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Brussels. EACEA/A3/24D000048

Subject: Acceptance of Final report

GEMMA: Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies

Agreement N° 2017-1847

Project N° 586565

(please quote in all correspondence)

Dear Inmaculada Marrero.

I am pleased to inform you that your final report received on 30/12/2023 has been accepted.

Following the assessment of the final report, the amount of EUR 99.000 has to be reimbursed to the Agency. You will find in the Annex to this letter, the feedback on the financial and technical aspects of your report.

You will shortly receive a refund request that will allow you to proceed with the reimbursement.

Should you fail to pay the amount indicated on the debit note within the date set by the Agency, there will be a penalty interest at the rate indicated on the debit note. The Agency reserves the right to recover any amounts due by setting off against amounts of any kind owed to your organisation, or forced recovery on the basis of a Commission decision.

Please note that in accordance with the General Terms and Conditions of the agreement, your institution may be subject to further financial control by the Agency, any other body authorised by the Agency to do so, the European Commission, the European Anti Fraud Office (OLAF) and/or by the European Court of Auditors. Please therefore be reminded to keep all accounting items and supporting documentation related to this agreement for a period of 5 years following the payment of the balance.

In accordance with the Grant Agreement and based on the Award Criteria of the call for proposals, your report received a mark of 90/100.

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In accordance with article I.9.8 of your Grant Agreement, as amended with "Amendment N° 2017 - 1923 / 001 - 005", of 19/09/2022 and considering that the assessment of your final report resulted in a score of 75 or more, we hereby confirm that you can run the course currently funded by your existent Grant Agreement under Call EAC/A03/2016 (action Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees) as an "Erasmus Mundus master" for up to three additional editions after the end of your project.

We remind you that running the course as Erasmus Mundus master entails a commitment to:

- (i) continue respecting the objectives, scope, expected impact of the action implemented with your Grant Agreement N° 2017 1923 / 001/001;
- (i) engage to ensure continuity with the previously funded Master programme;
- (ii) provide an activity report at the end of the period concerned.

The commitments above shall be given through a binding letter

Regarding the deliverables uploaded to the <u>Erasmus+ Project Results Platform</u>, please note that results containing personal data will not be published, in compliance with the data protection regulation.

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

Yours sincerely,

Qualified electronic signature by: LUCIANO DI FONZO Date: 2024-02-02 17:44:12 +01:00

> Luciano DI FONZO Acting Head of Unit

Annex: Financial and Technical Assessment

c.c. (by email) Project Coordinator Prof. Dr. Adelina Sánchez Espinosa

## A. Financial assessment

A. Proposed Erasmus Mundus Grant:
B. Final grant after report assessment:
C. Total pre-financing paid:
D. To be reimbursed (C-B):

EUR 4.021.000
EUR 3.922.000
EUR 4.021.000
EUR 99.000

The difference between the Erasmus Mundus grant according to the grant agreement and the final grant after the report assessment results from an unspent scholarship under the Gulf Countries window, a drop out student from intake 3, reduced monthly allowances relating to a Partner Country student and savings from ENI east and ENI South mobilities.

## B. Technical assessment

As a general remark, we consider that the consortium has made important efforts in offering an innovative and interdisciplinary training in the field of Women's and Gender Studies and has become a global reference in this field, attracting outstanding candidates and scholars from all over the world. The implementation of the activities is in line with the expected project objectives and it is safe to say that GEMMA contributed since its creation in 2007 to develop the academic field of women and gender studies, to build research networks in this discipline and to foster the internationalisation in the participating HEIs and its staff.

The Agency would like to take this opportunity to highlight aspects of the implementation of the GEMMA Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree:

- 1) The joint work carried out among the consortium partners for the obtention of the **European Approach for Quality Assurance for Joint Programmes** is not only seen as a key measure to ensure operationality and sustainability of the GEMMA programme, but also as an element to strengthen ownership and integrated approaches.
- 2) It is good to note that following the external experts' recommendations, the consortium is exploring the possibilities to integrate **credited internships** in all partners' curricula and to include the information on these internships in the Diploma Supplement. The inclusion of internships as part of the curriculum will certainly contribute to the connection of the GEMMA students with the professional world. Linked to the above, we invite you to think strategically about how career guidance could be further enhanced in the consortium communication. For instance, it could be useful for both candidates and current students to have a section on possible career paths on the website.
- 3) We note as well the joint academic calendar and the common regulations for the evaluation of the **Master thesis** as examples of GEMMA's good practices. It is good to note that the Master theses are made available via an online repository, which exemplifies the excellency and the interdisciplinary of the programme. For the next programme phase,

we encourage the consortium to achieve the same level of coordination and cooperation in the teaching and assessment practice than in the thesis assessment practice.

4) We would like to congratulate the consortium with the revamped **GEMMA website**, which is comprehensive, easily accessible and user friendly. As a major tool for the promotion and dissemination of the Master, the GEMMA website is contractually bound to the use of the Erasmus+ publicity requirements. Please note that, besides the correct EU logo, the website **must also include the following disclaimer**, in accordance with the Erasmus+ visual identity rules:

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Please make sure to add the disclaimer in the bottom banner of the website and inform us when this is done. We remind the consortium that the EU emblem and the disclaimer must be used in all communication materials, including the volumes of the Researching with GEMMA Peter Lang series, which as we understood were covered with Erasmus Mundus grant.

5) Finally, we would like to highlight the positive impact of the consortium's cooperation, not only in promoting social and political changes and in closing gender gaps in the communities where the students and alumni come from, but also in enhancing the equality policies of the consortium universities.