





# National Erasmus+ Office

Palestine

# Newsletter June 2018

PALESTINE HERE TEAM

## **Thematic Cluster Meeting**

National Erasmus+ Office in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and HE organized Thematic Cluster Meeting entitled "Contribution of Private Sector in Higher Education Curricula Development". The workshop was opened by the Minister of Education and HE. The participants agreed on the need of the cooperation between the academia and the private sector; to provide the local market with the needed competencies to cover the local market needs.





## **Monitoring visits**

 "Serious Games: Pathway within the undergraduate IT programs" at Birzeit University



"The Mediterranean Public HEALTH Alliance" at An-Najah National University.



"Career-Oriented Curricula Development for Road Vehicle Maintenance" at Palestine Polytechnic University.



"Development of Health Informatics integrated curricula in Computing and Healthoriented undergraduate degrees" at Birzeit University.

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International Credit Mobility at Palestine Polytechnic University.



International Credit Mobility at An-Najah University



#### **International Missions**

NEO- ICP Grant holders Meeting in Brussels 29-31 January 2018. During these 2-day meeting, EACEA briefed the participants on the technical, legal and financial rules to properly implement the projects.



EURIE-Eurasia Higher Education Summit in Istanbul 14-16 February 2018: National Erasmus+ Director Participated in the 2018 EURIE-Eurasia Higher Education Summit in

Istanbul (14-16 February 2018) and disseminated the activities of Erasmus+ Office in Palestine. Three Palestinian universities participated in this event and networked with other HEIs from different countries to strengthen Erasmus+ projects networks in Palestine.



#### **NEO Local Missions**

Technical Assistance Mission (TAM) entitled "Improving financial management of HE system in Palestine", at An-Najah National University 25 January 2018.



- Technical Assistance Mission (TAM) entitled "Internationalization of Palestinian Universities in the context of learning, teaching and research", 12-13 February, 2018 at the Islamic University of Gaza
- H2020 workshop held at the Ministry of Education and Higher Education on the 25 March 2018.



- Palestinian Higher Education and Sustainable Youth Enterprise Symposium organized by British council at Birzeit University 10 April 2018.
- UNESCO workshop to discuss policy recommendations for Higher Education programmes in Palestine at the national consultation led by UNESCO and the Ministry of Education and Higher Education on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 2018.



EU Day celebrations on the 9th of May 2018 and supported the EU Representative Office in inviting Erasmus Alumni and Stakeholders at the Palestinian Universities.



#### **HEREs'** Activities

The Higher Education Reform Committee convened its 1st meeting on the 7th of May 2018. The meeting discussed the proposed interventions at local and international levels in addition to the division of roles and responsibilities. During the meeting, the HEREs team elected a new local coordinator for the HEREs activities.



HERE seminar in Montenegro 28-29 May "Research-based teaching and learning: from national and institutional policies to practice".

# Key Meetings

- Information meeting on Erasmus+ & advised on CBHE proposal & met With Dr. Sameer Abu Zneid, CEO of Faten Foundation & the Dean of Commerce at Hebron University on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February 2018.
- Met with Dr. Ali Abu Zuhri the Arab American University President and his team to advice on CBHE & helping them to do first mobility with Turkey on the 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2018.
- On the 20th of May 2018, National Erasmus+ Country Representative participated in the regular meeting of Palestinian- European sub Committees for Higher Education.

#### **Information Sessions**

Promotion session on Erasmus+ activities at Dar Al-Tifel Al-Arabi Organization and Al- Ummeh College on the 12th of March 2018.

- Information Session on how to benefit from the ICM at the Arab American University on the 11th of April 2018
- Dissemination & information session to the faculty of Engineering on developing CBHE ideas & assisting in finding international partners. The meeting was followed by special meeting with the Dean of Engineering and the Deputy Rector on the 12th of April 2018.
- Information meeting on Erasmus+ for Al-Aroub Technical College Staff & met With Dr. Marwan Awartani, President of Palestine Technical University on the 29<sup>th</sup> of April 2018.



#### FAST FACTS

Capacity Building in Higher 2015-2017 Palestine won 17 CBHE projects

11 projects coordinated by Palestine

#### International Credit Mobility 2015-2017

Students & staff moving from Palestine to Europe: 951

Students & staff moving from to Europe to Palestine: 338

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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