

Project goals and status at month 6

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Project goals (summary)

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General Objective:

Creation of the interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary curriculum and educational network to train professional working in the domain of services to assist humans with special needs

Indicators of progress:

- 1. Co-operation agreements between the educational network and stakeholders for placements of professionals into the new curriculum.
- 2. More people included in the life-long learning of new job-required skills

How indicators will be measured:

- 1. Delivery of services measured by the quality and quantity.
- 2. Measurable and verifiable usage of resources developed by the project

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Indicators of progress:

- 1. Increased interest for the new curriculum from professionals.
- 2. Increased interest from the stakeholders for the professionals with skills in improved delivery of services.
- 3. Better efficiency which follows the new curriculum and teaching methodology.

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How indicators are measured:

- 1. Accredited curriculum for the academic master degree.
- 2. Number of trainees enrolled into the curriculum
- 3. Network for the e-learning and support for project based learning.

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Assumptions & risks:

- 1. Partners commitment to implement the new curriculum
- 2. Network coordinator institutional support
- 3. Stakeholders involved in the services to humans with special needs support.

WP 1. Development/maintenance of the network and forming of the core of experts for the delivery of the curriculum

(Main responsibility: Institute "Mihajlo Pupin", BU)

- 1. Report & manual on methods for network integration
- 2. Demonstration and Training Centre formed
- 3. Purchased IT hardware for the web services
- 4. E-learning & knowledge management platform developed
- 5. Operational teaching facility & e-learning services

WP 2. Design of new courses and restructured existing courses with supporting teaching materials (Main responsibility: Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, BU)

- 2.1 Report on the existing syllabi
- 2.2 Restructured Syllabi and Programs for all courses
- 2.3 Prepared and printed all the teaching materials
- 2.4 Number of trained staff

WP 3. Development of the Laboratory facilities for the new curriculum

(Main responsibility: State University of Novi Pazar)

- 3.1 Report on state of the art learning related laboratories and preparation of the request for new equipment
- 3.2 Report on the new equipment purchased and installed
- 3.3 Training of the laboratory staff and teachers

WP 4. Implementation the new curriculum

(Main responsibility: University of Novi Sad)

- 4.1 Accredited new study programs
- 4.2 Initial implementation of the curriculum
- 4.3 Trainees placement strategy developed

WP 5. Quality control

(Main responsibility: Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, BU)

Project quality monitoring

WP 7. Sustainability

(Main responsibility: Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, BU)

Planning and evential provision of means for the

longevity of the new master program

WP 6. Dissemination

(Main responsibility: Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, BU)

- 6.1 Interactive project web portal
- 6.2 Organization of information days
- 6.3 Publication of brochures, newsletters, flyers
- 6.4 Media promotions

WP 8. Management

(Main responsibility: Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, BU)

- 8.1 Project management and communication with project partners that allows smooth and effective work.
- 8.2 Organization of local meetings and activities, and assistance in organization of wokrshops and other meetings with partners
- 8.3 Management of meetings, preparation of decisions and reports

Indicators of progress:

- 1. Defined outcomes for new courses
- 2. Defined syllabi for the curriculum
- 3. New knowledge transfer methodology developed and implemented
- 4. Purchased laboratory and network hardware/software installed and tested
- 5 .Teaching material published in e-format
- 6. Project quality control provided
- 7. Project management harmonized and synchronized with the phases of the development of the curriculum, laboratories and network e-learning capacity
- 8. Sustainability of project results ensured.
- 9. Constant communication to ensure the flow of information between partners

How indicators will be measured:

- Number of revised curricula
- 2. Number of new curricula
- 3. Number of students entering into the new curriculum
- Students feedback on offered programs and resources with the emphasis on the new teaching methods and project oriented curriculum (final project)
- 5. Number of lecture notes/manuals published in the e-format
- 6. Timed delivery (synchronization) of deliverables

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Availability of the expertise in the domain of web communication, staff trained for the development and maintenance of the web portal and resources for the networking.
- 2. Laboratory space available, staff in labs available, integration capabilities for integration through the new network.
- 3. Enrollment of students into the joint curriculum and delivery of the courses.
- 4. The HUTON coordinator's abilities to manage the project and communications between the EC and the Project Management Board (PMB).

RISKS:

- 1. Timed funding and purchasing of the hardware / software and availability of personnel
- 2. Delays based on administrative issues.
- 3. Difficulties in purchasing the desired curriculum required instrumentation
- 4. Accreditation related delays.
- 5. Willingness of students to fulfill the project timely.
- 6. Availability of skilled technical staff for the longevity of the project.
- 7. Time constraints preventing students to dedicate their attention and time to the study program and project realization.