

## **COMETA PROJECT: Care Operators Mobility through ECVET**

**National seminar – 12<sup>th</sup> of September, 2014**  
**Meeting minutes**

**Balkanplan Ltd.**

On 12 September 2014 Balkanplan Ltd. organized national seminar with stakeholders from different sectors in order to present Cometa project, its aims, achieved results, the Memorandum of understanding and the developed assessment tools.

### **Participants:**

20 participants from various organisations related to the care sector and VET sector in Bulgaria took part in the national seminar.

Participants in the meeting were:

- Local communities (Gabrovo, Sofia, Breznik)
- VET experts

### **Main topics of the Agenda:**

- Presentation of the COMETA project
- Review and introduction to the Memorandum of understanding and its Annexes
- Review and introduction to Competences Assessment tool
- Discussion

### **Main points of the Discussion:**

The Participants were introduced with the Memorandum of understanding and its Annexes. The participants responded very positively to the documents and expressed further interest to learn more about the process of implementation of the Memorandum of understanding. The participants discussed the channels that will ensure the effective implementation of the Memorandum and its Appendixes in the national context.

During the discussion the participants showed interest in COMETA products, and assessed positively the possibilities for intercultural mobility which the COMETA tools offer in the social sector, based on the transparency of their competences.

All participants agreed that the possibility for recognition of specific competences of social workers in their own countries, as well as in foreign countries will stimulate more people working in this field to improve their qualifications, and will further lead to provision of better social services.

Participants identified as a difficulty the complexity of ensuring/ creating trust between organizations that will exchange staff members on the basis of the Memorandum of understanding.

## **Conclusions:**

As a result of the group discussion, the following conclusions have been drawn:

- Participants showed positive attitude regarding COMETA tools and appreciated very high their potential to facilitate the transfer and mobility of workers in the social sector in Europe;
- The COMETA tools have the potential to support the improvement of the level of qualification within the social sector;
- The participants expressed their interest to learn more about the products and to consider their application.