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EQIBELT CONSORTIUM
3nd COORDINATION MEETING

**University of Zagreb
University Computing Centre – SRCE
Friday, April 4, 2008**

AGENDA

Friday, April 4, 2008, University Computing Centre (SRCE), Room 25	
14:30 - 15:30	**Evaluation of the project progress**
	Overall overview of the planned outcomes and activities – Zoran Bekić Progress report of University of Zagreb – Zoran Bekić Progress report of University of Rijeka – Marta Žuvić-Butorac Progress report of University of Dubrovnik – Lucijana Leoni Contractor's and Project Partners' views on project and project progress Discussion
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 16:30	**Financial aspects of the project & project budget**
	Project financial overview – Peter Gabko Preparation of the financial documentation – Peter Gabko Discussion
16:30 – 17:15	**Future activity plan and other organizational issues**
	Activity plan and time table till the end of the project • Overall for the project - Z.Bekić • University of Zagreb - Z.Bekić • University of Rijeka - Marta Žuvić-Butorac • University of Dubrovnik - Lucijana Leoni Discussion
17:15 - 17:30	**Other issues and general discussion**

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PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

PROJECT CONSORTIUM

HR

- ❖ **University of Dubrovnik**
- ❖ **University of Rijeka**
- ❖ **University of Zagreb University Computing Centre**

- ❖ **Ministry of Science, Education and Sports**
- ❖ **Croatian Academic and Research Network CARNet**

EU

- ❖ **Estonian Information Technology Foundation - Estonian E-University**
- ❖ **Helsinki University of Technology - Dipoli Institute**
- ❖ **University of Edinburgh**
- ❖ **University of Leuven**
- ❖ **University of Porto**
- ❖ **University of Vienna**
- ❖ **Valencia University of Technology**
- ❖ **Vienna University of Technology**

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

(1) To develop and to agree on general, organizational (**policy**) and technical (**standards**) frameworks for implementation and using of e-learning at Croatian universities

(2) To shape and establish **e-learning support centers** at Croatian universities (members of the project consortium), as well as network of experts to foster and facilitate e-learning projects

(3) To demonstrate appropriate usage of e-learning technology (by conducting **pilot projects**) and to **promote e-learning**, as powerful tool for improvement of university education

EXPECTED RESULTS (1)
(OUTPUTS & OUTCOMES)

❖ **Policy & standards**

- ◆ University **vision** (declaration) on e-learning (why we want e-learning and what we want to achieve)

- ◆ University **policy** on e-learning (long term motivation and goals for implementation of e-learning, organization of support, level of support, evaluation and valorization procedures, sustainability of "e-learning system" /especially continuous "support lines"/, reliability of "e-learning infrastructure", …)

- ◆ **Implementation plan** for e-learning deployment, including business plans (models) for e-learning support centers

- ◆ Technical framework – set of **standards, rules and guidelines** for university e-learning projects

EXPECTED RESULTS (2)
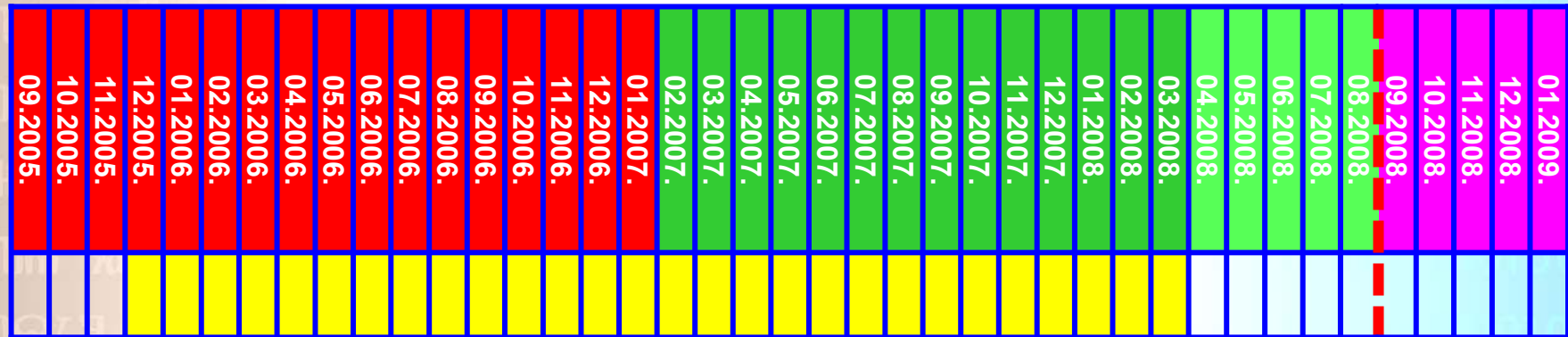## (OUTPUTS & OUTCOMES)

❖ **E-learning support centers**

  ◆ Full-time staff trained in the area of management and implementation of e-learning

  ◆ Technically equipped locations for e-learning support centers

  ◆ Clear business and sustainability models

  ◆ Publicly available list of services, terms of use and service level agreements of e-learning support centers

❖ **Pilot project**

  ◆ 3-4 pilot projects accepted and fully supported by the EQIBELT project

  ◆ Support to ongoing e-learning projects

Where we are (in time)?

| 09.2005. | 10.2005. | 11.2005. | 12.2005. | 01.2006. | 02.2006. | 03.2006. | 04.2006. | 05.2006. | 06.2006. | 07.2006. | 08.2006. | 09.2006. | 10.2006. | 11.2006. | 12.2006. | 01.2007. | 02.2007. | 03.2007. | 04.2007. | 05.2007. | 06.2007. | 07.2007. | 08.2007. | 09.2007. | 10.2007. | 11.2007. | 12.2007. | 01.2008. | 02.2008. | 03.2008. | 04.2008. | 05.2008. | 06.2008. | 07.2008. | 08.2008. | 09.2008. | 10.2008. | 11.2008. | 12.2008. | 01.2009. |

1st Coordination Meeting
December 9-10, 2005

2nd Coordination Meeting
February 1, 2007

3rd Coordination Meeting
April 4, 2008

14 months

31 months

10 months

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Site / study visits

HOST UNIVERSITY	Date	Visit	Report	Web
University of Leuven	Feb 06	☑	☑	☑
Valencia University of Technology	May 06	☑	☑	☑
Estonian E-University	Sep 06	☑	☑	☑
Helsinki University of Technology	Sep 06	☑	☑	☑
University of Porto	Oct 06	☑	☑	☑
University of Vienna	Nov 06	☑	☑	☑
Vienna University of Technology	Nov 06	☑	☑	☑
University of Edinburgh	Apr 07	☑	☑	☑
VUT & UniVIENNA (Supp.Cent.Teams)	Feb 08	☑	☑	☑
University of Leuven (Supp.Cent.Teams)	Apr 08			

Workshops

TITLE / TOPIC	Date	Report	Web
1st Policy Workshop on Creating University E-Learning Vision and Strategy **T.Bates & 4 EU & 7 CRO Lecturers** **50+ Participants**	**March 3-5, 2006**	☑ **EN** ☑ **HR**	☑
2nd Policy Workshop on E-Learning Standards **3 EU & 2 CRO Lecturers** **40+ Participants**	**June 22-23, 2006**	☑ **EN** ☑ **HR**	☑
3rd Policy Workshop on Pedagogical Opportunities of E-Learning **S.Atkinson & 2 EU & 10 CRO Lecturers** **55+ Participants**	**October 25-26, 2007**	☑ **EN** ☑ **HR**	☑

Workshops

TITLE / TOPIC	Date	Report	Web
1st Workshop on E-Learning Support Centers **3 EU & 1 CRO Lecturers** **45+ Participants**	**June 20-21, 2006**	☑ **EN** ☑ **HR**	☑
2nd Workshop on E-Learning Support Centers **9 EU & 6 CRO Lecturers** **45+ Participants**	**April 2-4, 2008**		☑

Lectures and Panels

LECTURER / TOPIC	Date	Web strm.	Web
Dr. Tony Bates **E-learning: Why Strategic Planning is Essential for Success**	March 2, 2006	☑	☑
Professor Tapio Varis **E-learning goes social - policy becomes e-inclusive**	June 20, 2006	☑	☑
Professor Erik Duval **Global Open Learning**	June 19, 2006	☑	-
Panel Discussion: E-Learning and Advancement of Higher Education	January 31, 2007	☑	☑

Lectures and Panels

LECTURER / TOPIC	Date	Web strm.	Web
Simon Atkinson on Pedagogical Opportunities of E-Learning	October 24, 2007	☑	☑

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Promotion and Dissemination

4 issues of project Newsletter ("E-UČENJE/E-LEARNING") **#1 (11/2005), #2 (04/2006), #3 (11/2006), #4 (09/2007) - circulation:3000** 	☑
EQIBELT Workshops 2006 - Proceedings	☑
PR & Press events	☑
EQIBELT WEB SITE (http://eqibelt.srce.hr) ≈68.450+ visits	☑
EQIBELT @ http://www.elearningeuropa.info/	☑

Strategic Documents

|	DUBROVNIK	RIJEKA	ZAGREB
Appointment of vision/strategy team	☑	☑	☑
Draft of vision / strategy	☑	☑	☑
Public presentation / discussion of vision/strategy proposal	☑?	☑	☑
Expert review	☑?	☑	☑
University strategy approved by Senate	☑?	☑	☑
Univ. action/implementation plan approved	?	☑	☑
Task force for standards appointed	☹	✓	☹
Univ. standards on e-learning approved	☹	☹	☹

E-Learning Support Centers

	DUBROVNIK	RIJEKA	ZAGREB
Support centers workshop #1	☑	☑	☑
Task Force appointed by rector/senate	?	?	☑
E-Learning support center established	?	?	☑
Human resources allocated	?	?	☺☺
Financial resources allocated	?☹	?☹	☺☺
Operational procedures and SLA defined	?	?	✓
Staff trained and ready for operations	?	?	☑

Pilot projects

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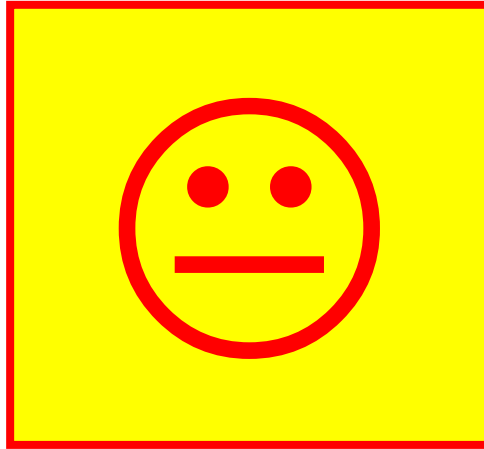
Project Management

☑ **3 consortium coordination meetings** (Dec 05, Feb 07, Apr 08)

☑ **3 inter-university meeting (Jan 06, Jun 07, Jan 08)**

☑ **2 monitoring visits (TUW>UNIDU, TUW&UNIZG@TUW)**

☑ **ETF workshop for contractors & coordinators (Dev 05)**

☑ **2+2 report to EC (TUW & UniZG)**

☑ **purchase of equipment for project management (UniZG)**

☑ **purchase equipment for e-learning centers (UniRI, UniDU)**

☑ **purchase of literature on e-learning (UniZG)**

☑ **financial & organizational issues TUW <-> partners**

☹ **survey - usage of e-learning @ HR universities (UNIZG)**

OVERALL PROJECT STATUS AND ACHIVEMENTS

☺ **a series (5+3+1) of high-quality knowledge transfer & experience / knowledge exchange events with 40-50+ participants**

☺ **good knowledge flow EU > CRO (10 study visits)**

☺ **good promotion of e-learning and dissemination of information on e-learning and EQIBELT project**

☺ **support from university managements**

☺ **strategic documents completed (DU-?)**

😐 **university e-learning center established at UNIZG**

☹ **e-learning centers not(?) operational yet at UNIRI & UNIDU**

☹ **no(?) real new resources allocated to e-learning centers**

😐 **pilot projects to be completed**

UNIVERSITY of ZAGREB (I)

❖ ☞… **overall project successes and failings**

☺ **continuous "political" support of university management**

☺ **raised awareness on opportunities of e-learning at most of faculties**

☺ **University strategy for E-learning developed in period February-June 2007 and approved by Senate in June 2007 after public debate**

☺ **E-learning (support) center (CEU) established within Srce with 3 FTE (re-allocation of the Srce resources)**

☺ **CEU has the authority of the central university office (to monitor and foster the implementation of the E-learning strategy)**

☺ **permanent University committee for E-learning appointed by Senate**

☺ **official e-learning contact points (two persons: vice-dean and e-learning coordinator) were appointed at each of 33 university departments**
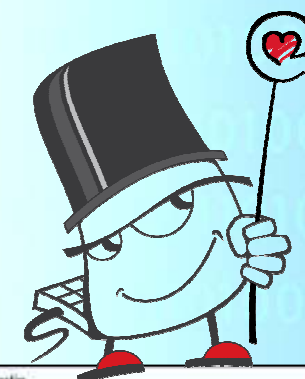
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☺ **common university platform established - MERLIN (based on Moodle) - available to all departments (institutionally), but also to individual teachers**

☺ **support & materials available for MERLIN users**

☺ **introductory course for teachers - ready to start**

☺ **university network for e-learning established (coordinators, support teams, teachers, students, "fans")**

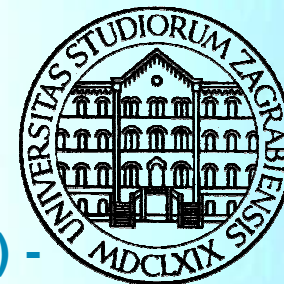☺ **Popodne@CEU (Afternoon@CEU) - every 3rd Monday at 4 p.m.**

UNIVERSITY of ZAGREB (III)

☺ **survey of the situation on e-learning (readiness, level of implementation, expectations) at all 33 departments (2007) - department's management view(!)**

☺ **request and survey of department's plans for the implementation of the e-learning in academic year 2007/2008**

☺ **cooperation with other Tempus projects:**

    ☺ Tempus project SCM - **Furtherance of Bologna Promotion in Croatia**

    ☺ Tempus project - **Quality Development of Higher Education** (UNIRI!)

    ☺ Tempus project - **Standardization in Teaching of Medicine -STEAMED**

    ☺ Tempus SCM projects: **Initiation of blended learning system & Computer-supported collaborative learning** (FYR Macedonia)

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