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Minutes of the Fourth Management Meeting: Steering, Scientific, and Quality Meetings



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**Attendees:**

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| Dr. Anas Al Nabulsi   | Chairman of Nutrition and Food Technology Department                 |
| Prof. Majdi Al-Mahasneh   | Professor at the School of Engineering and Technology                |
| Eng. Ghena Barakat  | Administrative   |
| <b>The University of Jordan (UJ)</b>                                |  |
| Prof. Ahmed Al-Salaymeh   | Professor at the School of Engineering and Technology/Contact Person |
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| Prof. Tareq Azab  | Professor, Contact Person  |
| Dr. Ihab Ghabeish   | Professor  |
| <b>University of Teramo (UNITE)</b>                                 |  |
| Prof. Paola Pitila  | Professor/Contact Person   |
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## Monday, April 30, 2018

The fourth management meeting of the FOODQA Project was organized at Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST). The meeting was held at the Faculty of Agriculture. The meeting started by a welcome speech from Prof. Kamel Mahmoud, the Dean of Agriculture at JUST. In his speech, Prof. Kamel presented the faculty of Agriculture and its strategy regarding Quality Assurance and Accreditation for all the programs in the faculty. After the speech of Prof. Kamel, the meeting started by an update of the status of the projects activities presented by Prof. Abu Al-Rub, FoodQA coordinator.

**First session:** The status of WP1, which is related to Development of training materials like posters, videos, eBooks and the validation of training materials by displaying the website of the project and a sample of completed eBooks, Posters and videos, was presented by Prof. Abu Al-Rub, and Dr. Paulo, the WP leader. According to the presentation, WP1 can be considered concluded as more than 95% of the tasks and deliverables have been achieved.

**Second session:** Prof. Paola from UniTE, the WP2 leader, updated the partners on the progress of the training activities. More than 120 technicians, agricultural engineers, students and faculty members from Jordan will be trained in Europe, as part of capacity building process for quality assurance and food safety centers that will be established in Jordanian universities as part of the project activities. The training in Portugal already started. She presented the training conducted so far and discussed the last training which will be in Croatia on September 2018.

**Prof.** Paola also presented the plan for the e-courses and she presented some templates to be used.

**Third session: Abu Al-Rub** briefed the partners on the progress of WP3, which is led by MonoJO, and he presented the seminars that have been presented to the FoodQA AIC members.

**Fourth session:** JFDA supposed to discuss Status of WP4 that related to Pilot of implementation of food safety and quality management systems by they couldn't attend the meeting so Prof. Fahmi gave a summary about this WP. It was agreed to assign 2 JO, and 2 EU partners for each company in the pilot study. The distribution of JO and EU partners on the different groups is shown below. Each group will be responsible to qualify one JO company to apply for one of the food management systems.

**Fifth session:** Prof. Ahmed Al-Salaymeh from UJ, WP5 leader, presented the final version of the sustainability plan for the FoodQA project and for the safety centers at each JO HEI.

**Sixth session:** Mr. Dimos from Cre.Dev.Thi., WP5 leader, presented the quality and evaluation reports of the different activities and events of the project.

**Seventh session:** This session was dedicated to the management issues. Prof. Abu Al-Rub updated the partners on the status of the preparation of the intermediate report. He informed the partners that the technical and financial reports will be submitted on April 30. He also informed them that the expenditures exceeded 70% of the first pre-finance, and thus he will ask for the second payment. It was agreed that the 5<sup>th</sup> Management meeting be in Coatia during Aug. 27-28, 2018.

The meeting was concluded by a field visit to the Faculty of Agriculture at JUST facilities. This included the dairy plant, the research centers, etc.

Table 1. Distribution of JO and EU partners for the pilot study

| First and Second:   | Third and Fourth:   | Fifth and Sixth:   | Seventh and Eighth:   |
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| <p><b>-P&amp;B</b></p> <p><b>-UniTE</b></p> <p><b>-JUST</b></p> <p><b>-JFDA</b></p> | <p><b>-CRE.THI.DEV</b></p> <p><b>-UJ</b></p> <p><b>-JFDA</b></p> <p><b>-UNIST</b></p> | <p><b>-AUA</b></p> <p><b>-BAU</b></p> <p><b>-CRE.THI.DEV</b></p> <p><b>-JFDA</b></p> | <p><b>-UniTE</b></p> <p><b>-P&amp;B</b></p> <p><b>-JU</b></p> <p><b>-JFDA</b></p> |
| P&B will be the leader of this group  | CRE.THI.DEV will be the leader of this group  | AUA will be the leader of this group   | UniTE will be the leader of this group  |