of results of group sessions, sharing and discussing improvement suggestions</p>	<p><i>All partners, discussion moderated by Prof Izabela WARWAS SAN, PL</i></p>
17:40 – 18:00	<p>Joint development of the template for Institutional Innovation and Research Capacity Self-Assessment Reports</p>	<p><i>All partners, discussion moderated by Prof Izabela WARWAS SAN, PL</i></p>
18:00 – 18:30	<p>Next meeting arrangements</p>	<p><i>Discussion moderated by Prof Liviu MOLDOVAN UPM, RO</i></p>
18:30 – 19:30	<p>Free time</p>	
19:30	<p>Social dinner</p>	

Wednesday February 28, 2018		
Time	Topic	Responsible Partner
09:00 – 09:30	<p>Work package 1 upcoming activities & deadlines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National innovation system analyses (Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda) ▪ Institutional innovation and research capacity self-assessment reports ▪ Fine-tuning and priority roadmap ▪ Deadlines 	<p><i>All partners, discussion moderated by Prof Izabela WARWAS SAN, PL</i></p>
09:30 – 10:30	<p>Dissemination, Visibility and Exploitation of the Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dissemination plan ▪ Erasmus+ requirements for project dissemination 	<p><i>Dr Evgenia NIKULINA ECQ, BG</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual identity of the AHEAD project Dissemination activities of all partners in the following six months 	
10:30 – 11:00	Planning of stakeholder involvement in the project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lists of stakeholders to be involved in the project Approaches for stakeholder involvement Commencement of the stakeholder update process 	<i>All partners, discussion moderated by Dr Evgenia NIKULINA ECQ, BG</i>
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
11:20 – 12:00	Evaluation panel Providing feedback about the working sessions Debriefing and end of the working sessions	<i>Dr Gergana DIMITROVA ECQ, BG</i>
12:00 – 13:30	Working meetings between the coordinators and individual partner organizations Individual consultations	
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 – 16:00	Working meetings between the coordinators and individual partner organizations Individual consultations	
16:00 – 19:00	Networking activities	
19:00	Social dinner	

Thursday March 1, 2018

During the day:

Transfer of the meeting participants from Campobasso to Rome and departure*

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