

Scientific + Steering Committee March 12th 2020

Participants:

- Giorgia Bulli, Giulia Mascagni, Sheyla Moroni (University of Florence)
- David Alonso, Andres Arias (UCM)
- Jorge Ferreira, Pablo Alvarez Perez (ISCTE)
- Galsvinda Biba, Visar Dizdari (University of Shkoder)
- Elisabeta Osmanaj (University of Elbasan)
- Rudina Rama (University of Tirana)
- Visar Dizdari, Galsvinda Biba (University of Shkoder)
- Laura Bini (OAS)

At 11:00 the meeting is opened.

The discussion develops following the agenda.

1. DISCUSSION ON THE ANSWER RECEIVED FROM THE PROJECT OFFICER AND ON THE POSSIBLE SCENARIOS OF CARRYING OUT THE ACTIVITIES IN THE REMAINING MONTHS OF THE PROJECT.

Giorgia Bulli remembers to the assembly that, as a consequence of the spreading of Covid19, on February 25th she asked instruction to the project officer with regards to the possibility of postponing the training session on the internship procedures and to consider eligible the costs related to the changing or to the cancelling of the flights already booked. The answer arrived march 10th, and referred to the following link:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/about-eacea/news/news/information-for-beneficiaries-whose-activities-are-impacted-coronavirus_en

The communication is the following: "Being the general principle the fact that the existence of an event of "force majeure" suitable to concretely hinder the ordinary implementation of the planned actions will be analyzed on a "case-by-case" basis, and in due time, i.e. when the eligibility of the costs will be assessed"

Each partner reports on the state of emergency and the restrictive measures in the respective country. The situation is getting worse at each national level (Spain, Portugal, Albania), and it is now recognized as critical at the international level (<https://www.statnews.com/2020/03/11/who-declares-the-coronavirus-outbreak-a-pandemic/>).

Given the above mentioned situation, and considering that Albania as projects' beneficiary country is experiencing increasing measures of restriction to the ordinary mobility, all representatives of the Steering and Scientific Committee converge in considering a possible request to the EACEA of an extension of the project deadline by 3 to 6 months.

Giorgia Bulli reminds that the EACEA did not make any official communication on this particular point. It will be therefore necessary to communicate to the project officer the worries expressed by the members of the Steering and Scientific committee on the possibility of respecting the aims of the project within the current deadline.

2. POSSIBILITY TO RESCHEDULE (MAYBE IN AN ONLINE VERSION?) THE TRAINING SESSION IN SHKODER ABOUT THE INTERNSHIP GUIDELINES

Giorgia Bulli, in light of what was decided in point one, suspends the decision on point 2 evaluating it as a consequence of the officer's future indications³.

3. [DISCUSSING ABOUT THE NEXT CONSOLIDATION TRAINING SCHEDULED FOR 20-24 APRIL IN MADRID](#)

David Alonso confirms that at the moment, it is unlikely to keep the appointment on the agenda and it is also difficult to say if it will be possible to recover it before the summer;

Giorgia Bulli recalls how one solution would be to postpone it to the month of June, when the final management meeting is also scheduled. The participants agree on the fact that, should the national and international situation preserve the current features of emergency, it would be possible to postpone the Consolidation Training and the Management meeting to the month of September 2020. This question also remains pending, due to the above-mentioned uncertainties.

[EXTRA AGENDA - LINKED TO POINT 3: PROBLEM OF CANCELLATION AND AT LEAST OF POSSIBLE REFUND OF TICKETS ALREADY PURCHASED FOR MADRID'S TRAINING ACTIVITIES](#)

Rudina Rama raises the question by recalling that TIRANA has already purchased 7 flight TICKETS to participate to the consolidation training in Madrid. She confirms that she will inquire with the travel agency for terms and methods of refunding. She also emphasizes the detail that the purchased flights have a scheduled stop on Rome.

SHKODER did not buy yet any ticket to Madrid.

ELBASAN: bought 2 tickets to Madrid

4. [INTERNAL FINANCING MONITORING](#)

Giorgia Bulli explains that she will ask Ilaria Cavaciocchi about the internal financial monitoring.

5. [INTERNAL OUTPUTS MONITORING](#)

Giorgia Bulli reminds that the file containing the synthesis of the projects' output has been sent per email. One by one communications with the single partners will follow in the next week. Giorgia Bulli expresses the wish that the next weeks can be the occasion for an assessment of the state of the art of the production of the official projects' deliverables and outputs.

6. [FINAL CONFERENCE IN TIRANA.](#)

Rudina Rama: raises the question of evaluating the feasibility of organizing a final conference with the formula of the scientific conference

7. [CUADERNOS DE TRABAJO SOCIAL](#)

Giorgia Bulli informs the partners that she has received an invitation to write a paper regarding the project as a follow up of her presentation during the EASSW 2019 in Madrid. The abstract sent included all the names of the coordinators of the universities included in the project. The deadline for submitting the article is May 24th. Giorgia Bulli asks therefore to communicate within next week if someone is interested in participating in writing the article with her.

The meeting closes at 11.50