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ToT2 "SDGs At The University – Concepts, Behaviour, Research & Education" WP2 Capacity Building

5th – 8th July 2021 Online Platform Zoom





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ToT1 "Supporting Campu	s Sustainability at Institutional Level"
Deliverable	D2.2.1 Training of Trainers delivery
Date of Event / Activity	5th – 8th July 2021
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1. Objectives

The objective of the MYSUN Training of Trainers workshops (ToTs) is to deliver high quality and relevant training workshops on campus sustainability to staff of the Malaysian partner HEIs, and that will be applicable to the implementation of WPs 3, 4 and 5.

The focus of ToT2 was on supporting campus sustainability at institutional level, with the following specific objectives:

- To get an overview of the Sustainable Development Goals and understand how they are / can be integrated into the University.
- To understand stakeholders' behaviour and the principles of behaviour change, in order to develop better attitudes towards sustainability.
- To identify how the SDGs can be integrated into the university curricula.

2. Results

ToT2 corresponds to 10.5h of training that was delivered in three days, as follows:

- Day 1: 14:30 18:00 (MY Time) on July 5th 2021
- Day 2: 14:30 18:00 (MY Time) on July 6th 2021
- Day 3: 14:30 18:00 (MY Time) on July 7th 2021
- Day 4: 14:30 18:00 (MY Time) on July 8th 2021

The training were delivered online through a Zoom platform hosted by UNIMAS.

The training consisted in a combination of PowerPoint presentations, discussion sessions and working sessions, using online tools such Jamboard (online whiteboard), Mentimeter & Woolclap (for polls or surveys) and Menti (for mind maps). Ppts and extra materials made available have been saved in the corresponding Google Drive folders.

Training was provided by staff from MYSUN partner institutions as follows:



- UA: Ms Cristina Beans
- UNIGE: Eng PhD Paola Laiolo, Prof. Silvia Siri
- FHJ: Prof Mag. Dr Harald Friedl

In addition to the training, the workshop also involved take home activities related to the presented topics for the Malaysia partners to prepare, followed by presentations from each Malaysian partners on the following days. The two take home activities based on the second and third day presentations by trainers from EU Partners for presentations on the third and fourth days.

Statistics

There were a total of 52 people trained during ToT2.

	Women	Men	Teaching staff	Admin / Tech staff	SO staff	Students	Externals
UUM	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
UMP	0	3	2	1	0	0	0
UPM	3	5	8	0	0	0	0
UiTM	3	1	4	0	0	0	0
MMU	0	4	4	0	0	0	0
UTM	5	5	10	0	0	0	0
UNIMAS	1	3	4	0	0	0	0
UMS	4	6	9	0	0	1	0
UA	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
FHJ	0	2	1	0	0	0	1
UNIGE	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	20	31	47	2	0	1	1

Trainees Part 1

SOURCE: DATA

3. Quality Assurance

3.1. Deviations or Mitigation Actions

The MYSUN ToTs were scheduled to start in November 2020 according to the project work plan. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic and strict lockdowns put in place in the partner countries, the project work was significantly impacted, causing strong delays in various project activities, starting with WP1's data collection (and subsequent analysis and reporting) and the Study Visit to UNIGE. Additionally, there was a desire expressed by the partners to delay the ToTs as much as possible in the hopes that they could take place face-to-face instead of online, as the intention was to include a strong practical aspect and visits



to the installations of the host institutions, and there were concerns about the complications of organizing complete 3-day trainings (lasting between 15-18h) online with the related "online fatigue" and complications of the time difference between the EU and Malaysia.

Finally, in the December 17th coordination meeting, the MYSUN management board agreed to organize ToT1 in a 100% online format, organized in 2 parts (lasting between 3-4h/day, over 3 days each time) with a few weeks in between. It was also agreed to organize ToT2 in either a 100% online or blended format (depending on possibilities of travel) before summer 2021, but to postpone ToT3 until after the summer in the hopes of being able to maintain at least one fully face-to-face training, should the conditions allow for travel.

3.2. Quality Feedback

For ToT 2 which focused on SDGs At The University – Concepts, Behaviour, Research & Education, the overall networking process was done very well. The organization of the training went smoothly, and the participants unanimously agreed that the training content provided fulfilled the objectives of the ToT. Feedbacks from the participants were requested after the ToT2.

4. Communication & Dissemination

Communication was done via all MYSUN's social media médiums pre and post workshop. Pictures of the dissemination are attached below. The TOT2 activities were reported in MYSUN social media sites Twitter and Facebook.

5. Conclusions

As a result of the training, it is considered that the participants have learned

- The most relevant SDGs for universities
- How SDGs can be integrated into the policies & activities of Malaysian campuses
- How to influence behaviour through marketing
- The principles of behaviour change
- Strategies to influence behaviour
- How behaviour and attitude change influences curriculum transformation
- How to transform a curriculum to include sustainability

The next step identified for the partners is for each partner to organize at least one seminar for their staff and/or students replicating any relevant aspect of this training, adapted to the needs and context of their institution.

For the remaining future ToT, there will be TOT3, where we would prioritize on having face-to face sessions if it is possible, contingent on the Covid19 pandemic, in particular its impact on national/international travel as well as on the possibility of partners to gather in their own institution as a group, or be limited to individual access to the training through their personal computers.



Images from TOT2 activities

















