

PACTUM GENERAL ASSEMBLY - MINUTES

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Location: Siena, Italy

Event called by: Luca Verzichelli, University of Siena

EVENT DESCRIPTION

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AT THE EVENT:	27
PARTICIPANTS (ORGANISATIONS):	<p>UNIVERSITY OF CARTHAGE (UCAR)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. ASMA GHACHEM2. Wafa HARRAR MASMOUDI3. NEILA CHAABANE4. TAHER JALLOULI <p>UNIVERSITY OF KAIROUAN</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">5. MOHAMED SAHBI CHARRADI6. GAITH CHAOUECHE7. WAFIK SELMI8. MARWA HATTAB <p>UNIVERSITY OF SFAX</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">9. FAIEZ GARGOURI10. LOTFI SELLAMI11. KHALIL FENDRI (ONLINE) <p>UNIVERSITY OF SOUSSE (ONLINE)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">12. LOTFI TARCHOUNA13. ROMDHANI HICHEM <p>UNIVERSITY OF TUNIS EL MANAR</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">14. ASMA NOUIRA15. DONIA SMAALI16. KHALIFA HERBAOUI17. MOUNIR TIBAOUI <p>UNIVERSITY OF GRANADA</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">18. RAQUEL OJEDA GARCIA <p>UNIVERSITY OF MONTPELLIER</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">19. CHRISTOPHE ROUX <p>UNIMED</p>



20. PAOLA ROMANO
21. SILVIA MARCHIONNE (ONLINE)

**MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND
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22. MALEK KOCHLEF

UNIVERSITY OF SIENA

23. LUCA VERZICHELLI
24. MATIAS NESTORE
25. LAILA ABD EL GAWED

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26. LORENZO MARTELLINI
27. ANDREA ANZANELLO

EVENT DESCRIPTION:

The session started at 10:00

Luca Verzichelli - General Assembly introduction (USIENA):

- Institutional greetings
 - Presentation of the work produced within each WP
 - Introduction of Dr. Malek Kochlef and the Ministry's role in the project consortium
 - Roundtable introduction of the participants
 - Agenda for the meeting.
1. Following the instructions given by Dr. Giulietti, all partners agreed to hold the next training sessions in Tunisia, rather than Europe, to better fulfil the foreseen objectives of the PACTUM training sessions. The training sessions dates will be defined as soon as each Tunisian partner specifies its own availability for both date and location (possibly 2 to 5 February 2023/ 16 to 19 February 2023).
 2. WP1 – Introduction by Paola Romano (UNIMED)
Presentation of the deliverables completed and discussion on the deliverable to be completed.
Information on a *research master's in political science* needs to be added to D1.1
 3. WP2/WP4 – Introduction by Christophe Roux and Asma Nouira (UMON and UTM)
Presentation of the work done, role of the Scientific Committee, work done on Summer Schools. Full report on the 2021 cycle Summer Schools 2021:
List of summer schools and titles
Differences between first year and second year of Summer Schools
Interim report on 2022 cycle of Summer Schools 2022. They have been launched in June 2022.



Multidisciplinary themes in this Summer School cycle (responding to the needs highlighted by UNIMED)

List of Summer School courses and themes

4. WP3 – Introduction by Asma Ghachem and Issam Ben Hassen (UCAR and USF)

Asma Ghachem explains that the University of Carthage and Tunis El Manar are following the path of the *co-diplomation* as regards the PACTUM Master, which will be held both in English and French. The two partners concluded by discussing their common study plan and possible syllabus. An important issue underlined by the Project Officer: The University of Carthage already offers a course on Governance and Anticorruption policy. Therefore, their PACTUM Master's syllabus will not include it, but it would be available since it is offered as mainstreaming activity to all the students of the Pactum Master. All other partners will insert a mandatory course on anti-corruption policies in Tunisia, as required.

The Tunisian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, represented by Mr. Kochlef suggested to precisely define the extent of involvement and the role played by the European partners who, as agreed during this session, will mainly consist of seminars, lectures and/or laboratory activities compatible with each Tunisian partner's requests.

The MHESR, accordingly to what requested by the European Commission, stresses the importance of English language as teaching language.

Focus of the meeting on the master's program and accreditation process.

Possibilities for further dissemination and wider impact/cooperation.

As final decision the Universities agreed on a master course characterized as follows:

- Coordination team set: *Asma Ghachem (UCAR), Asma Noura (UTM), Gaith Chaouèche (UK), Lotfi Tarchouna (US), Ben Hassen Issam (USF)*
- Each partner will present the same master course proceeding by individual accreditation requests to the MHESR
- The teaching language chosen for the PACTUM Master is English. French language resources are admitted too. In any event, the teaching material and the official documentation will be in English.
- Common statement and press release to be produced by the end of November 2022



5. WP5 – Introduction by Raquel Ojeda Garcia (UGRA)

State of play of quality monitoring.

Presentation of the methodology for quality assessment and of the complementary work done by Pixel as external evaluators. In the afternoon Pixel presented its own methodology and a draft proposal for the PACTUM Quality Plan that will be modified or not accordingly to each partner's feedback.

6. WP6 – Introduction by Mohamed Sahbi Charradi (UK)

State of play of the dissemination plan. Figures from the website and content of the social network pages of the project. Paola Romano (UNIMED) highlights the importance of a regular publication of news and event reports on the website.

Focus on the recruitment of European students for the Summer Schools: a wider commitment on social media sponsorship is needed to promote summer schools and the entire PACTUM project among students (e.g., choosing Instagram as preferred channel rather than Facebook could be an option)

7. WP7 – Introduction by Luca Verzichelli and Matias Nestore (USIENA)

- Management of cost of stay – reference to the Addendum to the Partnership Agreement signed by all partners for the transfer of cost of stay management from USIENA to UNIMED.
- Financial reporting state of play.

It was requested to all partners a greater commitment in delivering Joint Declarations and timesheets in order to upload the Interim Financial Report before November 30th, 2022.

ATTACHMENTS

ATTENDANCE SHEET (pdf):

Title: Attendance sheets 2 to 5 November 2022