Implementation Phase Interim Assessment - EC Consensus Report

Case number: 2019ES406625

Name Organisation under assessment: University of Valencia

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Quality assessment

The quality assessment evaluates the level of ambition and the <u>quality of progress</u> intended by the organisation.

If any statements have prompted a "no" or "partly" in the evaluation, please provide recommendations:

	YES / NO / PARTLY	Recommendations
Has the organisational information been sufficiently updated to understand the context in which the HR Strategy is implemented?	Yes	
Does the narrative provided list goals and objectives which clearly indicate the organisation's priorities in HR-management for researchers?	Yes	
Has the organisation published an updated HR Strategy and Action Plan been updated with the actions' current status, additions and/or modifications?	Yes	
Is the implementation of the HR strategy and Action Plan sufficiently embedded within the organisation's management structure (e.g. steering committee, operational responsibilities) so as to guarantee a solid implementation?	Yes	A survey of the researchers of the different aspects of the action plan could be useful and strengthen the organization's effort
Has the organisation developed an OTM-R policy?	Yes	

Strengths and weaknesses

On the basis of the information submitted and taking into account the organisation's national research context, how would you as an assessor judge the HR Strategy's **strengths and weaknesses?** (maximum 1000 words)

There is a clear attempt to align the implementation of HRS4R with the strategic plan of the University.

The institution is focussing appropriately on OTM-R strategy

If relevant, please provide suggestions for modifications or revisions to the (updated) HR strategy: (maximum 2000 words)

The involvement of the researchers in the HRS4R should be more substantial. A survey could be an appropriate tool to use to understand if the priciple and the acvtion plan are well known and the different initiatives taken are properly considered by the researchers

During the transition period special conditions apply:

Institutions having started the HRS4R implementation prior to the publication of the OTM-R toolkit and recommendations by the European Commission (2015) may not have prioritised actions implementing the OTM-R principles yet. In this case, they should not be penalised but strong recommendations should be made to address these principles appropriately.

At this point of the INTERIM assessment, the institution does not jeopardise maintaining the HR award. Nevertheless, the institution is advised to take into account the comments and recommendations of the assessors to meet all assessment criteria at the next assessment (in 36 months).

Recommendations

Which of the below situations describes the organisation's progress most accurately? Tick the right situation and add comments/general recommendations accordingly.

HRS4R embedded		
HRS4R embedded, corrective actions needed	0	
HRS4R embedded, strong corrective actions needed		
Additional comments *		
Think about using a survey to understand if the researcvhers are aware of what the insitution is doing on the HRS4R		

Explanation

- HRS4R embedded: The organisation is progressing with appropriate and quality actions as described in its Action Plan. There is evidence that the HRS4R is further embedded.
- HRS4R embedded, corrective actions needed: The organisation is, for the most part, progressing with appropriate and quality actions as described in its Action Plan, but could benefit from alterations as advised through the Assessment process. There is some evidence that the HRS4R is further embedded.
- HRS4R embedded, strong corrective actions needed: The organisation is not deemed to be implementing appropriate and quality actions and this raises some concern for the future efforts to implement actions closely aligned to the Charter and Code. There is a lack of evidence that the HRS4R is further embedded.