



Final Report of monitoring visit

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Host Universities:	Universities of Baghdad, Mosul, Al-Qadisiyah and Kufa

To be completed by the person in charge of the monitoring

1. Monitoring activities carried out at the host universities

The working group carried out monitoring activities on the final elaboration of the start-up projects, the setting-up of the internship offices and the organization of the start-up days.

Claudia D’Orazio (PhD student of the University of Bologna) and Nadia Barbi (Staff member of the University of Bologna) carried out the monitoring activities as follows:

25th of April 2021: University of Mosul;
26th/27th of April 2021: University of Baghdad;
28th of April 2021: University of Kufa;
29th of April 2021: University of Al-Qadisiyah;

During the mission, the following activities have been realized:

- Visit to the newly established internship offices and monitoring of their management and operation and the use of equipment and books;
- Meeting with the Iraqi Universities staff members in order to discuss the organization of the start-up days;
- Meeting with the Iraqi staff members and students to discuss about the start-up projects;

2. Outcomes and impact

During the monitoring activities we had the opportunity to discuss with both the professors, students and administrative staff members of the Iraqi Universities. Administrative staff could better promote the internship activities thanks to the training received and the equipment and books.

On their side, professors and students, while underlining the initial difficulty to deal with books and software in English, they acknowledge their usefulness. They have completed the elaboration of the start-up projects and they are now focusing on the organization of the start-up days that will take place, as agreed in Autumn 2021.

3. Final recommendations



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1. The definition of a national action plan for the internships framing and implementation is highly recommended by the administrative staff members. The involvement of the MOHESR is essential within this aim;
2. Both Professors and Students need more training on issues related to entrepreneurial activities, especially with reference to the elaboration of business and sustainability plans for the newly elaborated start-up projects;