2013 Assessment of the progress of CEI projects
Project Evaluation Form

Evaluator: Final Report
Project Reference: Campus UPF – Icária Internacional CEI 2010

General Comment:
A comprehensive strategy for excellence and internationalisation. Clear document
The project’s report 2013 presents a view of the progresses and shows real work done
also at the level of Alliance of 4 universities (A-4U). Uncertain role played by UOC and
the strong leadership of the coordinating University (UPF)
This campus seems to be at the forefront of quality and innovation in education and
research. UPF has a strong international position already and seems well under way to
even strengthening this position further.

Strengths:
Comprehensive strategy from improvement of teaching up to knowledge transfer,
from Student learning process up to job, from campus to social environment.
Role plays by A-4U in different sectors (Joint Bachelor- International activities)
Having one “postgraduate AND doctoral studies” Office. UPF research park.
Good use of European tools and supports for programmes in Higher Education and
Research (Erasmus Mundus, FP7, ERC). Plan for Multilingualism (PAM)
Bimodal teaching cooperation
Impressive progress has been made, over and in all different themes
Integrity of the project is convincing
Open and honest information on progress and also on delays.

Weaknesses:
Partnership between UPF and UOC might become problematic, because of different
capacities and capabilities. Could not the cooperation with UOC be increased?
Internationalisation outside Europe is not very convincing
Implication of UPF in the 22@district is not clear neither the concept of “an urban
campus – spread throughout the city of Barcelona“
Attention has to be asked for mobility of staff and students.

Potential Impact:
High impact for the region of Catalunya and at European level. It should continue also
after the end of the project, due to commitment of staff.

Recommendations:
Need to clarify the aggregation: There is an obvious leadership of UPF and looking at
the governance UOC does not seem to appear.
Put as much emphasis and attention as possible on quality assurance of teaching and
research. Quality will eventually lead to winners. UPF might be one of those, but
international visibility and acceptance as a partner should be established.

Score: A Good Progress
Decision’s Proposal:
Continue. Check the added value of UOC to the CEI.
Monitor progress. No further action needed until
submission of the final report in 2015