

MINUTES OF THE SIXTH PMC MEETING

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for the Western Balkans HEIs and stakeholders

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1. Introduction

This document reports the sixth PMC meeting of the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in the Field of Higher Education project „Strengthening of master curricula in water resources management for the Western Balkans HEIs and stakeholders“ (SWARM), held in a hybrid mode (on-line using Zoom as a tool for the meeting and in-person applying all measures for organizing meetings in the COVID-19 period) on 9th September 2021. The meeting was chaired by Milan Gocić.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss future project activities in more details. All project partners took part into this meeting, excluding representatives from the UNS.

The meeting agenda was adopted without changes.

2. Project Management Committee meeting

Speakers:

Milan Gocić, University of Nis (UNI)

Zakhar Maletskyi, Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU)

Mladen Milanović, University of Nis (UNI)

Panagiotis Prinos, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH)

Maria Manuela Portela, University of Lisbon (UL)

Petar Filkov, University of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy (UACEG)

Barbara Karleuša, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Civil Engineering (UNIRIFCE)

Daniel Wildt, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU)

Summary:

Meeting started at 10:00.

Milan Gocić opened the meeting and said that two institutions have accredited their study programmes, two reaccredited modernized study programmes and three institutions modernized and adopted their study programmes by their internal bodies. We are waiting for decisions from AASKM and UPKM. The first generation of SWARM students have been enrolled. During next few months, the rest of the WB HEIs will enrol the first generation of students.

Zakhar Maletskyi presented activities in WP4. He highlighted two most important activities i.e. realization of master curricula and implementation of trainings for professionals in the water sector. He said that UNSA, UNS and UPKM have implemented the first year of their study programmes and that they should provide self-evaluation reports. The on-line training was organized successfully in

cooperation with the following HEIs: UNMO, UNS, UoM, UNI, UNSA in collaboration with the colleagues from the PWMC VV. AASKM and UPKM organized their trainings in-person in June.

Mladen Milanović presented three topics related to the promotional activities and WP6. As a first topic, he presented implemented dissemination activities. For the successful realization of the SWARM project goals, it is necessary to promote the project and to introduce the public to the project benefits.

Promoting the SWARM project has been planned using the:

- Website of the project (www.swarm.ni.ac.rs),
- Social media,
- Different promo materials,
- Webinar – Frontiers in Water Resource Management and
- Direct promotion of the SWARM at the project member Universities.

As a second topic, he presented the activity focused on organized info days for student enrolment. In total, seven events organized. AASKM and UNS should organize info days. The produced materials such as brochures and leaflets for promoting study programmes were presented.

As a third topic, he presented six organised roundtables for the non-academic sector. During the roundtables, training for professionals in the water sector was presented. Training objectives were:

- Learn concepts in water resource management and water policy,
- Gain skills in managing the quality of storm waters,
- Gain skills on water quality, its components and interventions,
- Understand the causes of water resource conflicts and resolution measures,
- Gain skills on water supply waste management techniques,
- Gain skills in using IT tools in water resource management.

One of excellent suggestion was to involve partners from programme countries in the roundtable implementation similar UNI was done.

Milan Gocić talked about symposium organization for the promotion of water resources management in WB countries. The draft version of the symposium was presented. The symposium will be organized in a hybrid mode (online and in-person). All participant will receive the Guide with the COVID-19 measures that should be followed during the stay on the Faculty of Technical Sciences until Monday 20th September 2021. The session chairs were selected.

Partners from programme counties presented their plans for the organization of planned schools for WB students. In the following table the period for the organization was defined for each institution. The minimum number of students per school should be 4 and maximum 7.

Institution	Period
BOKU	15-26 November 2021
NMBU	25 October to 5 November 2021
UNIRIFCE	15-26 November 2021
UACEG	29 November to 10 December 2021
AUTh	6-17 December 2021
UL	31 January to 11 February 2022

The meeting finished at 13:50 h.

ANNEX I – Sixth PMC meeting agenda

Friday, 10 th September 2021		
1 Hristo Smirnenski Blvd		
Sixth Project Management Committee meeting		
Moderator: Milan Gocić		
09:30-10:00	Project Management Committee participants registration	
10:00-10:15	Accreditation/modernization of study programmes	Milan Gocić, UNI
10:15-10:45	Report on implemented trainings	Zakhar Maletskyi, NMBU
	Implementation of study programmes	Harsha Ratnaweera, NMBU
10:45-11:00	Disinfection break / Coffee break	
11:00-11:15	Implemented dissemination activities	Slaviša Trajković, UNI Mladen Milanović, UNI
11:15-11:30	Info days for student enrolment	Slaviša Trajković, UNI Mladen Milanović, UNI
11:30-11:45	Roundtables with non-academic sector	Slaviša Trajković, UNI Mladen Milanović, UNI
11:45-12:00	Disinfection break / Coffee break	
12:00-12:45	Symposium “Water Resources Management: New Perspectives and Innovative Practices”	Milan Gocić, UNI
12:45-13:45	Winter/summer schools programme and trainings of WB teaching staff	Milan Gocić, UNI Panagiotis Prinos, AUTH Maria Manuela Portela, UL Daniel Wildt, Michael Tritthart, BOKU Zakhar Maletskyi, NMBU Barbara Karleuša, UNIRIFCE Petar Filkov, UACEG
13:45-14:00	General discussion and closing the meeting	

ANNEX II – Attendance list

No.	Name	Institution acronym	Type of participation
1	Milan Gocić	P1-UNI	In-person
2	Slaviša Tajković	P1-UNI	In-person
3	Mladen Milanović	P1-UNI	In-person
4	Michael Tritthart	P2-BOKU	In-person
5	Daniel Wildt	P2-BOKU	In-person
6	Zakhar Maletskyi	P3-NMBU	Online
7	Panagiotis Prinos	P4-AUTH	In-person
8	Petar Filkov	P5-UACEG	In-person
9	Maria Mavrova-Guirguinova	P5-UACEG	In-person
10	Silvia Lacova	P5-UACEG	In-person
11	Barbara Karleuša	P6-UNIRIFCE	Online
12	Bojana Horvat	P6-UNIRIFCE	Online
13	Maria Manuela Portela	P7-UL	Online
14	Rodrigo Proenca de Oliveira	P7-UL	Online
15	Emina Hadžić	P9-UNSA	Online
16	Ammar Šarić	P9-UNSA	Online
17	Mili Selimotić	P10-UNMO	Online
18	Marko Čeček	P10-UNMO	Online
19	Aleksandra Petrović	P11-UPKM	In-person
20	Nebojša Arsić	P11-UPKM	In-person
21	Jelena Rajović	P12-AASKM	Online
22	Goran Sekulić	P13-UoM	Online
23	Biljana Šćepanović	P13-UoM	Online
24	Olivera Gavrilović	P14-PWMC VV	Online

ANNEX III – Accompanying photos









