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Traditional craft Heritage training, design and marketing in  
Jordan and Syria (HANDS)

### **Welcome to HANDS project**

Welcome to the seventh issue of our Project Newsletter,  
providing you with the latest updates on HANDS Project  
progress between the period of  
15.11.2022-15.05.2023 !



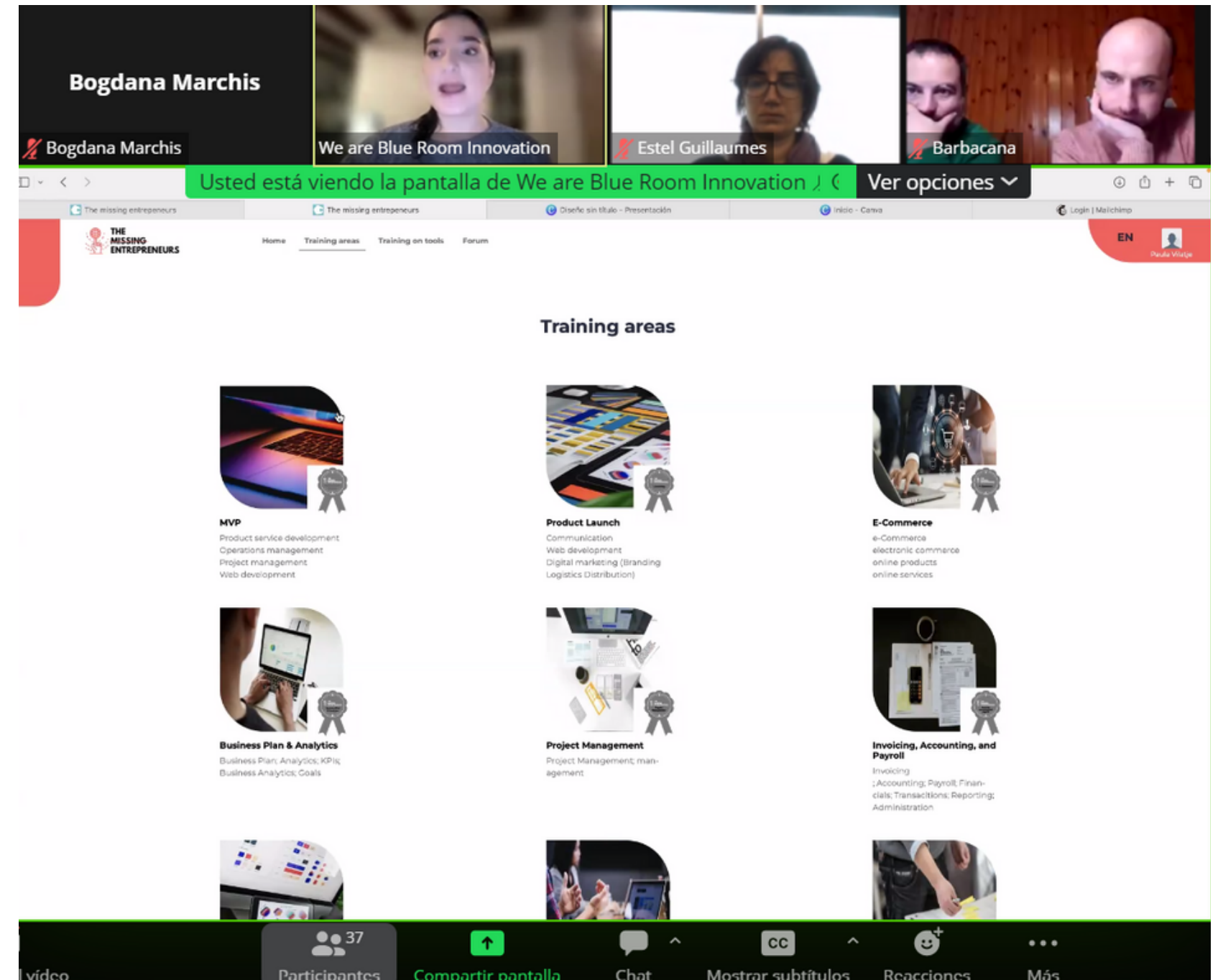


The newsletter contains information of what we have accomplished on the project, what we are working on now, and what we are planning to do next and how the project is progressing in general. We also want to provide insight into the different aspects of the cooperation between the different partner universities.

# Online Webinar: "Entrepreneurship for Traditional Handcraft" Blue Room Innovation

**December 7, 2022**

58 students attended an online webinar featuring Estel Guillaumes introducing the project, Xevi Rodeja and Àlex Vilar sharing entrepreneurship tips, and Paula Vilatje presenting digital tools.



# HANDS Project Dissemination Activity

17/1/2023

HANDS project dissemination material was showcased at the Engineering Day for Sustainable Development at ZUJ in Jordan, endorsed by the president and dean. This inclusion enhanced project visibility, offering valuable insights into its objectives and amplifying its reach.



# 12th Face to face STC meeting

## WP10: Management and Operational Structures

**Lead University: Al-Zaytoonah University of Jordan (ZUJ)**

**Co-Lead University: All**

**Date: 22-23/2/2023**

The Al-Zaytoonah University of Jordan (ZUJ) organized the Twelfths and the second face to face Management Meeting (STC) for “HANDS” project at University of Studies Guglielmo Marconi (USGM) in Italy.

During the meeting, project status, activities, courses, and work plan progress was presented by the project partners.

The meeting was attended by representatives from the all partner universities in Jordan, Syria, Spain, Italy, and Germany.



# HANDS Ceramic Workshop at UJ

**16th of March 2023**

As part of the "Hands" project at the University of Jordan, a 4-hour pottery workshop was held on March 16, 2023, attended by 29 students, primarily female. The workshop focused on enhancing pottery skills through hands-on learning and disseminating project objectives. Expert guidance and clay materials were provided.



# Jordanian Partners Staff and Students visit to HANDS centre at ZUJ

**21th of March 2023**

Jordanian Partner Universities' staff and students visited HANDS centre, featuring a welcome from Dr. Loai Dabbour, project coordinator, a center tour, and student work exhibition. Objectives included facilitating student training, knowledge sharing, and industry collaboration. The event promoted knowledge exchange and project success, emphasizing the significance of HANDS centre.





# Home furniture design (wall decoration) Introducing traditional handicrafts in a modern style in the wall paintings

**08/04/2023**

Day 1: Introduction to workshop theme, traditional handicrafts overview, and division into groups. Day 2: Design development and material selection. Practical sessions on knitting and thread pulling. Introduction to laser cutting software. Day 3-6: Continuation of processes for each group. Day 7: Assembly, video presentation, exhibition, certificate distribution.



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# Handicraft Design: Technical design and production procedures

**10/4/2023**

Eng. Saad Istatieh, a HANDS stakeholder, delivered an insightful lecture on Handicraft Design, emphasizing technical aspects and production. With his professional expertise, students gained valuable insights into design procedures and explored creative potential through case studies. This session offered a deeper understanding of technical design in handicrafts.



# HANDS Job Fair at ZUJ

**9/5/2023**

HANDS project actively participated in a Job Fair at Al-Zaytoonah University of Jordan, garnering over 70 visitors. The event aimed to enhance students' awareness and connect them with the job market. HANDS' involvement facilitated project dissemination, showcasing achievements and generating interest in its goals through banners, brochures, and materials.





# HANDS – Quality Visit by TH-OWL Team to the Syrian Universities

**3-4/10/2023**

Due to political constraints, WUSMED visited Jordanian universities, while TH-OWL visited Syrian ones for quality control in the HANDS project. Results were satisfactory and presented at a Steering Committee Meeting.

## **ACTIVITIES DESCRIPTION SUMMARY :**

Quality control visits to partner universities aimed to gather firsthand information about the project's impact, emphasizing face-to-face interactions with professors, craftsmen, and students to understand their perspectives on HANDS.




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