CIVIS FIRST YEAR

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CIVIS MILESTONES

What are the next steps and goals?

1. The "fabric" phase
   2019-2022

2. The "contruction" phase
   2023-2025

3. The "consolidation" phase
   2025+
CIVIS MISSION STATEMENT

- Long-term engagement
- Participative governance and sustainable collaboration
- Challenge-driven University
- Civic identity
- Engagement with the Mediterranean area and Africa
CIVIS FIRST YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION

(OCTOBER 2019-SEPTEMBER 2020)

During this first phase, the consortium has increased the mutual knowledge and mutual trust among its members, created several task forces to address all essential issues and started producing the first deliverables according to the initial work plan.

Besides the difficulties created by Covid-19 pandemic from March 2020, CIVIS has successfully laid down the foundations for the development of the European University.
WP1 - MANAGEMENT OF THE PROJECT

86.2%  
Satisfaction rate on partnership meetings

67.3%  
Satisfaction rate on financial management

80.4%  
Satisfaction rate on administrative management
Activities have been defined, correctly planned, and owners of activities have been identified. The number of meetings held for each Task Forces is lower than the set target.
WP2 - Governance and Deployment

13 Legal analyses
4 Boards of Rectors and Bureaus of the Board
18 Steering Committee Meetings
10 EU Meetings (Ministries, Quality Agencies, EUNIQ workshops)
Activities have been defined, correctly planned, owners of activities have been identified and the number of meetings held for this Task Force has been respected, according to the target.
WP3 - CIVIS LOCAL ENGAGEMENT AND TERRITORIAL IMPACT

Average number of active stakeholders per CIVIS University: 46
Average number of stakeholders at meetings: 15
Satisfaction rate about project agreements/Open Labs: 94.4%
WP3 - OPEN LABS

UAM & SU

- Number of project agreements between CIVIS Universities and local stakeholders in the OL network: 3 UAM & 6 SU
- Number of disadvantaged groups benefited from the project agreements in the OL network: 5 UAM & 8 SU
- Number of seed-funded projects in the OL network externally co-founded: 1 UAM & 5 SU

25% ANNUAL INCREASE
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One of the three hubs foreseen by M36 has started its activities during year 1.

Three more hubs were approved on 29 September 2020.
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WP5 - CIVIS, A BRIDGE TOWARDS THE MEDITERRANEAN AND AFRICAN REGIONS

Activities will start during the second year of the Project.

The deliverables of the WP5 Task Force set for the first year are completed:

- Dataset on existing partnerships;
- Analytical report on high-potential partnerships;
- Workshop/seminar for preselecting potential partner universities.)
WP6 - CIVIS STUDENT MOBILITY

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Agreement among CIVIS Universities have been signed for all degree programs

PRE-ARRIVAL DIGITAL PACKAGE
Joint services developed between CIVIS partners
WP6 - STUDENT MOBILITY FLOW


Outgoing
- BUC: 4
- SU: 7
- TU: 20
- ULB: 24
- NKUA: 32
- AMU: 39
- SUR: 41

Incoming
- BUC: 6
- NKUA: 13
- TU: 16
- ULB: 20
- SU: 32
- AMU: 33
- UAM: 34
- SUR: 44

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Students showed great interest for CIVIS study abroad opportunities. Despite the pandemic, outgoing Erasmus + study abroad more than doubled in 2020-2021, compared to 2019-20. Interest was even greater as shown by figures for selected students in February 2020.
WP6 - CIVIS STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES

Selected students 2020-21
TOTAL: 715

Outgoing students up to April 2021
TOTAL: 447
WP7 - CIVIS TEACHING EXCELLENCE

“VIRTUAL SCHOOL ON VIRTUAL MOBILITY”

First WP7 large event, 7th to 11th of September 2020

15% of multilingual tools per CIVIS partner
A collection of innovative pedagogies examples were collected from all CIVIS partner universities, based on a common methodology (53 innovative pedagogies examples). They were, then, included in the Innovative Pedagogies Handbook.

The TF has developed a process for identifying the multilingualism tools to be considered for the TF's activity and their implementation in all CIVIS structures.
WP7 - TASK FORCES

VIRTUAL MOBILITIES

- “Background note on Virtual Mobility” (VM TF) and first part in “CIVIS Handbook on VM"
- Collection of VM good practices from all CIVIS partners
- Summer School on Virtual Mobilities (125 participants, from all CIVIS Universities)
- The workshops of the schools have grounded the matrix and classification of VMs from the handbook
- Virtual mobility courses started to be delivered across all CIVIS WPs
WP8 - QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION

- 80% of measure indicators/total of indicators per WP
- 33.6% of returned questionnaires/type of stakeholders and WP
- 76.9% satisfaction rate about WP8 activities
WP9 - SUSTAINABILITY AND DISSEMINATION

- Website users: 47,876
- References to CIVIS on search engines: 137,000
- Twitter followers: 825
- Facebook followers: 1022
- Instagram followers: 1022
WP9 - SUSTAINABILITY AND DISSEMINATION

2. Global scale events (Mayors' day and Global CIVIS Day 2020)

93.4%. Satisfaction rate about CIVIS days
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CONCLUSION

The internal quality report covers the initial 12 months of the project which “will lay the foundation for our model, testing and piloting the basic structures”.

The task forces have been set up, with clear and shared terms of references and have been operating smoothly, with results in line with the expected outcomes.

This initial year surely suffered from the impact of external and internal negative factors, most and worst of all from the pandemic.

Some lessons should be learnt for the building of the overall strategy and tool. Indicators should be improved and the time dedicated to data gathering should be greatly reduced if the reports have to be an effective tool for project management.
KEY ELEMENTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Some recommendations are worth mentioning in order to ensure that obstacles will be successfully overcome, among these are:

- Accelerate the development of the digital campus platforms (WP1);
- Increase CIVIS advocacy/lobbying towards EU & national authorities including it in the Annual Deployment Reports (WP2);
- Increase the collaboration with local authorities/associated partners by creating the TF Regions (WP3);
- Organization of workshops/academic meetings to facilitate/boost academic collaborations within the 4 active Hubs (WP4);
- Clearly mention the objective of creating joint programmes/degrees in Hubs calls (WP4);
- Overcome internal obstacles for mobility implementation (i.e. adapt calendars; change quota systems) (WP6);
- Launch call for virtual mobilities/courses and ensure their recognition (WP7);
- Integrate multilingualism dimension in all CIVIS activities and adopt a common strategy (WP7);
- Develop joint initiatives to support student entrepreneurship (WP7);
- Draft a report and a common strategy on QA for Teaching (WP8);
- Improve the dissemination strategy (WP9).