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curricula, capacity, ICT and stakeholder collaboration to support green & blue infrastructure and nature-based solutions
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URGENT PROJECT Inception Meeting - India

(20 July 2021, Tuesday)

The URGENT project funded by Erasmus+ aims at International Capacity Building in Higher Education, to promote green & blue infrastructure and nature-based solutions (GBI&NBS) for resilient, climate-friendly and liveable cities in partner countries (India & Mongolia). The project duration is three years starting January 2021. It is a multi-country, multi-institution project. In all, there are 16 partner institutions with University of Bremen, Germany as the project coordinator. The other partner institutions are – University of Catania, Italy; Estonian University of Life Sciences; Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg; National University of Mongolia; Khovd State University, Mongolia; Mongolian University of Life Sciences; Khovd Jargalant Soum; Urban Planning and Design Institute of Ulaanbaatar; National Garden Park, Mangolia.

From India, there are six partner institutions – Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi; National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), New Delhi; NIRMA University, Ahmedabad; GIFT City, Gandhinagar; Pondicherry University, Puducherry and Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Kashmir (SKUAST–Kashmir). The Inception Seminar of the project is scheduled on 20 July, 2021 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. In the Inception Seminar, the Indian partner institutions would present and discuss their action points, curriculum development/updation etc.

In the Inception Seminar, we would like to have two input presentations from urban professionals. The presentations will be having enriched experience of working in the field of urban planning in India and the emerging focus on green & blue infrastructure and nature-based solutions. In addition to this, we would like to have inputs on the presentations made by the partner institutions.

Programme Schedule

Co-ordination – Prof Neeru Bansal

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| 2.00 pm - 2.15 pm | Opening remarks – Mr Hitesh Vaidya , Director · National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), New Delhi |
| 2.15 pm - 2.30 pm | Presentation – JNU |
| 2.30 pm - 2.45 pm | Presentation – NIRMA University |
| 2.45 pm – 3.00 pm | Presentation – Pondicherry University |
| 3.00 pm – 3.15 pm | Presentation – SKUAST – Kashmir |
| 3.15 pm – 3.30 pm | Presentation – NIUA |
| 3.30 pm - 3.45 pm | Presentation – GIFT city |
| 3.45 pm – 4.15 pm | Q&A Session – Discussion with Participants & Invited Experts |
| 4.15 pm – 4.45 pm | Invited Expert Presentation – Mr R Srinivas , Town and Country Planning Organisation, New Delhi |
| 4.45 pm – 5.15 pm | Invited Expert Presentation – Prof. Utpal Sharma , Director, Institute of Architecture and Planning, NIRMA University |
| 5.15 pm – 5.45 pm | Discussion & feedback on action points and course outlines by Invited Experts & Participants |
| 5.45 pm – 6.00 pm | Closing Remarks – Prof. P K Joshi , JNU |

