



AdReN – Automatic Recognition in the Adriatic Region

Project overview

AdReN kick-off meeting – Online
23.09.2020
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Context



Where the idea of the AdReN project comes from:

- 2018 – first meeting of the AdReN network (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Italy, Slovenia)
- 2019 – second meeting of the AdReN network (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Italy)
- AdReN website architecture designed



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The AdReN project

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- NARIC call 2020-2022
- 1st September 2020 – 31st August 2022
- Co-funded by the European Commission



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Partners

- CIMEA – Italy
- IUAV University of Venice – Italy
- Agency for Science and Higher Education – Croatia
- DOATAP – Greece
- ENIC-NARIC Slovenia – Slovenia



AdReN objectives



Objectives of the project

"The Council Recommendations on promoting automatic mutual recognition of higher education and upper secondary education and training qualifications and the outcomes of learning periods abroad states: "[...] a Higher education qualification acquired in one Member State is automatically recognised at the same level, for the purpose of accessing further studies, in the others [...]".

In line with the Council Recommendation, the **AdReN project** aims at **fostering the automatic recognition of academic qualifications and qualifications giving access to higher education in the Adriatic region**, starting from project country partners.



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Approval of the AdReN project by the European Commission

*«The project proposal is **highly relevant** since one of its main objectives is the implementation of the automatic **recognition** of qualifications and the other objective is the capacity building amongst different ENIC-NARICs centres. [...] The consortium is composed of ENIC-NARIC centres, Croatia, Greece, Italy, Slovenia, who already cooperated in previous projects. The IUAV University of Venice who will have the role of secretariat will join the consortium. The team is very experienced in the recognition field and in the sector of education. In addition, the team comprises experts on each country involved in the project.»*



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Work plan



Type of activity	Deliverables – outputs / results I achievements	Sub-activities (if appropriate)
WP1 – Management of the project	Minutes of the project meeting; presentations of the administrative rules; reports on the quality of the activities carried out; Report of Factual Findings on the Final Financial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Administration of the project; - explanation to project's partners of the rules related to it; - two consortium meetings; - evaluation questionnaires of each activity; - administrative templates for financial reporting; - quality assurance report of the project; - Report of Factual Findings on the Final Financial Report.
WP2 – Development of tools to enhance Automatic Recognition	Table of comparison of qualification levels of project's countries; Study on Substantial Differences and Transnational Education; Establishment of the AdReN secretariat at the IUAV University of Venice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drafting of the table to compare qualifications of project partner countries; - Desk research on national Higher Education systems; - Research on Substantial Differences and Transnational Education; - Symposium on the table of comparison with the two representatives of the national authorities from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia;
WP3 – Developing of the AdReN website	AdReN website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A website will be designed and published in order to share the results of the cooperation among the AdReN partners with the relevant stakeholders
WP4 – Cooperation on the existing databases and tools	Implementation of already existing databases (Q-ENTRY, FraudSCAN, SCANd)	
WP5 – Dissemination activities and project's sustainability	Dissemination Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recording of the activities carried out by partners to disseminate the AdReN project at national and international levels; - Participation in meetings to disseminate the project at national and international level; - Organisation of the Seminar in Slovenia in March 2022; - AdReN website maintained.



WP1 – Management of the project

- Minutes of the project meeting;
- Presentations of the administrative rules;
- Reports on the quality of the activities carried out;
- Report of Factual Findings on the Final Financial Report



WP2 – Development of tools to enhance Automatic Recognition

Deliverables

- Table of comparison of qualification levels of project's countries;
- Study on Substantial Differences and Transnational Education;
- Establishment of the AdReN secretariat at the IUAV University of Venice

Subactivities

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Deliverable

- AdReN website

Subactivity

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WHAT IS ADREN //

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Everyone is Welcome

AdReN is an open network on a voluntary basis and any organization in the Adriatic area dealing with recognition and academic mobility is welcomed to join the network.



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WP4 – Cooperation on the existing databases and tools

Deliverable

- Implementation of already existing databases (Q-ENTRY, FraudSCAN, SCANd)

This project aims at enhancing the automatic recognition among NARIC centres that are partners and, in general, that are in Adriatic area; the synergy was decided as the abovementioned databases have the same goal, on a wider scale.



WP5 – Dissemination activities and project's sustainability

Deliverable

- Dissemination Report

Sub-activities

- Recording of the activities carried out by partners to disseminate the AdReN project at national and international levels;
- Organisation of the Seminar in Slovenia in June 2022;
- AdReN website maintained.



Outcomes and expected impact



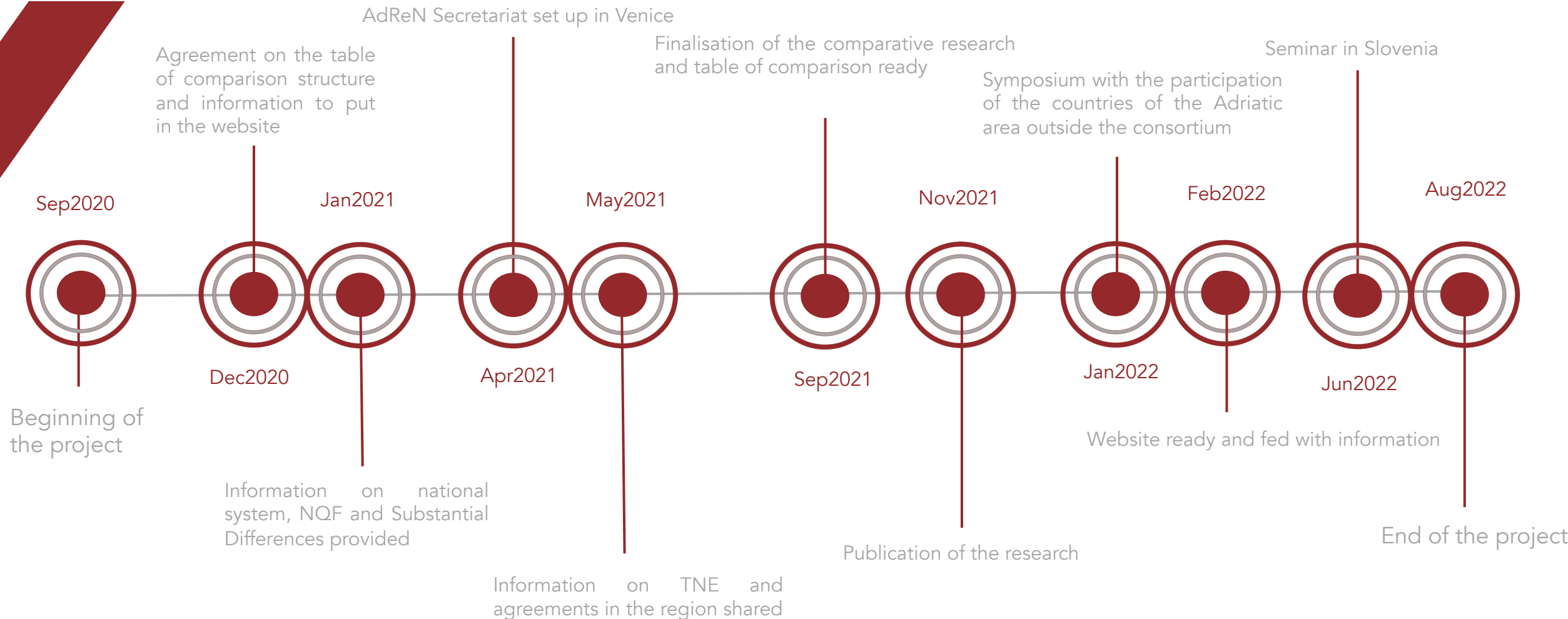
- Enhancing and maintaining the **AdReN network**
- Creation of the **table of comparison** of qualifications (both pre and Bologna)
- Study on **Substantial Differences and Transnational Education** in partner countries

"The expected impact of the AdReN project is the implementation of automatic recognition of qualifications in the Adriatic region. This will be possible thanks to one comprehensive table of comparison of the qualifications of the four countries being part of the consortium (i.e. Croatia, Greece, Italy, Slovenia) by the end of the project and that will be available on the project website together with the comparative study of the national education systems of the aforementioned countries. The website will be implemented and we will feed it with the results of the project, the information on the project, its partners and it will be used to share the results of the project with national stakeholders involved in the field of recognition and international colleagues."



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Project timeline



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Roadmap on the next steps



- 15.12.2020

Agreement on the table of comparison and structure of the website (i.e. information to be stored)

- 15.01.2021

Information on national systems, NQF and Substantial Differences in each national context provided

Desk research on Automatic Recognition in partner countries

Next consortium meeting (online): February 2021?

Topics:

- AdReN secretariat in Venice
- Developments on the table of comparison
- Status of the research on SD, TNE and automatic recognition in the Adriatic Area



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