IN2IT FINAL MEETING:
WP4 REVIEW & OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE COLLABORATIONS

POLITECNICO DI MILANO

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WP4 Review & Opportunities for Future Collaborations

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Overview:

- Team: Polimi – Politecnico di Milano (WPLeader);
  Participants: OBC, SAP, BBC, QSM, THC, KC, MTA (IL); UCSC (IT), WUT (PL), KU, BU (UK), PHL/LUE (DE), UM (FR);

- All tasks in WP4 were completed (100% completion). The EU and the IL partners collaborated to create international collaboration;

- Main stakeholders involved: HEIs academic staff.
WP4 General Objectives

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- To create international Communities of Practice (CoP) for knowledge-sharing and initiation of joint research projects and grants;
- To develop international interactive online arena for academic CoP that will promote the establishment of research capacity in the partner institutions;
- To promote opportunities of international CoP for collaboration.
Specific Objectives:

- To facilitate **online discussion** among WP3 International teams for developing online curriculum;
- To stimulate **sharing of experiences** and needs in **internationalization** for supporting the creation of new synergies;
- To foster **international collaboration** among Higher Education Institutions for developing **Joint Research Project ideas**.
WP4 tasks and tools

Onsite professional meetings + online COP

✓ Creation of **International Communities of Practice (CoP)** for knowledge-sharing and initiation of joint research projects and grants;

✓ Development of international **interactive online arena** for academic CoP to promote the establishment of research capacity in the partner institutions;

✓ Promotion of opportunities of **international CoP for collaboration**
WP4 Onsite professional meeting

- **Date and location:** 6th - 8th February 2017, Politecnico di Milano

- **Goals:**
  1) to initiate the establishment of a network of professionals from the international relations offices and research units in the partner institutions.
  2) to present the main interests for collaboration in order to find new partners for future cooperation among all the consortium – Israeli and Europeans.

- **Participants:** 60 participants from IL and Europe
WP4 Onsite professional meeting

- **Activities**: WP4 Parallel Sessions (Teamworks), Networking and Roundtable discussions, Visits to Polimi Labs;
- **Outputs**: established connections among international offices; identified several potential areas of collaboration among partner Institutions.
WP4 Onsite professional meeting: areas of collaboration identified
WP4 Onsite professional meeting: suggested follow up actions

- Each WP4 teamwork leader: to upload in the COP platform the last version of the output of WP4 teamwork;
- All WP4 groups: to use the Forum to continue discussion related to teamwork output (planning, etc.);
- All partners: to upload on the COP information/description materials on the collaboration actions/joint project ideas identified since now
- All WP3 teams: to share on the COP lessons learnt, comments, etc. on pilot courses
Onsite professional meeting:
suggested follow up actions

Carrying on with WP4 COP after Milan Meeting
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Dear all, as you know, we have been all very busy with WP3 and with the delivery of pilot courses. Now that the most part of them have been realized, we would like to draw your attention back to WP4 tasks, on the basis of the teamwork realized during WP4 Milan Meeting (METID Polimi, 6th-8th Feb 2017), focusing in particular on reminding the main collaboration opportunities available for IN2IT partnership and sharing with you some hints and suggestions.

First of all, as you already know - and as included also recently in IN2IT Newsletter No 8 June 2017 - the IN2IT COP is composed by two main parts: International Teams and Community of Practice.

The International Teams part is designed to support the collaboration among partners on the development of the international courses. Now that the pilot courses have been realized, why don’t you take advantage of this dedicated space to discuss on lessons learnt, results, feedback, future development and any other issues that can contribute to the process of creating the courses (not just the pilot) that will run the next academic year?

The Community of Practice part is designed to support the collaboration of the partnership, but also researchers, teachers, administrative staff from Higher Education Institutions, and companies to share their experiences and needs to create new relations, joint projects and other collaboration opportunities. In this area you can find 2 proposed path: Community Tellers and Community Pathfinder.

In the first part, Community Tellers, you can share your experiences in internationalization in higher education, while in the second one, Community Pathfinder, you can discuss and propose ideas and opportunities for international collaboration (i.e. grants, study visits, workshops, courses, international student exchange...).

As you probably remember, during the WP4 Milan Meeting we have proposed to participants to work in small groups to identify possible collaboration areas on the basis of their common interests. Participants have used a proposed document template to organize and summarize the results of their discussions and some groups have completed the template.

What do you think of uploading now your teamwork results, represented by the several templates filled in during the meeting, on this dedicated area of the COP? This would help you to carry on with the collaboration opportunities, starting from the discussion you already had in Milan...

To support this process, we also attach you the map of the potential areas of interest for collaboration among IN2IT partner institutions developed during the Meeting. You can start also from there to refresh in your mind the potential available collaboration opportunities!

Of course, the COP can be used in many other ways according to your needs as already explained in the FAQ.

We hope these suggestions will be useful to support you in collaboration and we look forward to see your contributions uploaded in the COP! 😊
Online Environment

https://in2it.vbulletin.net/

- Launched in July 2016
- Accessible by registration
- Support by e-mail in2it@polimi.it
- Guided access (FAQ) https://in2it.vbulletin.net/faq
Growth of the CoP

**February 2017**
- Posts: 48
- Members: 68
- Source: Vbulletin
- 627 Sessions
- 300 Users
- 1414 pageview
- Source: Google Analytics

**September 2018**
- Posts: 67 (+28%)
- Members: 80 (+15%)
- Source: Vbulletin
- 1439 Sessions (+56%)
- 840 Users (+64%)
- 2945 pageview (+51%)
- Source: Google Analytics
In order to stimulate collaboration and engagement a WP4Newsletter summarizing the topics and ideas of CoP has been created.
WP4 Newsletter

- 96 subscribers
- Open rate very high (people who opened the e-mail 48,4%, average 16,1%)
- Click rate very high (people who clicked on some elements of the e-mail 18,9%, average 2%)

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Future Collaborations (1)

WP4: initiation of collaboration actions /joint project ideas:

- PoliMi + OBC + BBC: application to Erasmus+ KA2: project SMART on Sciences and Mathematics: A Reform in Teaching;
- Polimi +MTA: application to Erasmus+ KA2: project BRIDGE on Bridging the digital gap among Teaching Faculty in higher education in Israel and Bosnia-Herzegovina;
- THC+MTA+UCSC: application to Erasmus+ KA2: project POLARIS on Promoting Organizational support & Learning processes to Advance Readiness of Israeli Students to the Global Workplace;
- UCSC+WUT+UM+MTA: Initial submission H2020 on Cybersecurity Competence Network;
Future Collaborations (2)

WP4: initiation of collaboration actions /joint project ideas:

- BBC + LUE: Joint international conferences and faculty exchange;
- QSM + LUE: started to discuss development of programs on education to immigrants;
- QSM + UCSC: development of cooperation for Islamic and Arabic Studies;
- WUT + OBC: application for Erasmus+ mobility;
- MTA + UCSC: faculty exchange for teaching;
- SAP + UCSC: PhD student in internationalization;
- BBC, OBC, MTA: Research on Development of Online-International Higher Education Programs BBC, OBC, MTA
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