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A Report of
Second Study Visit cum Consortium Meeting of AURORA

25th – 29th April 2023

Kathmandu

Organized by
Open and Distance Education Centre
Tribhuvan University
Nepal

Introduction

Alliance of Universities to Reinforce teacher training curricula to Outcast Radicalism and promote equality in Asian societies (AURORA) is the project co-funded by Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union. Under this project, there is an alliance of twelve universities from six countries. The project has intended to develop the courses on gender equality and inclusive education, active citizenship and democratic values, and combating radicalism for the Asian countries, Nepal and India, with the help of the experts from European partner universities. For such intension, the study visit has been focusing on sharing the ideas of best practices in the universities of Asia and Europe and on the discussion of rigorous process of course development.

Allied Institution and Countries

1. Tribhuvan University, Nepal
2. Banasthali Vidyapith, India
3. Universidad De Malaga, Spain
4. Babes-Bolyai University, Romania
5. University College Cork, Ireland
6. Masaryk University, Czech Republic
7. Kalinga Institute of Social Science (KISS), India
8. Pokhara University, Nepal
9. Savitribai Phule Pune University, India
10. Edulab, India
11. Anugraha, India
12. National Law College, Nepal

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This study visit was organized by Open and Distance Education Centre, Tribhuvan University, Nepal. It was conducted in Kathmandu from 25th April to 29th April. The following table shows the number of participants and corresponding institutions of different countries.

Name of Institutions	Number of Participants
Tribhuvan University	15
Pokhara University	3
Banasthali Vidyapith	3
Masaryk University	2
Anugraha	2

Edulab	3
National Law College	12
KISS	2
Savitribai Phule Pune University	2
Babes-Bolyai University	1
Online Participation from Europe – University of Malaga, Ireland, and Romania	

Visit Activities and Outcomes

The consortium was started from 25th April 2023. The day-wise activities of the consortium are explained as follows.

25 April 2023 – It was the day of arrival of the experts from the partner institutions. We, Tribhuvan University, welcomed all the guests and helped them to reach the hotel.

26 April 2023: Workshop Activities and Presentation

Time	Activities
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 – 10:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Ceremony</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chief Guest – Prof. Dr. Shivlal Bhusal, Rector, TU</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Short Speech by representative of different Universities and colleges</p>
10:30 – 10:45	Tea/ Coffee

10:45 – 12:15	Key Notes: Sharing Best practices
12:15 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:30	Sharing Course Pilot experiences: Feedback and Comments (by teachers from different university)
14:30 – 14:45	Tea/Coffee
14:45 - 16:15	Sharing Course Pilot experiences: Feedback and Comments (by teachers from different university)
Moving around Patan Darbar Square in the evening	

26 April 2023: Workshop Activities and Presentation

Time	Workshop Activities
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 – 10:30	AURORA Club and Students' Presentation (National Law College and ODEC TU)
10:30 – 10:45	Tea/ Coffee
10:45 – 12:15	AURORA Club and Students' Presentation (National Law College and ODEC TU)
12: 15 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:30	Quality Assurance for AURORA Courses (Online/fact-to-face discussion)
14:30 – 14:45	Tea/Coffee
14:45 – 16:15	Dissemination and Next visit planning
Visited Pashupatinath Temple and Arati	

26 April 2023: Workshop Activities and Presentation

Time	Workshop Activities
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 – 13:00	NLC, TU and Chandragiri Hills Visit: Field Experiences
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:15	Press Release and (or Swayambhu Nath Visit: Field Experiences)

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This was the last day of the consortium. In this day, the program was formally closed with the distribution of participant certificate for all participants. The reflection of the consortium activities and presentation from the representative of AURORA partner institutions were made. Likewise, there was a discussion on the next visit activities and overall process.

Major Activities of AURORA in this Visit

The following are the major activities conducted in the second study visit cum Consortium meeting.

- Reviewed the progress and planning for further activities of the project
- Shared knowledge and experience about the implementation of capacity building programs in higher education.
- Discussed and created a platform for networking among participating institution
- Discussed on Quality Assurance process for AURORA Courses
- Discussed on AURORA Club and its activities