

During the final evaluation of the foRMAtion project the quality of the dissemination activities carried out by project partners will be assessed. Based on the recommendations of the Hungarian National Agency, we propose the following content to be published on partners' websites. Please feel free to shorten or rephrase the text or to formulate it in your national language. Additionally, you may highlight the role of your organisation in the project, as you wish. The use of the EU logo is required, the use of the project logo is optional.

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Summary

foRMAtion aims to support students in higher education as potential research managers and administrators (RMAs) by reinforcing their high-level and transversal skills needed for developing and managing excellent European research, innovation and educational projects. foRMAtion addresses the growing need for professional research support staff due to the increasing competition for EU funds in the field of R&I projects, the gap between education and labour market needs and the serious shortage in RMA educational programmes, standardisation and certification.

Activities & Outputs

During the duration of the project (01/09/2019-31/12/2022), the implementation of foRMAtion consists of a number of interlinked activities. Based on a **methodological guide and good practice collection** identifying and assessing existing good practices, know-how, methods and tools in the field of training RMAs, an innovative **international module** was developed for university students. The elaboration of the module includes a curriculum for the students and a teaching material including interactive and project-based learning methods for teachers. The foRMAtion module was tested at partner universities in Portugal, Hungary and Romania.

The courses have been supplemented by a **mentorship programme through the blended learning mobility of students** through which trained staff at partners mentor students to get work experience and hands-on knowledge.

Apart from these activities, to open up the project for an even broader audience, foRMAtion has developed an **online textbook as an interactive, user-friendly and targeted training opportunity** available for anyone within and beyond the project, including those who already entered into the profession. This was tested in the spring of 2022 in Rome through a Seasonal School.

Lastly, foRMAtion prepares a **guide and impact assessment for educating and training RMAs at HEIs**, highlighting the transferable practices and formulating policy recommendations to channel the results and outcomes to national and EU decision-makers and other relevant stakeholders. This aim is also supported by the organisation of public stakeholder events in Portugal, Romania, Italy, Slovenia and Belgium in 2022. All mentioned **outputs** are available as Open Education Resources (OER).

ABOUT THE PROJECT: <https://www.formation-rma.eu/>
MAIN OUTPUTS: <https://www.formation-rma.eu/results/>
ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORM: <https://www.formation-rma.eu/online-learning-resources/>

Project partnership:

foRMAtion gathers 3 HEIs and 5 business actors with different scientific background.

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Sapientia Hungarian University of Transylvania (RO) / <http://www.sapientia.ro/en>

SPI - Sociedade Portuguesa de Inovação (PT) / <https://spi.pt/en.index>

APRE - Agency for the Promotion of European Research (IT) / <https://www.apre.it/en>

ISINNOVA - Institute of Studies for the Integration of Systems (IT) / <https://www.isinnova.org/>

SFI – Slovenian Forestry Institute (SI) / <https://www.gozdis.si/>
