

Preparing Educational Material

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The University of Parma



The main goal of WP2 is to develop training and teaching material for building capacity in implementing OAIRs, and in technically and operationally managing them. Activities include:

1. Organizing educational material preparation workshop
2. Preparing educational material
3. Preparing training delivery plan
4. Preparing vocational training material in Arabic language

Training and Academic Teaching

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Vienna University of Technology



Trainees from PS HEIs are trained by professional staff at partner EU HEIs on establishing institutional digital repository (design, implementation, maintenance and management methods). Activities include:

1. Delivering summer school
2. Delivering training workshops
3. Delivering academic teaching



The ROMOR Project "Research Output Management through Open Access Institutional Repositories in Palestinian Higher Education Institutions" aims over the course of three years to build capacity on research output management in four leading Palestinian Higher Education Institutions (PS HEIs) by establishing Open Access Institutional Repositories (OAIRs). Realizing OAIRs in PS HEIs will not only improve the visibility and the management of scientific research, but also will support the advocacy in support of open access to research outputs and to foster scholarly communication and coordination between PS HEIs and the regional and the international research community.

Needs Assessment

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University of Brighton



WP1 aims to identify the capacity needs of the PS HEIs with respect to research output management and open access. The main activities of WP1 are:

1. Identifying the size of research output and the current practice of research output management in PS HEIs
2. Identifying best practices and standards in research output management
3. Organizing needs assessment workshop to identify needs of partner PS HEIs



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Project Management

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The objective of this work package is to ensure that the project meets its objectives within budget and scheduled timescales. Activities include:

1. Developing a plan for project management
2. Organizing project representatives meetings
3. Delivering project progress reports
4. Project management activities

Quality Assessment

University of Glasgow

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Quality control and quality assurance activities are to assure that project deliverables meet their stated requirements, and also the project processes are appropriately followed. The main activities of WP6 are:

1. Developing quality assessment plan
2. Project quality assessment
3. Organizing annual quality assessment meetings

Planning OAIRs in PS HEIs

Birzeit University

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Each partner PS HEI takes the initiative to develop a model for its OAIR. EU partners supervise the progress of these developments and evaluate the models. Partner PS HEIs build on the knowledge they gained in the training sessions for successfully conducting the following activities:

1. Developing institutional repository model.
2. Research Data Pilot Study.
3. Developing institutional repository policies.
4. Developing production repository implementation plan for long term support and management.
5. Organizing evaluation workshop.

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Student exchange supports a deeper integration and form the basis for joint theses supervision as well as helping students from Palestine to establish contacts with researchers at partner EU HEIs. While joint research activities between academic staff help to strengthen and broaden the beginning cooperation between partner PS HEIs and partner EU HEIs. In this component, staff members and students from Palestinian partner universities will benefit from mobility grants and scholarships in European partner HEIs.

Dissemination of Project Deliverables

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The partner PS HEIs work on establishing and supporting an expandable and self-sustaining network of stakeholders. This is centered on a website with a Wiki providing a shared infrastructure for the stakeholders' network. Main activities of WP7 are:

1. Developing exploitation strategy
2. Developing dissemination plan
3. Populating ROMOR platform
4. Collaborating with stakeholders

Building OAIR in PS HEIs

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Partner PS HEIs implement four OAIRs based on the developed models in WP4. EU partners monitor the progress of work and evaluate the implemented repositories. The activities of WP5 are:

1. Implementing four OAIRs in partner PS HEIs
2. Organizing evaluation workshop
3. Developing promotion and advocacy plan
4. Developing a scaling up plan for IUG OAIR
5. Populating and scaling up activities