

## Risk Management

In order to produce high quality project results, risk management planning is required for the DeCAIR project, as an ongoing effort that will continue throughout the life cycle of the project.

Table 1. DeCAIR 1<sup>st</sup> year Risk Management Monitoring Table

Risk	Relevant Project Activity	Occurrence probability (Low/High)	Impact (Low/High)	Evaluation	Mitigation action (Response)	Follow-up (Progress)
Due to the difficult situation in Lebanon, financial management may not proceed as smooth as it should be.	WP13	Low	High	Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give attention to buying equipment as early as possible.</li> <li>• Handle the financial expenses centrally from the coordinator partner (UJ).</li> </ul>	a) The Lebanese partners reported to the coordinator the first RP staff effort b) The partnership agreement took this issue into consideration. c) Buying equipment in LU progress to signing contract with the supplier. d) Buying equipment in BAU progress to getting sufficient offers. e) The UJ is handling expenses for mobility and staff cost.
The process of purchasing equipment and accreditation may take long time, and hence may encounter delays due to the bureaucratic procedures at partner HEIs.	WP8	Low	High	Priority	Expedite equipment procurement processes. Partners need to accelerate the process of purchasing equipment.	a) The equipment purchase is launched b) Accreditation of the BSc program in TTU is done. c) Accreditation of the MSc program in UJ is at the last stage and is expected before Fall 2022.

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Low participation by some partners in number of project activities.	WP13	Low	High	Priority	Follow up with all partners through periodic SC meetings or direct communication.	Currently, excellent level of participation is witnessed after some low participation from two partners.
Low stakeholders involvement	WP12	High	High	Priority	It is recommended that dissemination and visibility of the project be intensified when more outputs are produced in order to market the new programmes for the benefit of the graduates of the partner institutions. Dissemination of the project and its results should be during the lifetime of the project.	<p>a) Several workshops with the different stakeholders are planned for the second year of DeCAIR's lifecycle.</p> <p>b) Works packages WP11 and WP12 are launched and good stakeholders' involvement is being observed.</p>
Students involvement (increase the number of trainees, especially in virtual courses)		High	High	Priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Since more than one study programme will be launched in 2022, a clear and well-defined marketing strategy should be prepared.</li> <li>• Involvement of the students has been planned in the evaluation of the Syllabus.</li> </ul>	These marketing plans are part of Work packages WP3 and WP4. The BSc in Intelligent Systems Engineering already accepted students more than planned and the MSc in AIR will start in Fall 2022.