

**FOCUS
WORKSHOP ON STRATEGIC PLANNING**

11st - 12th March, 2014

**Universidad de Alicante
Carretera San Vicente del Raspeig s/n
Room: Laboratorio REUN-PI
(Politécnica I)**

TARGET: the target of the 2 days workshop at the University of Alicante will be FOCUS partners that will be involved in the activities related with the strategic planning at their home universities, and also the staff involved in the FOCUS project.

OBJECTIVE: The purpose of the training will be twofold. On the one hand to have an in-depth look of the strategic planning procedures of the University of Cork but also to the ones of KTH and Alicante so that project partners can bring to their home universities knowledge on how to adapt to their context. On the other hand, part of these 2 days will be also dedicated to a project meeting in which we will discuss the on-going activities and we will explore the possibility to request a project extension.

11th March	
8:45	Pick up at the NH Cristal hotel
09:45-10:00	Welcome Speech <i>Juan Llopis, Vice Rector for International Relations, University of Alicante</i>
10:00-10:20	Overview of the agenda and of the main focus of the 2 days <i>Ester Boldrini, University of Alicante</i>
10:20-11.30	Overview of strategic planning processes in UCC <i>Dr. Rónán Ó Dubhghaill, Director of Planning, UCC</i> The presentation will be followed by a question and answers session
11:30-12:00	Administrative issues
12:00-12:15	COFFEE BREAK
12.15 -13.15	Linkages between strategic planning, operational planning and quality assurance in UCC <i>Dr. Rónán Ó Dubhghaill, Director of Planning, UCC</i>
13.15–14.00	Group Discussion focussing on practical aspects of engagement of staff and students, with practical examples considered <i>Led by Dr. Rónán Ó Dubhghaill</i>
14:00-15:00	LUNCH BREAK
15.00–15.30	Quality Assurance at UCC <i>Dr. Norma Ryan, Former Director, Quality Promotion Unit, UCC</i>
15.30–17.00	Group Discussion led by Dr. Rónán Ó Dubhghaill
COMMON DINNER	

12th March	
7:45	Pick up at the NH Cristal hotel
8:30-9:30	Administrative issues
9:30-10:15	The University of Alicante strategic planning <i>Ramón Rizo, Vice Director of Institutional projects, University of Alicante</i>
10:15-11:00	The Royal Institute of Technology experience on strategic planning

	<i>Victor Kordas, KTH</i>
11:00-11:30	Swedish Higher Education Authority - national perspective of strategic planning and quality assurance <i>Mr. Lennart Ståhle, Swedish Agency for Higher Education</i>
11:30-11:45	COFFEE BREAK
11.45-13.30	12 min presentation by colleagues from each of the Libyan partner universities on progress to date in each university and principal issues and difficulties experienced in implementing an approach to strategic planning. 11.45 – 12.00 12.00 – 12.15 12.15 – 12.30 The presentations will be followed by group discussion led by Dr. Rónán Ó Dubhghaill, UCC.
13:30-15:00	LUNCH BREAK
15:00-16:00	Progress of Libyan universities in the project activities (quality unit, needs for online training of its staff, quality assurance manual, self assessment of study programmes, self assessment of services, dissemination of the project) <i>Each Libyan university coordinator</i>
16:00-16:30	Project meeting, including consideration of remaining activities planned for project <i>Ester Boldrini, University of Alicante</i>
16:30-17:00	AOB

List of participants:

Participant	Institution
Mohamed S. Ambarek	Libyan International Medical University
Elsanousi Othman	Libyan International Medical University
Hadil Naser	Libyan International Medical University
Mohamed Elammari	Libyan International Medical University
Ali Al-Towati	University of Benghazi
Mohammed Salem Elmusrati	University of Benghazi
Abdelgader Legnain	University of Benghazi
Rasha El-Mehdiwi	University of Benghazi
Saleh Abdalla	Omar Al-Mokhtar University
Saber Abdulgany	Omar Al-Mokhtar University
Assanousi Abufares	Omar Al-Mokhtar University
Norma Ryan	University College Cork
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Victor Kordas	Royal Institute of Technology
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