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Evaluation Summary Report

Call: Type of action: Proposal number: Proposal acronym: Duration (months): Proposal title: Activity: ERASMUS-EDU-2022-EMJM-DESIGN ERASMUS-LS 101082378 DIMSTE 15 Design of International Master program in Sustainable Transport Engineering

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	N.	Proposer name	Country	Total Cost	%	Grant Requested	%
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Abstract:

Transport is one on the main sphere of collaboration between EU and Ukraine according to the Association Agreement between UA and EU. To answer the demands of the market in highly qualified international specialists in transport engineering with focus on sustainability issues, the main objective of DIMSTE project is to design an international Master program in Sustainable Transport Engineering. This two-year program aims to bring together Transport Engineering, Air Transport, Energy and Environment. In addition to National Aviation University the consortium will combine two European universities: Vilnius Gediminas Technical University, University of Zilina. All involved partners have strong background and teaching history in the proposed area.

Main target groups of the DIMSTE project: students with Bachelors Degree; involved institutions; employers; Ministries of education and science. The outputs will include JOINT:

Students' admission requirements, evaluation criteria and awarding procedure;

Curriculum, modules and case-study projects;

EMJM Partnership Agreement, and student's agreement;

self-estimation report of the designed Joint Master program correspondence to the European Quality Assurance Standards in Higher Education Area;

Project website and Facebook page in English.

To achieve the objective, the following core activities will be done within DIMSTE project:

creation of a joint working group, functioning for documentation harmonizing;

business trips to the partner institutions to learn their teaching approaches, quality standards and transfer knowledge in aviation between EU and UA;

final workshop of the consortium for signing of the EMJM Partnership Agreement in Kyiv;

self-esimation of the designed Joint Master program quality.

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Evaluation Result

Total score: 74.00 (Threshold: 60)

Criterion 1 - RELEVANCE

Score: 32.00 (Threshold: 0/40.00, Weight: -)

The detailed criteria are set out in the call conditions (see Call document).

The proposal provides a good design of a Joint Master's programme with multiple degrees in transport engineering that is in line with the Erasmus Mundus Design Measures. The overall aims and the general objectives of this proposal are very clearly presented. The purpose of the project is well operationalised in a good list of specific objectives, clearly devoted to the design of a new integrated Master programme in the field of Sustainable Transport Engineering.

The proposal provides a clear focus related directly to the master's programme, the ambition is well demonstrated, thus the envisaged Master's programme holds the potential to enrich the master-level education offer in the EHEA.

The novelty is not justified sufficiently. While, the credibility of the master's programme and the general idea are explained and articulated in a good manner. The proposal clearly underlines that the project is in line with a relevant agreement signed between the EU and the home country of the coordinating institution, as well as that transport is one of the main spheres of collaboration between the partner institutions. However, there is no clear comparison of the proposed Master's with other existing Master's programmes nor convincing discussion of the complementarity with other actions. There is an appropriate discussion of the importance of restructuring and renovating the transport sector in the home country of the coordinating institution, with the aim to achieve gradual harmonization with the EU standards.

The coordinating institution is located in a third country not associated with the programme, and this project would clearly contribute to the development of relevant transnational academic cooperation.

Criterion 2.1 QUALITY — PROJECT DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION

Score: 16.00 (Threshold: 0/20.00 , Weight: -)

The detailed criteria are set out in the call conditions (see Call document).

Overall, the proposed approach and the methodology are appropriate. The core activities are clearly presented, they are well aligned with the proposed objectives and suitable to deliver the expected outcomes.

The work plan is coherent and sound. The structure and description of the working package are clear.

The proposal provides detailed information about the professional profile and expertise of the experts involved in the planned activities, with a clear demonstration of their overall quality.

The activities related to the design of the master's programme are geared towards achieving the objectives. However, the proposal does not clearly discuss the planned steps to launch an accreditation and evaluation process for the proposed Master's, but it states that the self-evaluation of this programme will be in accordance with the Quality Assurance Standards in the European High Education Area.

The proposal does not discuss in enough detail the measures foreseen to ensure the quality of the project implementation; but it clearly informs that all consortium members will approve and sign a Partnership Agreement, covering all aspects related to the implementation of the Master programme. It is anticipated that at the end of the project, there will be a Partnership Agreement, which will cover all academic, operational, administrative, and financial aspects.

The partners take an adequate approach to the project management and monitoring process, including coordination and communication modes.

Criterion 2.2 QUALITY — PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION ARRANGEMENTS

Score: 12.00 (Threshold: 0/20.00, Weight: -)

The detailed criteria are set out in the call conditions (see Call document).

The proposal highlights the quality of the partner institutions and their relevant competence in the field of Sustainable Transport Engineering. There is also evidence of the overall relevance of the new partnership. The project team is wide in terms of numbers and represents all partner universities. However, the proposal does not provide sufficient details about each of the participating organisations nor clearly explains the rationale of the consortium composition. In particular, the proposal does not appropriately present the concrete expected role of each of the participating organisations, namely regarding the design of the master programme.

The proposal contains a sufficient description of communication among partners as the communication scheme and modes are presented.

Criterion 3 - IMPACT

Score: 14.00 (Threshold: 0/20.00, Weight: -)

The detailed criteria are set out in the call conditions (see Call document).

Impacts are adequately elaborated and structured around a timeline – short, medium and long terms impacts. Impacts are elaborated at rather an equal level of detail and are grounded in the need's analysis and specific objectives. The proposal clearly specifies the main ambition of the project, highlighting the expected enhancement of the employment opportunities.

Measures to disseminate the new master programme are sufficiently articulated. The proposal presents some appropriate events to promote and disseminate the project's activities and some of the expected project outcomes.

The sustainability of the project outputs is also based on the institutional commitment of the partner universities, including their own funding to the programme. There is a clear intention to prepare and submit an application for a new Erasmus Joint Master Degree which, if successful, would contribute to the sustainability of the programme. The proposal also underlines that the quality of the Master's would contribute to its sustainability, but there is no convincing discussion of specific strategies to be implemented for ensuring the continuation and sustainability of the new Master's programme, namely regarding potential sources of funding.

Scope of the proposal

Status: <u>Yes</u> Comments (in case the proposal is out of scope) Not provided



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