

Closing Meeting on Strategic Support for Accreditation of Programs (SSAPI) and Internationalization under ERASMUS+ Project at Islamabad, Pakistan

A three-member delegation from Khesar Gyalpo University of Medical Sciences of Bhutan attended the Project Closing Meeting of the project 'Strategic Support for Accreditation of Programs and Internationalization at South Asian Higher Education Institutes (SSAPI)' at Islamabad hosted by the FAST-National University of Computer and Emerging Sciences (NUCES), Riphah International University (RIPHAH) and Capital University of Science and Technology from 1st to 4th June 2024. The project was co-funded by the European Union under Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education.



Other universities who joined the consortium came from Royal University of Bhutan, University of Bremen, Germany, University of Evora, Portugal, three Universities from Pakistan and two Universities each from Maldives and Sri Lanka.



The main objectives of the meeting were:

1. Finalization of financial statements and reports for the last 3 years (2021,2022, 2023)
2. Finalization of deliverables of the SSAPI project
3. Discussion of final project reporting to EU funding agency.
4. Quality Board meeting to finalize deliverables and quality reports

5. Dissemination board meetings to finalize final dissemination activities
6. Steering Committee meeting to endorse deliverables and financial reports.
7. Experience sharing on program accreditation and internationalization.

Project Meetings

Besides the general meetings on accreditation of programs, knowledge sharing on internationalization and guided educational tours, the following bilateral meetings were conducted to achieve the objectives:

1. One round of Project Managers Meetings
2. One round of Quality Board Meetings
3. One round of Finance Officers Meetings
4. Two rounds of project meeting
5. One day international conference on Accreditation and Internationalization.



Outcome of the Meeting

The following are the outcomes of the Project Meeting:

1. Finalized the financial statements and reporting for the last 3 years.
2. Finalized deliverables of the SSAPI project.
3. Disseminated outcome of the project by each project partner in the International Conference on Accreditation and Internationalization hosted by Higher Education Commission, Pakistan.
4. Discussed and scheduled the final project reporting to EU funding agency.
5. Exchanged of best practices on accreditation and internationalization through knowledge sharing sessions by the respective Universities.



6. Experienced the educational facilities of three host Universities and guided tour of Islamabad City such as the Monument, Faisal Masjid, Monal, the Food Mall, Taxila Musium, Dharmarjika (Buddhist historical sites) and Murree and Nathia Gali Hill Stations.

