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# Project **1 8**

# INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTES FOR RAISING AWARENESS ON DUAL-USE CONCERNS IN BIO-TECHNOLOGY

# **IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS:**

Landau Network-Centro Volta (LNCV, lead partner), Italy; Agrarian University of Georgia (AUG), Georgia; Royal Scientific Society (RSS), Jordan; Middle East Scientific Institute for Security (MESIS), Jordan; National Council for Scientific Research (CNRS), Lebanon; National Center of Public Health (NCPH), Moldova; University Mohamed V-Agdal (UM5A), Morocco; Faculty of Sciences of Tétouan, Abdelmalek Essaadi University (UAE), Morocco; Quaid-i.Azam University (QAU), Pakistan; College of Medicine, University of the Philippines Manila (UPCM), the Philippines; Palladin Institute of Biochemistry (PIB), Ukraine; Taiz University (TU), Yemen; Universitàt Hamburg (RGBAC), Germany; University of Milan (UNIMI), Italy; University of Turn (UNITO), Italy; Delft University of Technology (DUT), the Netherlands; University of Coimbra (UC), Portugal; University of Upsala (UU), Sweden

# **IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD:**

1 January 2013 – 1 January 2015

### **GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE:**

The project is international in scope

# **PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES:**

Albania, Cambodia, Croatia, Democratic Republic of Congo, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (fYRoM), Gabon, Georgia, Iraq, Jordan, Lao PDR, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mauritania, Moldova, Morocco, Pakistan, the Philippines, Senegal, Serbia, Singapore, Thailand, Tunisia, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vietnam, Yemen, Zambia

### **BUDGET:**

399,719.00 euro

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## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The project aims at reinforcing a culture of bio-safety and bio-security by raising awareness on dual-use concerns in biotechnology among universities and research institutes. It has laid grounds for promoting the development of a network of universities and research institutes at the national and regional level in the different regions of the world, including Africa, Asia and Europe.

While the project envisages the preparation of educational and informational material for dissemination throughout this network, it also seeks to foster cooperation, exchange and sharing of educational and informational resources among the members of the network and the development of multidisciplinary scientific cooperation opportunities.

It is expected that 300 students and young researchers from participating universities and institutes in the countries involved in the project, being the key target group, will acquire knowledge of dual-use concerns in biotechnology by the end of the project in December 2014.

In 2013, a web-page and learning web platform has been launched to facilitate the dissemination of the educational material and the development of the network. Both can be accessed at the following addresses:

www.landaunetwork.org

www.landaunetwork.org/index.php/eu-cbrn-coe-project-18/

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