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Subject: Request for further pre-financing
Erasmus Mundus Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies
Agreement N° 2019-1506
Project N° 610564
(please quote in all correspondence)

Dear Prof. Dorothy Kelly,

I am pleased to inform you that following your request for further pre-financing received on 27/04/2023, the pre-financing payment will be executed in accordance with article I.4 of the Grant Agreement. The amount of EUR 1.133.000 will be transferred shortly to your account (in two instalments; respectively EUR 1.084.000 and EUR 49.000).

We remind you that the final amount of the grant will be determined by the Agency at the time of the calculation of the balance of the above project.

Please follow-up on the below recommendations and provide your feedback in your next report:

1. Feedback on the project implementation

- The attractiveness of GEMMA is confirmed by the increasing number of good quality applications each year. We note that this increase has driven the consortium to implement a new selection process in two steps, which simplifies the administrative burden while ensures quality and competitiveness in the process.
- In relation to the overall allocation of the scholarships, we are pleased to read that GEMMA expect to cover all the scholarships left, including the ones in the targeted regions. We note that savings from drop-outs and students that will carry out their last semester in their country of origin allows for an additional full scholarship, which shows an efficient scholarship management.

- Regarding the specific case of student Maisaa Alamoudi, we understand the interest of the consortium to cover the Gulf Countries scholarship after the targeted promotion carried out in this region. Maisaa Alamoudi can receive a scholarship under the Gulf Countries window provided she had the Saudi Arabian nationality at the time of her application.
- Furthermore, we would like to congratulate the consortium with the achievements so far in relation to the European Approach for Quality Assurance for Joint Programmes. We are happy to read that the accreditation is expected by the end of this year and we are confident that this quality label will boost the programme sustainability.
- As concerns visibility and promotion, we note several prizes and recognitions received by GEMMA students as well as new projects resulting from GEMMA's network and activities organized by the industrial partners. In this regard, the revamp of the GEMMA website also plays a crucial role. The new dedicated website is comprehensive, user friendly and up to date. It provides the necessary information for applicants and adopts the EU visibility rules. It is also good to note that the GEMMA Master thesis repository will be available online through the website and the series 'Researching with GEMMA' will be available in open access.
- The strategy of providing remote access to the conferences and seminars to the whole GEMMA community is a good practice that we encourage to sustain. It is indeed a good contribution to the exchange of knowledge in the field and a valuable promotion tool for the Master.
- Finally, we note that the difficulties in involving scholars identified during the first intakes are solved now. We remind you that GEMMA should finance at least four invites scholars/ guest lecturers per intake, engaged in the EMJMD activities for at least 8 weeks in total. Besides, the mobility duration of each scholar/guest lecturer reported in the EMT tool should correspond with the declared dates in the scholar/guest lecturer activity report annexed to your final report. The fulfilment of this requirement will be assessed at reporting stage and we remind you that it might have an impact on the overall quality evaluation of the project.

2. Feedback on the data extracted from the EMT and financial assessment

- We acknowledge the situation of student Taina Da Rocha Val and invite you to request a change of her status in the EMT for us to list her under the drop out students.
- We kindly request you to update the encoding of scholars in EMT (notably Intake 2)

- We took note of the former encoding mistake affecting the ranking of the reserve list

As your project is now online on the [Erasmus+ Project Results Platform](#) to ensure transparency and visibility of EU funding, we invite you to update your project data and to upload your project results. Please note that these results will become publicly available only after the validation of your final report by the Agency.

For any questions, please contact Belen ENCISO; Belen.ENCISO@ec.europa.eu.

Yours sincerely,

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