

ANNEX 4

Erasmus Mundus Action 2 – Strand 1

PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

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	Title of proposal	EU Partnerships and International Cooperation with Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Palestine. - EPIC	
		Name of organisation	Country
	Applicant	Cardiff Metropolitan University	UK
	Co-coordinator		
	Partner 1	La Sapienza University of Rome	Italy
	Partner 2	Adam Mickiewicz University	Poland
	Partner 3	Politecnico di Torino	Italy
	Partner 4	Universidad de Salamanca	Spain
	Partner 5	Vilnius University	Lithuania
	Partner 6	University of Lorraine	France
	Partner 7	Technische Universität Berlin	Germany
	Partner 8	Université de Liège	Belgium
	Partner 9	Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques	France
	Third-country Partner 1	Princess Sumaya University for Technology	Jordan
	Third-country Partner 2	Yarmouk University	Jordan
	Third -country Partner 3	German Jordanian University	Jordan
	Third-country Partner 4	University of Jordan	Jordan
	Third-country Partner 5	Arab International University	Syria
	Third-country Partner 6	Damascus University	Syria
	Third-country Partner 7	Saint Joseph University	Lebanon
	Third-country Partner 8	The Lebanese University	Lebanon
	Third-country Partner 9	Modern University for Business and Science	Lebanon
	Third-country Partner 10	An-Najah National University	Palestine
	Associate 1	Ministry of Higher Education	Palestine
	Associate 2	Ministry of Higher Education	Jordan
	Associate 3	Ministry of Higher Education	Lebanon
	Associate 4	Scholars at Risk (SAR)	USA
	Associate 5	European Students Union	Belgium

	Associate 6	Euro-Mediterranean University (EMUNI)	Slovenia
	Associate 7	Women in Higher Education Elite Leaders (WHEEL)	Morocco
	Associate 8	Association of Arab Universities	Jordan
	Countries targeted	Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Palestine	
	Project duration (months)	48 months	
	Amount requested (EUR)	€4.366.825	
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	Project objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To better adapt the institutions from Lot 2 countries to contribute to national development needs and to respond to globalization challenges. To better integrate the Third-Country universities within the Euro-Mediterranean area.. To contribute to the mutual enrichment of societies by developing the qualifications of the three target groups at all levels. 		
	Brief description: <p>This project has the acronym EPIC which stands for “<i>EU Partnerships and International Cooperation with Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Palestine.</i>” The origins of this proposal and the potential for its success draw upon the experience and expertise gained by Cardiff Metropolitan University (Cardiff Met) with the Middle East and North African region (MENA). This includes successful coordination of three current Erasmus Mundus Action 2 projects entitled FFEEBB 1 (Flow by Flow EU-Egypt Bridge Building, reference 2009/1740), FFEEBB 2 (reference 2010/4998) and ELEMENT (“Egypt-Lebanon-EU Mobility Exchange NeTwork, reference 2011/2557). FFEEBB 1 and FFEEBB 2 have successfully implemented a full mobility programme with Egypt and ELEMENT has currently just issued the first Call for Applications (www.em-element.eu) with Egypt and Lebanon. Cardiff Met is also currently coordinating a Tempus project in “Leadership in Higher Education” with the proposed Lebanese partners and has submitted a new Tempus Structural Measure with Jordan and Lebanon. The consortium consists of 20 partner universities (four from Jordan, three from Lebanon, two from Syria, one from Palestine and ten EU universities) plus eight Associate Partners. All have the technical capacity to manage this project and seventeen have been chosen as they already have links with each other, making the cooperation mechanisms much easier.</p> <p>The overall aim of this proposal is coherent with the priorities of the EU which is to contribute to the development of human resources at higher education institutions in the MENA region by using mobility flows. The higher education systems in the MENA region are currently under a lot of pressure precisely because of the challenges expressed by the 'Arab Spring.' One of the key questions, and one of the key demands from the</p>		

'Arab Spring,' and young people in the Arab world, is exactly how to get a good education - a good quality education - and a good job. So universities need to respond in ways that will allow them to meet this very critical demand, and equip young people with the sort of skills relevant to today's labour markets. There is thus a need to diversify sources of funding and improve the efficiency in the use of current funds. Tertiary education institutions need to be ready to produce graduates with the skills required by today's world. This implies developing cognitive, behavioural, social and technical skills aligned with the rapid changes of globalization. The increasing speed at which existing knowledge becomes obsolete, and the rapid changes in the means by which it is delivered and renewed, requires high adaptability of the education sector to meet the needs of the economy and of society as a whole. Countries that are only weakly connected to the global knowledge economy will find themselves increasingly at a disadvantage and will not be able to generate adequate socio-economic conditions for the population. In a context of globalisation, this knowledge divide does not contribute to harmonious relations between nations and to understanding among the people thus adversely influencing political stability.

Mobility Flow:
(please fill in the tables below in accordance with the concerned lot provision as indicated in the Programme Guide and Guidelines to the Call for proposals)

Type of Mobility	Outgoing		Third country ¹	Incoming			TOTAL
	Europeans			Third-Country nationals			
	Target Group 1	Target Group 2		Target Group 1	Target Group 2	Target Group 3	
Undergraduates²	13		Jordan	16		2	18
			Syria	8		3	11
			Lebanon	14		1	15
			Palestine	8		2	10
Masters	10	5	Jordan	7	1	1	9
			Syria	3	2	2	7
			Lebanon	8	1	2	11
			Palestine	2	1	1	4
Doctorates	3	2	Jordan	5	1		6
			Syria	3	1		4
			Lebanon	5	2		7
			Palestine	4	1		5
Post-doctorates	1	1	Jordan	1			1
			Syria	2	1		3
			Lebanon	1	1		1
			Palestine	2			3
Academic staff	18		Jordan	6			6
			Syria	3			3
			Lebanon	6			6

¹ Please insert the appropriate country code as indicated in the list of codes in annex 7 of this application form

² Undergraduates mobility is covered only under EM A2 Strand 1 and not under EM A2 Strand 2 (please delete the row accordingly)

			<i>Palestine</i>	6			6
TOTAL	45	8		110	12	14	136

Third country	Undergraduates	Masters	Doctorates	Post-doctorates	Staff	TOTAL
Jordan	18	9	6	1	6	40
Syria	11	7	4	3	3	28
Lebanon	15	11	7	1	6	40
Palestine	10	4	5	3	6	28
TOTAL	54	31	22	8	15	136