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CARDS



An EU-funded project managed by the European Agency for Reconstruction



Education and Culture

Leonardo da Vinci

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Education and Culture

Socrates

Supported by the European Commission



Publics: apprentices

Challenge Leonardo GB 07

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: A/06/A/F/PL-158.812
Project period: June 2006–Aug. 2007
Contractor: bfi Oberösterreich

In this project apprentices (prospective bank clerks) of the vocational school at Rohrbach are given the opportunity to travel to England and add to their specific qualifications, to increase their personal and professional mobility and improve their intercultural and foreign language competencies during their stay there.

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Publics: students, teachers

***ERASMUS Lehrenden- und Studierendenmobilität
Mobilitäts- und Austauschaktivitäten und europäische
Standardisierung von Ausbildungen***

Programme: Socrates Erasmus
Project number: A RIED 02
Project period: July 2006–Sept. 2007
Contractor: Hogeschool Utrecht
Netherlands
<http://www.hu.nl>

The aims of this project are for students and teachers at the College of Occupational Therapy Ried to participate in exchange and mobility activities, and for the curricula to be brought into conformity with the ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) for the purpose of international harmonisation and comparability of education and training.

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Publics: people with disabilities

AHVITED

Audio Haptics for Blind and Visually Impaired Training and Education at a Distance

Programme: Socrates Minerva
Project number: 2274444-CP-1-2006-UK-
Minerva CPP
Project period: Oct. 2006–Sept. 2009
Contractor: The Royal National College
for the Blind
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The Socrates project *AHVITED*, led by the Royal National College for the Blind, with partners in Ireland, Austria, Denmark, Italy and Romania, is developing an innovative method of communicating visual graphics (maps, diagrams, graphs, charts, pictures, etc.) in a way that they can be assimilated by visually impaired people learning at a distance.

The key issue of the project is to transfer the contents of graphic-intensive e-learning courses via sound and touch, i. e. by means of Talking Tactile Technology.

Most common e-learning programmes for the blind or visually impaired use screen-reader technology, with all its limitations. *AHVITED* Talking Tactiles will complement existing e-learning processes, support Web-based e-learning materials and provide total autonomy of use in a distance-learning environment.

Project Web site: <http://www.ahvited.org>

Other transnational partners:

Instituttet for Blinde og Svagsynede
Denmark
<http://www.ibos.dk>

Dublin City University
Ireland
<http://www.dcu.ie>

Multimedia Campus Università degli Studi di Pavia
Italy
<http://www.multimediacampus.it>

Societatea Romana pentru Educatie Permanenta
Romania
<http://www.srep.ro>



*Publics: people with disabilities, enterprises,
organisations providing education and assistance
for people with disabilities*

check and go

Barrierefreie Basis für Menschen in Unternehmen

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: A/06/B/F/PP-158.331
Project period: Oct. 2006–Sept. 2008
Contractor: atempo Betriebsgesellschaft
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The project aims to remove barriers in the workplace. Three tools are being developed: The check-and-go tool assists applicants in drawing up their individual qualification and accessibility profile. This helps to determine exactly which barriers actually exist for the individual applicant.

The qualification tool offers people with disabilities training opportunities to improve their job-relevant qualifications and soft skills such as adequately communicating their own needs and requirements and the appropriate behaviour in interview situations as well as crises in the workplace.

The counselling tool is designed to prepare companies for applicants with disabilities. It allows the company's own quality standards regarding accessibility to be reviewed and any barriers to be removed by the company itself.

Demo versions of the above tools will be available on the Internet and on CD-ROM by mid-2007. The final versions will be ready for use as of spring 2008.

Project Web site:
<http://www.atempo.at/checkandgo/de>

Transnational partners:

Hamburger Arbeitsassistentz
Germany
<http://www.hamburger-arbeitsassistentz.de>

e-ISOTIS – Information
Society Open to Impairments
Greece
<http://www.e-isotis.org>

Tandem Società Cooperativa
Sociale Integrata
Italy
<http://www.sociale.it>

Slovensko-rakúska obchodná
komora
Slovakia
<http://www.sohk.sk>

Volkswagen Slovakia
Slovakia
<http://www.vw.sk>

Andragoški zavod Maribor –
Ljudska univerza
Slovenia
<http://www.azm-lu.si>



Swedish TelePedagogic
Knowledge Centre
Sweden
<http://www.pedagogic.com>

Other national partners:
Anton Paar GmbH
<http://www.anton-paar.com>

Bundessozialamt Landesstelle
Steiermark
<http://www.basb.bmsg.gv.at/cms/basb/liste.html?channel=CH0195>

Industriellenvereinigung
<http://www.iv-net.at>

Starmühler Agentur & Verlag
GmbH
<http://www.starmuehler.at>



Publics: workers

ECFVET in Food

European Common Framework for Vocational Education and Training in Food

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: I/O6/B/F/PP-154.110
Project period: Oct. 2006–Sept. 2008
Contractor: Università dei Sapori
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In this transnational project a common European framework of reference for vocational education and training in the food and beverage sector is being developed.

The framework of reference comprises a coherent and co-ordinated system of standards for describing and comparing formal, non-formal and informal qualifications and skills. Among other things, a calculation method for awarding credit points will be proposed.

Project Web site: <http://www.ecfvet.net>

Other transnational partners:

Professional High School of
Tourism Haskovo
Bulgaria

Bildungseinrichtung Buckow
e. V.

Germany
<http://www.bebuckow.de>

CONFCOMMERCIO –
Confederazione Generale
Italiana del Commercio, del
Turismo, dei Servizi, delle
Professioni e delle PMI

Italy
<http://www.confcommercio.it>

Italia Forma s.r.l.
Italy
<http://www.italiaforma.it>

Regione Umbria
Italy
<http://www.regione.umbria.it>



Publics: people with disabilities

***JOS – Job Open with Sign Language
Gebärdensprache in der Berufsbildung***

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: A/06/B/F/LA-158.300
Project period: Sept. 2006–Sept. 2008
Contractor: bfi Steiermark

With regard to vocational education and training, deaf people all over Europe still face a bleak situation. The level of education among them is generally low, and the majority of deaf people have few qualifications, if any, which results in a low level of social integration and self-esteem. The project *Job Open with Sign Language* is in the vanguard of making a highly specialised and future-oriented job profile (that of the mechatronics engineer) accessible to this target group. In doing so it actually improves their skills and competencies to a significant degree.

Project Web site: <http://www.jos-eu.org>

National partners:

Mürzzuschlager Innovations-
und Ausbildungs GmbH
<http://www.mia.at>

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EUD – European Union of the
Deaf

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Anastasis s.c.a.r.l.

Italy

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Fondazione ASPHI onlus

Italy

<http://www.asphi.it>

Šiauliai Labour Market
Training and Counselling
Office

Lithuania

<http://www.darborinka.lt>

CREA – Confederación de
Empresarios de Aragón

Spain

<http://www.crea.es>

North Devon College

UK

<http://www.ndevon.ac.uk>



Publics: SMEs

METALCERT

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: ES/06/B/F/PP-149.430
Project period: Oct. 2006–Sept. 2008
Contractor: FVEM – Federación Vizcaína
de Empresas del Metal
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Both globally and nationally, the metal sector is in a period of transition. The aim of this project is to find a transnational method for defining, validating and verifying the major competencies for the key processes most affected by change.

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Other transnational partners:

HCAFOCH
France
<http://www.gretanet.com>

Émergences
France
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Trebag Kft.
Hungary
<http://www.netcall36.hu>

ISE – Institutul de Științe ale
Educației
Romania
<http://www.ise.ro>

Fondo Formación Euskadi
S.L.L.
Spain
<http://www.ffeuskadi.net>

IMH – Instituto de Máquina
Herramienta
Spain
<http://www.imh.es>

IVAC – Instituto Vasco de las
Cualificaciones
Spain
[http://www.euskadi.net/ivac/
indice_c.htm](http://www.euskadi.net/ivac/indice_c.htm)



*Publics: nursery school teachers, trainers,
parents, children*

MIKI – Media Learning in Kindergartens

Programme: Socrates Grundtvig
Project number: G2-06-1-P-F-436
Project period: Aug. 2006–July 2007
Contractor: IBAF – Institut für berufliche
Aus- und Fortbildung gGmbH
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The purpose of the learning partnership *MIKI* is the exchange of experience in the field of media competence in nursery schools. The participating partners focus on how pre-school children experience media and how they can learn to deal with media in a responsible way.

Project Web site: <http://www.mikinet.eu>

Other transnational partners:

CVU Storkøbenhavn
Denmark
<http://www.cvustork.dk>

Social and Health Care
College
Denmark
<http://www.sosuaarhus-international.com>

Eötvös Loránd
Tudományegyetem
Hungary
<http://www.elte.hu>

Fundatia Ecologica Green
Romania
<http://www.feg.ro>

National partner:

Volkshilfe Steiermark
<http://www.stmk.volkshilfe.at>



Publics: workers

Valiwood

Validation of Job Skills in the European Woodworking Industry

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: SE/O6/B/F/PP-161.005
Project period: Oct. 2006–Sept. 2008
Contractor: TMF – Trä- och
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The project is aimed at harmonising education and training programmes in the European wood-working industry. The various national programmes are compared, differences are ascertained and uniform standards are established. An online tool for assessing and evaluating job skills is developed so as to facilitate recruitment and job creation. Another target is the development of standardised vocational certificates at European level.

Project Web site: <http://www.valiwood.eu>

Other transnational partners:

CEI-Bois – European
Confederation of
Woodworking Industries
Belgium
<http://www.cei-bois.org>

EFBWW – European
Federation of Building and
Woodworkers
Belgium
<http://www.efbww.org>

Handwerksbildungszentrum
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Poland
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Skogs- och Träfacket
Sweden
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Swedwood International AB
Sweden
<http://www.swedwood.com>

National partner:
Gewerkschaft Bau-Holz
<http://www.bau-holz.at>



Publics: people with disabilities

ValorVIP

Valorisation of Project Results for Blind and Visually Impaired People

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: 2006-3521/001-001 LE2-73VAL
Project period: Dec. 2006–March 2008
Contractor: bfi Steiermark

The central concern of the *ValorVIP* project is to objectively and scientifically determine, by using appropriate methods, the demand for innovative concepts of and approaches to removing barriers in the vocational education and training of blind and visually impaired people and to meet this demand, at a thematic valorisation conference, with the supply of products and results from Leonardo da Vinci pilot projects that have already been completed.

At the conference a number of thematically focused workshops shall facilitate consideration of the various aspects of and perspectives on barriers as well as an actual supply-and-demand matching of project results.

Special attention is paid to the follow-up phase with its comprehensive support structure for the practical implementation of the project results in individual organisations for blind and visually impaired people in Europe. It is also characterised by making the project outcome generally available.

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gGmbH
Germany
<http://www.bfw-dueren.de>

The National Council for the
Blind of Ireland
Ireland
<http://www.ncbi.ie>



Publics: older people, young people, local communities

EASY

European Activation for Seniors and Youth

Programme: Socrates Grundtvig
Project number: G2-06-1-P-O-499
Project period: Aug. 2006–July 2007
Contractor: BFI Tirol Bildungs GmbH

The European learning partnership *EASY* – *European Activation for Seniors and Youth* deals with the issues of intergenerational learning and working and active European citizenship. On a local level each partner organisation carries out small-scale projects with the aim of raising the awareness of older and younger people for intergenerational learning and the EU. In addition to these local projects, another focus is on European networking and the exchange of experience.

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Università degli Studi del
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Spectrum Centrum
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BIFHE – Belfast Institute of
Further and Higher Education
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Publics: trainers, counsellors

INT.COMP

Intercultural Competence Training for Trainers and Advisers in the Field of Professional Orientation

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
Project number: A/06/B/F/PP-158.305
Project period: Sept. 2006–Aug. 2008
Contractor: bfi Wien

In the *INT.COMP* project a training course in intercultural competence is being developed. The course comprises face-to-face units and blended learning modules as well as project work (interviews with immigrants) and a self-reflection phase. It is aimed at persons who have already completed training in the field of job orientation or who have three years of professional experience in this field.

Furthermore, a database is created in which information on immigration issues and national contact points is gathered. In addition, immigrant biographies are collected in a handbook.

Project objectives:

- strengthening the intercultural competencies of the target group
- improving the support for unemployed immigrants about to (re-)enter the labour market
- promoting a network of organisations active in the fields of immigration, labour market, continuing education and training, etc.
- disseminating the concept of diversity
- reducing the marginalisation of and discrimination against unemployed immigrants

Project Web site: <http://www.intcomp.eu>

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FIM – Neues Lernen
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Universität Nürnberg-Erlangen
Germany
<http://www.fim.uni-erlangen.de>

Cescot Veneto
Italy
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EBV – Ente Bilaterale Veneto
Italy
<http://www.ebveneto.it>

Kauno Technologijos
Universitetas
Lithuania
<http://www.ktu.lt>

SPI – Sociedade Portuguesa
de Inovação
Portugal
<http://www.spi.pt>

Universitatea din Pitești
Romania
<http://www.upit.ro>



Publics: teachers, VET centre staff

Technical Assistance VET – Phase IV – Training of Teachers and VET Centre Staff

Programme: CARDS
Project number: 04/MAC01/08/109
Project period: Jan. 2006–Sept. 2006
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The project *Training of Teachers and VET Centre Staff* is the fourth EU-supported project in the course of the VET reform in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The reform aims at expanding and modernising vocational education and training and is geared to meeting the needs of the labour market. Schools of a higher quality are expected to be more attractive for students and to improve their qualifications. In order for schools to reach this aim, they are supported when introducing modern teaching methods, active learning and new equipment, and staff are trained for these purposes.

Project objectives:

- supporting the Ministry of Education and Science in the implementation of new curricula
- developing curricula for various branches of vocational schools
- assuring sustainable development of vocational schools



Publics: young people

WORKPLACEMENT

Neue Formen der internationalen Zusammenarbeit zwischen Schulen und Unternehmen

Programme: Leonardo da Vinci
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Project period: June 2006–Sept. 2007
Contractor: bfi Wien

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CROSSOVER, an education initiative of the commercial schools of bfi Vienna and schools in Bratislava (Slovakia), Brno (Czech Republic), Székesfehérvár and Győr (Hungary) that has been running for six years, is dedicated to open borders and contacts between young people.

Since the school year of 2003–2004, the school project *Workplacement* has been a central component of this co-operation. During their holidays students from the partner schools get the opportunity to spend four weeks on placement in renowned companies in Vienna. In the summer of 2005, for the first time students at the schools of bfi Vienna, too, were given the chance to gain international experience at companies in Austria's neighbouring countries.

In July 2006, altogether eight students were sent to companies in the neighbouring countries for their four-week placement: two to Brno, four to Bratislava and two to Győr. In 2007 ten students are scheduled to participate in this project.

The EU finances a preparatory language course as well as travel and insurance costs per participant. Furthermore, participating students receive a lump sum as an allowance for expenses during their stay.

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