EUNAM Ferrara Meeting September 24-25, 2014

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Attached the decisions taken in the meeting and plans for the next meeting

DECISIONS
The program, list of attendees, the decisions and any published articles granted by EU FP7/2007-2013 grant 260715 will be posted on the EUNAM web sites (http://www.dfkz.de/en/molgen_epidemiology/EUNAM/EUNAM.html).

Decisions
1) Discussion on EUNAM final recommendations for EU. Paul Dourgnon will prepare a draft proposal by October 31, 2014. Each partner is invited to comment and add ideas. The recommendations could be published in Arabic and in English.
2) Discussion of the meeting proposal 1: “Foreigners in the Maghreb and Maghreb abroad: health and social issues”, in Tunisia, organized by partner Hassene Kassar, relating to WP4 and WP6. The tentative dates are January 26-28, 2015. Location should be reachable by the partners. It was agreed that the meeting is highly relevant to the aims of EUNAM. Hassene was asked to prepare a detailed proposal including health related aspects and EU dimension, perhaps with some EUNAM partners as speakers. The level of support (€5000 or more) will be decided when the program is being finalized.
3) Discussion of the meeting proposal 2: “Disease Panorama in North Africa and its influence on immigrants to Europe”. The expected venue dates would be in March 11-13, 2015 in Tangier, Morocco, organized by partner Meriem Khyatti. The meeting responds to WP4, WP5 and WP6. The last day would be the EUNAM final meeting. Support to the meeting was agreed upon. The level of EUNAM funding can be decided when the program and the budget for these two connected meetings is becoming finalized.
4) It is expected that EUNAM partners cover their travel and accommodation costs for these meetings. The extra EUNAM support would be used to fund other speakers and joint activities.
5) Final report: One session of the final meeting will be devoted to the activity of each partner in each of the EUNAM WPs. Kari Hemmingi will distribute a draft to each partner to fill in early January.
6) Special issue: Each corresponding author should send a pdf of his/her article to all other partners.
Funding decisions:

1) Approval of funding for Natascia Rinaldo and Khalid Moumad to the project end, March 31, 2015. The total costs for Imane Meziane and Chaymaa Marouf were some €4000 and €3000 more expensive that budgeted; these were decided to be covered from the training funds.

Next meetings:
The next and last meeting will take place on early March, 2015 in Tangier, Morocco, organized by Meriem Khyatti and Kari Hemminki.

Preliminary topics for the EUNAM Tangier meeting:

1) EUNAM recommendations; a specialist from EU could be invited.
2) Overview of the ongoing and planned joint publications, which should be finished by the end of the funding period March 31st 2015.
3) Final report