



Figure 1: (left): Prof Dr Mie Mie Sein, Pro-Rector of Mawlamyine University; (centre): Prof Dr Thida Win, Rector of the University of Mandalay; (right): Prof Dr Ni Ni Oo, Pro-Rector and acting Rector of Myeik University at the 'Kick-off meeting' in Myeik University



First Quarterly Newsletter (WP7.3) (1 February – 30 April, 2018)
comprising 2nd Quarterly Report (WP6.3)
Finalized 30 April 2018: Vienna

Progress of the MuEuCAP Project (1 February – 30 April, 2018):

During the first three months of the MuEuCAP project, the 'Kick-off' meeting took place in Myeik University from 13 to 15 March, 2018 (WP1.2). This meeting was honoured by the attendance of Prof Dr Thein Win, the Director General of Higher Education, Myanmar, and by the representatives of all 7 participating universities, namely:

- 3 European universities:
 - (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (UGOE), Germany; University of Extremadura (UEX), Badajoz, Spain; and University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU), Vienna, Austria)
- 4 Myanmar universities:





- (University of Mandalay; University of Forestry and Environmental Science, Yezin; Mawlamyine University; and Myeik University).

At the 'Kick-off' meeting preparation, agreements and procedures as outlined in WP1.2 were discussed. In addition, the progress of each of the following topics was reviewed with a provisional deadline set for completion of the tasks by the end of the second round of workshops 3-13 July, 2018, namely:

- compiling information on existing curricula and human/technical resources of the 4 Myanmar university partners [MUPs] (WP1.1)
- compiling a needs assessment in Environmental Protection curriculum for the 4 Myanmar university partners [MUPs] (WP1.3)
- compiling a needs assessment for non-academic stakeholders in Environmental Protection competencies (WP1.4).

It was agreed that, if possible, a final report on needs assessment (WP1.5) would be published within 30 days of completion of the second round of workshops (ie by the 12 August, 2018).



Figure 2: The first meeting of the MuEuCAP Steering Committee took place during the 'Kick-off meeting' in Myeik University

Other outputs achieved in the first Quarter of the project (1 Feb-30 April, 2018) included the compilation of a draft 'Selection criteria for staff and students at the MUPs' (WP2.6.1). This will be finalised in the second Quarter and will be available to project staff via the restricted-access project staff website.

The Project Manual, including monitoring and evaluation templates was finalised (WP6.1) and is available at the open access www.myanmar-edu.org/downloads. The project has not yet completed the 'Design evaluation mechanisms and implement mechanisms' of WP6.2.





The project website (WP7.1.1) is up and running at www.myanmar-edu.org. It will be edited, added to and generally updated as the project progresses. The same also applies to the social media channels (WP7.1.2) of Facebook and Twitter: <https://www.facebook.com/Mueucap/> and <https://twitter.com/MuEuCAP1>.

The project has its own bespoke logo (WP7.1.3), which symbolises the relationship between the EU and Myanmar and is included in all project outputs – see www.myanmar-edu.org. A first flyer was published (WP7.1.4) for the 'Kick-off' meeting – see www.myanmar-edu.org and also www.myanmar-edu.org/downloads for the outside pages.

Video footage for promotional videos (WP7.2) was recorded at the 'Kick-off' meeting but has yet to be edited and published.

The 'Kick-off' meeting was extensively published in the Myanmar media (WP7.4) – examples are illustrated on www.myanmar-edu.org/publicity.

The first Coordination Meeting of the Steering Committee (WP8.1) also took place at the 'Kick-off meeting' in Myeik University with all members being present.

Indicators predicted and indicators reached

- **Indicators predicted:**
 - Compile information on existing curricula and human/technical resources of the 4 Myanmar university partners [MUPs] (WP1.1)
 - Compile a needs assessment in Environmental Protection curriculum for the 4 Myanmar university partners [MUPs] (WP1.3)
 - Compile a needs assessment for non-academic stakeholders in Environmental Protection competencies (WP1.4).
 - Final report on needs assessment (WP1.5)
 - Selection criteria for staff and students at the MUPs (WP2.6.1)
 - Project Manual, monitoring and evaluation templates finalised (WP6.1)
 - Design evaluation mechanisms and implement mechanisms (WP6.2)
 - Set up website (WP7.1.1)
 - Set up social media channels (WP7.1.2)
 - Design logo (WP7.1.3)
 - Design flyers (WP7.1.4)
 - Promotional videos (WP7.2)
 - Communication with public/media (WP7.4)
 - Coordination meetings (Steering Committee) (WP8.1).
- **Indicators reached:**
 - Compile information on existing curricula and human/technical resources of the 4 Myanmar university partners [MUPs] (WP1.1) – there is ongoing collection of these data, to be completed by 13 July, 2018





- Compile a needs assessment in Environmental Protection curriculum for the 4 Myanmar university partners [MUPs] (WP1.3) – to be completed by 13 July, 2018
- Compile a needs assessment for non-academic stakeholders in Environmental Protection competencies (WP1.4) – to be completed by 13 July, 2018
- Final report on needs assessment (WP1.5) – to be completed by 12 August, 2018
- Kick-off meeting (WP1.2) – illustrated on project website (www.myanmar-edu.org)
- Selection criteria for staff and students at the MUPs (WP2.6.1) – draft was circulated to all Steering Committee members
- Project Manual, monitoring and evaluation templates finalised (WP6.1) – available at www.myanmar-edu.org/downloads
- Design evaluation mechanisms and implement mechanisms (WP6.2) – yet to be completed
- Set up website (WP7.1.1) – up and running at www.myanmar-edu.org
- Set up social media channels (WP7.1.2) – up and running at <https://www.facebook.com/Mueucap/> and <https://twitter.com/MuEuCAP1>
- Design logo (WP7.1.3) – included on all project outputs – see www.myanmar-edu.org
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- Promotional videos (WP7.2) – footage recorded at Kick-off meeting but not published
- Communication with public/media (WP7.4) – examples illustrated on www.myanmar-edu.org/publicity
- Coordination meetings (Steering Committee) (WP8.1) – first meeting took place at ‘Kick-off meeting’ in Myeik.



Figure 3: The Director General of Higher Education (Myanmar), the Steering Committee and senior delegates who attended the Myeik ‘Kick-off meeting’ in March, 2018.

