



**APPRAIS**

governAnce, quality, accountability:  
a Piloting Reform PProcess  
in kurdistan region of Iraq

# 1<sup>st</sup> Partnership Meeting

Erbil, 29-30 November 2021

## AGENDA



UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA



Uio : University of Oslo



UNIVERSIDADE DE ÉVORA



**Venue of the two days:**

**Cultural and social centre of Salahaddin University-Erbil**

42VC+445, Erbil, Kurdistan region of Iraq



**Monday 29 November 2021**

**10.00-16.30 (Erbil time)**

10.00 – 10.30

**Greetings and introduction to the APPRAIS Round Table**

**Mohammed HUSSEIN AHMED**, Representative of the Minister of the Higher Education and Scientific Research KRG

**Marcello SCALISI**, UNIMED Director

**Marie PARET**, Head of the European Union Delegation Office in Erbil (TBC)

**Ann Katherine ISAACS**, University of Pisa, Bologna Expert (online connection)

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10.30 – 11.15

**1<sup>st</sup> Panel of the Round Table:**

***Bologna process implementation and Higher Education Governance System in Kurdistan: perspectives and challenges***

**Mohammed HUSSEIN AHMED**, Director General and Head of the Apparatus of Supervision and Quality Assurance, Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research KRG

**Jawhar Fattah SAEED**, President of Salaheddin University

**Ridha Hassan HUSSEIN**, President of Sulaymania University

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11.15 – 11.30

***Coffee Break***

11.30 -12.30

**2<sup>nd</sup> Panel of the Round Table:**

***Strengthening good governance and institutional autonomy for a more accountable, innovative and responsible university***

*UNIMED Network and its role of promoting university governance*

**Marcello SCALISI**, UNIMED Director

*Overall presentation of APPRAIS project*

**Silvia MARCHIONNE**, UNIMED Project Manager and APPRAIS coordinator

*HE structures, differences and impact that institutional governance has on quality and decision-making processes*

**Marco ABATE**, Pro-rector for teaching University of Pisa

**Salah Raza SAEED**, President of Charmo University

**Soumodip SARKAR**, Vice-Rector for Innovation, Cooperation and Entrepreneurship, University of Evora

12.30 -13.30

***Debate and conclusion***

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13.30-14.30

***Lunch***



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- 14.30-14.40      **First part of the APPRAIS Partnership Meeting**
- Brief overview on APPRAIS project: Where we are and next steps**
- Silvia MARCHIONNE, UNIMED Project Manager and APPRAIS coordinator**
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- 14.40-15.00      **Overview of the transversal WPs:**
- WP8 Management (operational, financial and administrative aspects)**
- By UNIMED staff
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- 15.00-15.45      **WP6 – Project Quality and Evaluation**
- Presentation on the progress of the WP and next steps:**  
**The composition of the Quality Committee, the Quality plan and the report**  
**on the results of the KoM and online PM questionnaires**
- University of Salaheddine & University of Halabja
- External evaluation: Presentation of the External Evaluation Plan**
- APPRAIS External Evaluator, Roberto Righi
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- 15.45 - 16.15      **WP7 – Dissemination and Exploitation**
- Presentation on the progress of the WP and next steps:**  
**The dissemination plan, the website, the promotion material and**  
**dissemination activity by the partners**
- Duhok Polytechnic University & UNIMED
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- 16.15 – 16.30      **Wrap up and conclusions**



## Tuesday 30 November 2021

### 09.00-16.00 (Erbil time)

09.00 – 09.15 **Greetings and introduction to the 1<sup>st</sup> Partnership Meeting of the project**

**Mohammed HUSSEIN AHMED**, Director General Head of the Apparatus of Supervision and Quality Assurance, Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research KRG

**Marcello SCALISI**, UNIMED Director

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09.15 – 10.15 **WP1 – Update of Needs Assessment**

**Presentation of the WP1 results:**

- **The University Governance Glossary**
- **Report on the State of the art on the desk research and self-assessment results**

University of Duhok & UNIMED

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10.15 – 10.30 ***Coffee break***

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10.30 – 12.00 **WP1 – Update of Needs Assessment**

**Working groups to discuss and validate the results of WP1**

University of Duhok & UNIMED with all the partners

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12.00 - 13.00 **WP1 – Update of Needs Assessment**

**Restitution phase in plenary session with all the partners**

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13.00 - 14.00 ***Lunch***

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14.00 - 14.30 **WP2- Definition of a roadmap for a better university governance and implementation of Bologna process at KRI HEIs**

Presentation of the WP2 work plan and discussion about the roadmap (template, objectives, structure)

University of Evora & Charmo University

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14.30-15.15	<p><b>WP3 - Strategic Planning, Management and Quality Assurance: Capacity Building action</b></p> <p><b>Presentation on WP work plan, setting the calendar for the trainings and field visits</b></p> <p>University of Pisa &amp; Sulaymania University</p>
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15.15-15.45	<p><b>WP4 - Bologna process implementation at KRI Universities: Recognition of credits and learning mobility</b></p> <p><b>Presentation on WP4 work plan, discussion on the MOOC and the training handbook</b></p> <p>University of Murcia &amp; Zakho University</p>
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15.45-16.00	<p><b>WP5 - Restitution and harmonization phase towards a Shared Strategic Plan for University Reform</b></p> <p><b>Presentation on WP tasks, deliverables and timeline</b></p> <p>Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research KRG &amp; Garmian University</p>
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16.00	<p><b>Wrap up and conclusion of the 1<sup>st</sup> APPRAIS Partnership Meeting</b></p>

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