

WP 4. Develop Institutional Capacities for Research

Del 4.4 Operationalization of RISS

The developed regulation, job descriptions, strategy, and action plan for RISS are formally approved by the academic senate of the HEIs in Partner Countries.

Each HEI from the Partner Countries reported on the activity of RISS, the use of purchased equipment and the compliance with the action plans detailed in del 4.3 (see table below)

	List of Indicators/ Activities	POLIS	UET	UPT	UP	UC	UGJFA
Reporting the extent of the operational viability of the RISS centers	# Number of project/research proposals, including submitted but not successful for funding	15 Erasmus+ project proposals submitted in February 2023	8 Erasmus+ project proposals and 4 other project proposals for other international national donors were submitted during the period January-March 2023	6 Erasmus+ project proposals submitted in February 2023	8 Erasmus+ project proposals submitted in February 2023	3 Erasmus+ project proposals and 4 other project proposals for other international national donors were submitted during the period November 2022-February 2023	5 Erasmus+ project proposals submitted in February 2023

	# Number of trained staff able to support RISS operations	Ariola Memia, Paola Iljazi, Valerio Perna	Ines Troshani, Kebjana Haka, Fatri Morina	Elfrida Shehu, Erjola Sali, Hyrjana Mocka, Uriana Thanasi	Hena Maloku, Valon Raca, Jeta Dobruna	Gabriela Ukaj, Shqipe Gerguri, Valon Murati, Ganimete Podvorica	Denis Spahija, Laura Naka, Artan Nimani, Kimete Canaj
	# Number of events for university staff supported by RISS members	1 Training workshop on research methodologies and funding opportunities (23 women, 14 men) - held	1 Training workshop on research and intellectual property (12 women, 11 men) & 1 Continuing professional development workshop held on December 2022 -dedicated to UET academic staff (13 women, 15 men)	2 training workshops to help academic staff/ researchers develop their research skills and methodology were held in January-February 2023. (in total 13 women and 11 men participated)	There are two RISS centers established at UP and currently are also being used by study committees as a working place for discussion regarding the preparation of new study programs. applications.	1 training workshop with focus on Innovative research methodologies was held on November 2022 (6 women, 9 men)	2 open discussions with focus on research trends (first one) and research opportunities (second one) were held in November and December 2022 (in total 12 women and 6 men participated)

	<p># Number of courses and training programs (i.e. non-formal) and other education/training products delivered through support of the RISS</p>	<p>1 Entrepreneurship training held in Nov 2022 (32 women, 21 men) & 1 Research methodology workshop held in December 2022 (7 women, 11 men)</p>	<p>2 Data analysis training workshops (focus on statistical analysis, data visualization, and data management) were held in January 2023 (27 women and 10 men participated in both workshops)</p>	<p>1 workshop on intellectual property protection, licensing, and startup formation dedicated to PUT students was held on January 2023 (9 women, 31 men)</p>	<p>These centers are also being used by master students as a working space for their group discussions and a quiet place for preparing the master thesis.</p>	<p>1 Presentation/pitching event of innovative case studies competing for national donor support - 20 students participated (13 women and 7 men)</p>	<p>1 open discussion on Artificial intelligence (AI) and communication tools was held on January 2023 (18 women and 11 men).</p>
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