Veterinary Education Twinning Project
Background of the Project

- The ETP will support the establishment of a formal link between two Veterinary Education Establishments.
  - The Royal Veterinary College (parent establishment) is the only school world-wide fully accredited by both AVMA and EAEVE.
  - The Jordan University for Science and Technology (Candidate Establishment) is a leading University in the Middle East.
Aim of the program

- The overall aim is to establish a knowledge exchange platform to share best educational practice between RVC and JUST.

- To complete a series of activities that will facilitate the accreditation of JUST by EAEVE.

- The long term is engagement of RVC and JUST in the provision of state-of-the-art veterinary public health training in the Middle East and the Arab region.
How to achieve this overall aim

- we will pursue the following specific objectives, which relate to 3 focus areas:
  - Undergraduate education.
  - Postgraduate education.
  - Continuing education.
Specific Objectives

1- To support the revision of the undergraduate veterinary curriculum in JUST

⇒ to promote integration across the curriculum

⇒ fulfil EAEVE requirements

⇒ conform to OIE recommendations on the Competences of Graduating Veterinarians and its guidelines on Veterinary Education Core Curriculum.
Specific Objectives

2- To share experiences in innovative academic practice between RVC and JUST academics, with especial focus on the development of problem-based learning.

3- To strengthen the current postgraduate education and to align it with the needs of the Jordanian Veterinary Services as identified by the PVS evaluation.
Specific Objectives

4- To initiate collaborative research in strategic topics by means of joint supervision between RVC and JUST.

5- To assist JUST in the design of a postgraduate training program in Vet. Epidemiology/Public Health/ Microbiology at PhD level that could be implemented after the conclusion of the project.
Specific Objectives

6- To facilitate the establishment of a continuous education program in different areas including epidemiology and veterinary public health.

7- To establish the basis for a long-term collaboration in VPH teaching and research through a Memorandum of Understanding.
Work Plan

1- **Undergraduate Education:**

- Identification of curriculum interventions and recommendations

  ⇒ Based on EAEVE and OIE Recommendations on the Competencies of Graduating Veterinarians and the OIE Guidelines on Veterinary Education Core Curriculum.

- Design and implementation of curriculum interventions

  ⇒ the agreed interventions will be implemented during the second year of the project.
Work Plan

1- **Undergraduate Education:**

- Students visit

⇒ The undergraduate education component of the twinning program will also include a number of 2-week study visits by undergraduate students from years 4-5.
Work Plan

2- **Postgraduate Education:**
Selection of research projects

⇒ Projects will be selected to maximizes synergies between RVC and JUST research activities, allowing students to work together and collaborate in parts of their projects.

⇒ Scholarships will cover university tuition and fees, research expenses and stipend.
3- Professional Education:

- The main objective is to design and deliver a program for training of Jordanian veterinarians in Veterinary Epidemiology, Public Health and Bioethics. Other discipline is also possible.

- The program will involve a series of four 2-week intensive modules.
Work Progress

- Create opportunities for all the twinning projects to meet and share information and experience and to network together.

- Biosecurity and threat reduction was kept as central themes of the twinning project

Short Communication

Building Capacity for Biological Threat Reduction in the Middle East

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Work Progress

- **Inception workshop**: create opportunities for all the twinning projects to meet and share information and experience and to network together.

- Increase alignment with OIE day 1 competencies.

**Teaching interventions:**

- Integration of farm medicine, welfare and ethics.
- Slaughter methods.
- Zoonotic diseases and Public Health.
- Pig medicine resources soon to be available to RVC and then shared with JUST.
- Access to RVC video materials
Work Progress

- Skills laboratory.
- List of research projects.
- Web page: https://rvcjustoietwinning.wordpress.com
- Regular follow up meetings.