



3rd PROJECT MEETING.-

The third project meeting took place in Linz (Austria) 7th and 8th October 2015. All partners countries had been represented by 12 participants. At the meeting partners dealt with the last steps of competence profile and Train the trainer course. Transfer methods were presented and explained by key partners, regarding the right use of material for Train the Trainer Course. Project partners dealt with project tasks in friendly atmosphere and mutual fruitful cooperation.



Next project meeting will be in Croatia from 15th to 19th of February 2016.

NEXT STEPS.-

Once transfer methods have been presented and explained by key partner a common framework will be created including all methods. Each partner will pilot the Train the Trainer course in their own region. The aim is to pilot the course with ca. ten participants per partner in order to test the training material and get feedback for further adaptations.

Project partners:

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inab - Ausbildungs- und Beschäftigungsgesellschaft des bfw mbH, Germany
Berufsfoerderungsinstitut Oberoesterreich BFI, Austria
Atama agencija za zaposlovanje, d.o.o., Slovenia
WIFI d.o.o., Croatia
Istituto Formazione Operatori Aziendali, Italy
Asociación Impulso Internacional para el Desarrollo Territorial, Spain
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WHAT IS YOUTHCOACH?

The Youthcoach project is a transnational European VET partnership which aims to transfer, adapt and implement innovative projects and products which:

- a) strengthen the partnerships between education and employment in initial VET,
- b) help reduce the high number of drop outs in VET,
- c) develop basic and transversal skills especially entrepreneurial skills with young VET learners and
- d) validate skills and competences of these young learners in accordance with Europe 2020, ET 2020 and Erasmus + goals.

The project addresses VET dropout prevention from a multidimensional point of view, involving companies, VET organizations and VET teachers and trainers by focusing on capacity building in both VET teachers and trainers and young VET learners.

Common "toolbox" will be developed based on the products which have been developed, implemented and evaluated by partners in Germany, Slovenia, Czech Republic and Austria and will be transferred to each other and to partners in Croatia, Spain, Greek and Italy.

The product "**Vocational Training Assistance**" is a German approach, implemented in some of the federal states of Germany, and has been further developed in a project by bfw/inab, Germany. The project integrates youth and young adults with disadvantages (lacking basic skills, no school records, migration background) into the vocational training system by providing consulting, training assistance and learning aid for disadvantaged young people and by providing a holistic external vocational training management for small and medium sized companies.

The product "**Toolbox**" has been developed by a European partnership represented by the Czech partner Aklub, Toolbox is a database which contains a set of methods and techniques for career advice and consultancy for unemployed people.

The product "**Jugendcoaching**" has been developed and implemented in Austria on a nationwide scale by Bundessozialamt OÖ, BFI OÖ has developed a concept for implementing it with young potential drop outs in VET schools. Youth case managers coach and support young people with high drop out risks to either stay in the chosen VET school, move on to another school smoothing the transition or start an apprenticeship in companies. They try to find the best situation together with the student, his / her parents, the school and companies.

The product "**EBC*L Enterprise – Showing My potential**" has been developed by EBC*L International, represented by ATAMA. The EBC*L Enterprise builds and strengthens young peoples' key competences in economic thinking and social competences and is certified by the EBC*L Enterprise exam where students demonstrate logical thinking, basic mathematical skills, communicative and social competence, business know-how, determination, ambition and the ability to work under pressure. It has been developed together with companies to build up skills needed in the workplace.

Project duration is from September 2014 to August 2016

PROJECT GOALS

The project aims at realizing the following goals:

1. To transfer the concepts of Vocational Training Assistance (DE), Toolbox (CZ), Jugendcoaching (AT) and EBC*L Enterprise (SI) to other European countries.

2. To further develop a Youthcoach competence profile and a Youthcoach train the trainer course based on a study in all partner countries.

3. To develop a toolbox for youthcoaches including modules on:

- working with companies in bridging gaps between VET and the world of work
- intercultural competences
- personal development
- promotion of competences related to entrepreneurship (EBCL)

More information @ project website: www.youthcoach.cz