



DigHealth project start!

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Bule Hora University, as one of partners of DigHealth project, is excited to announce the launch of the DigHealth project. On **December 1, 2024**, the **Micro-credentials in Digital Health for Ethiopia and Somalia (DigHealth)**—reference number 101179425—project officially began its three-year journey, set to transform healthcare education in Ethiopia and Somalia. Co-funded by the **European Union under the Erasmus+ Programme** (Action: Capacity Building in Higher Education), the project will run until **November 30, 2027**.

The **DigHealth** project is an innovative Erasmus+ initiative that aims to strengthen healthcare access and quality through **micro-credential programs in digital health**, such as telemedicine, e-health, and advanced digital technologies. These programs will enable healthcare professionals to acquire essential skills needed to address healthcare challenges in underserved and remote areas of Ethiopia and Somalia.

The project brings together a consortium of **10 partner organizations** from **5 countries**:

Partner organization	Country
P1 RIT Croatia	Croatia (HR)
P2 University of Piraeus	Greece (EL)
P3 Catholic University of Croatia	Croatia (HR)
P4 IHF asbl	Belgium (BE)
P5 Addis Ababa University	Ethiopia (ET)
P6 Bule Hora University	Ethiopia (ET)
P7 Jigjiga University	Ethiopia (ET)
P8 University of Hargeisa	Somalia (SO)
P9 Horseed International University	Somalia (SO)
P10 Somali Education and Youth Development Action	Somalia (SO)

Kick-off Meeting Marks a Collaborative Start

On **December 12, 2024**, a **virtual kick-off meeting** was held, where representatives from all partner institutions convened online. Discussions focused on the project's **general goals, roles and**



responsibilities, and immediate next steps. A detailed roadmap for upcoming activities was laid out, ensuring smooth and efficient project implementation.

Physical Kick-off and Training Event

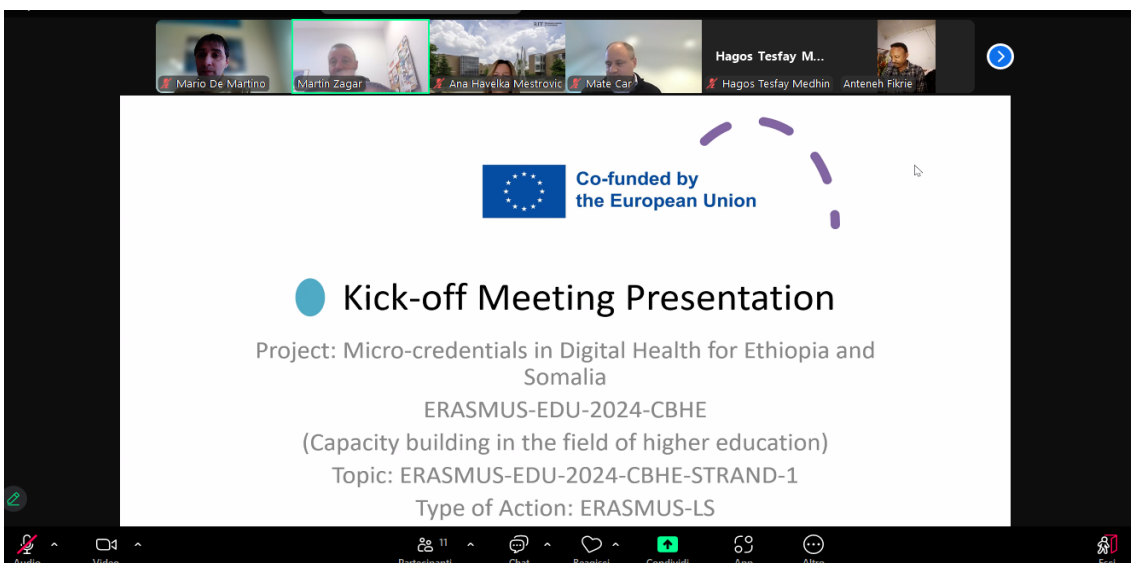
The in-person Kick-off Meeting and Training, titled "Best Practices in Developing Digital Health Education," was hosted by the University of Piraeus (Greece) from January 20-22, 2025, and on January 24, 2025. Bule Hora University (BHU) was represented by two delegates. The event facilitated training sessions, workshops, and knowledge exchange, laying a solid foundation for the development of the region's first comprehensive digital health education curriculum

Transformative Impact for Healthcare and Education

Through tailored curriculum development, expert-led workshops, and capacity-building activities, the **DigHealth** project seeks to:

- Equip **local educators** in Ethiopian and Somali universities with the skills needed to deliver cutting-edge **digital health programs**.
- Address the growing demand for qualified professionals capable of improving **telemedicine** and **e-health** services in remote areas.
- Enhance **employment opportunities** for graduates, contributing to sustainable healthcare systems and broader socio-economic development in Ethiopia and Somalia.

By aligning education with European quality standards while addressing local needs, DigHealth represents a significant step towards modernizing healthcare education systems in both countries.





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Potentials of BHU

- Committed higher Managements
- Gada System and its governance
- Indigenous knowledge on natural resource conservation
- Potential mineral resources
- Dairy farms & animal production
- Coffee bean



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