

Benevento, April 10, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

As you know our TechReh project was initially submitted including “A master course on the use and development of advanced ICT solutions in the field of rehabilitation will take place, pursuing the goals of development of human resources set in the Public Health Strategy of the Republic of Uzbekistan 2010-2020.”.

After our Kick off meeting we decided to change this Master in three educational activities:

- The existing Master programmes in Medical Rehabilitation offered at the medical HEIs involved in the project (Nukus and Tashkent) will be modernised in the framework of the project activities.
- In addition, a two-year Master "Computer Systems for Medicine" will be developed by the project, to be implemented at the Tashkent University of Information Technologies.
- Moreover, short courses for medical and technical professionals will be developed in the framework of the project.

These changes were approved by Mrs Piia Heinamaki EACEA tutor of our project.

After the meeting held in Brussels, last March 30, Dr Igor Vikhrov informed about the modernization activities (see Annex I). In particular, a changes to WP2 activities were proposed;

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As coordinator I asked to Mrs Piia Heinamaki her approval for these further changes. She answered requiring some clarifications, quickly given by Dr Igor Vikhrov (see Annex II).

After that, by email April 9, Mrs Piia Heinamaki asked to the coordinator to consult the whole consortium (European and Uzbek partners) on these changes before going ahead with the activities

Dear Igor,

Thank you for the additional explanations. We understand that these changes are proposed in order to make sure that each partner institution benefits concretely from the project experience.

Nevertheless, these are quite substantial additions to the already foreseen work programme and we would therefore ask Pasquale to consult the whole consortium (European and Uzbek partners) on these changes



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before going ahead with the activities. If the consortium members agree with the additional activities, we can approve this revised approach. In that case the report to be submitted in June should also include an update on the advancement of these activities, as well as a planning of activities for the period of the extension, if applicable.

So, I will kindly ask you to give your opinion on these further changes proposed by Dr Igor Vikhrov and concerning the “modernization activities”.

Please, due to the very short time at our disposal, be so kind to reply soon.

Best Regards

Pasquale Daponte
TechReh coordinator



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Annex I

Oggetto:Re: Modernization
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Dear Pasquale,

It was indeed very important meeting in Brussels and I hope that we will follow to the recommendations of the Erasmus+ Agency.

In the reports that you sent to us we always underline that modernization of the medical rehabilitation should be concern only Nukus.

However, you are right that it was done unofficially, due the fact that Uzbek partners concentrate more on master Study in Tashkent (jointly organized by TUIT and TPMI).

In order to make somehow equal contribution to the project, as a contact point from Uzbekistan, I would like justify once again WP2 and work that should be done by particular Uzbek partner of course with support of the EU HEIs and under overall coordination by Veronique.

1. Master Study (Computer System in Medicine with focus on topics of the TechReh projects). Responsible HEIs from Uzbekistan – TUIT as main partner and TPMI as contributor (2 modules connecting with Medicine);

2. Modernization of the existing master course in Medical Rehabilitation (TPMI Nukus branch), modernization of the Master Course in Medical Informatics (TPMI), modernization of the Bachelor course in Computer Systems (TUIT Karshi branch).

In our opinion, the work on modernization should be done by all Uzbek partners equally. Thus we decided to increase our contribution without changing of the project budget. The changes mainly will be done after the internship, however we have elaborated some new modules and content according PLUX and BTS study courses that placed in Moodle System.

3. Organization of the short professional development courses on ICT in Medicine (TPMI).

For now, you have all information concerning Master Course (I will request from Marat Rakhmatullaev to send you an official letter about submitting application documents for the accreditation of the master Study),

I hope that Nukus will sent the information about modernization in Medical Rehabilitation and we will send you soon information about modernization of the Medical Informatics for Master Students. About short courses you also already have an information.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have further questions.

Best regards,
Igor



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Annex II

From: Igor Vikhrov [mailto:igorvichrov@yandex.com]
Sent: Friday, April 06, 2018 7:36 AM
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Subject: Re: Modernization

Dear Piia,

After the several consultations with the Uzbek partners I would like try to summarize what we have and of course fully rely on your vision and following of the CBHE Projects rules and requirements. Please find below our answers on your questions. The main logic why we are trying to implement several "new elements" that is you are rights we have not consider some very important point during our request for changing occurred.

This is the fact that after the changing of the 1-year master to 2 year master several Uzbek partners were not involved into activities. Because we simply not take into account their role, however they are fully partners and they need to do something really good for the project, considering the huge amount of EU investment.

Thus, we would like kindly request from you to integrate some new elements into the project in order to maximize the impact of the project to Uzbek society health and wealth being. 2 main partners TUIT and TPMI are very close collaborating in New Master Course development and we just focus on this main objective. But now days we are quite successful, I am sure that we will start master Course in September 2018 and we already started preparation to the Staff and Students Internship. So it is the time to call other Uzbek colleagues to do things.

Please consider our answers and I am ready to elaborate more if there are some needs.

1. It seems to me that "modernization of the Master Course in Medical Informatics (TPMI)" and "modernization of the Bachelor course in Computer Systems (TUIT Karshi branch)" are new elements which were not part of the project until now.

Yes, it is truth, this is new element because we still have capacity to do good thing and to use opportunity that we have thanks to the project and support of EU partners.

1. What exactly do you mean by modernisation in this case?

At the TPMI we have obligatory course for the Bachelor students on Medical Informatics, but we think that is good if we will develop and include into master level the Course "Medical Informatics for Master Students". Please see attached curricula. We already approved the Course, but waiting for the Internship in order to integrate some elements based on EU experience. Teacher and one from developer of Course is member of Internship team from TPMI.

In case of Karshi, they will modernize and develop several new courses, please find the official letter from Karshi to this E-Mail.



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1. Who will modernise the courses – the Uzbek partners only or will there be some involvement of European partners (if yes, what kind?)?

In case of TPMI 2 partners from EU will be involved, Sorbonne and Vilnius University.
In case of Karshi also 2 partners - Sorbonne and Plux

1. And what would you modernise – modules? Teaching materials? What percentage of the study programmes would be changed?

In both cases will be modernized modules and also will develop new modules, according curricula. Also for all courses will be develop module teaching materials.

In TPMI case – introducing of the new course to Master Level students (based on existing course for bachelors with integrating EU experience after EU Internship)

In Karshi case – 50%/50%, they would like modernize half and introduce another half into bachelor level. And we hope that would be solid basis for them during applying for the Master Course during next year.

1. Not knowing the details it is difficult to say whether we can accept this as part of the project. Considering also the delays at this stage, I wonder if it is wise to include new activities into the project planning.

I fully understand your doubts and I could imagine that it could be truth, but we very much hope that you will accept our application for extension and we will be able to fulfil our goals and obligations. I am again apologizing for the changes and modernizations of the Project. It was my omission due to the fact that other Uzbek colleagues are very new for the CBHE Project Management and Rules.

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