



Job Abroad

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Information sur le projet

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Type de Projet: Projets de transfert d'innovation

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Accroche marketing: 'Job Abroad' addressed persistent high unemployment rates among recent graduates and older workers.

By transfer of innovation, experience and best practice on mobility guidance, two overall results were achieved: One, an online upgrading guidance tool, a self-assessment checklist on required competencies on mobility guidance for counselors. Two, products were designed, employed to motivate target groups to include an international perspective in their job search: individual guidance (+550 sessions), workshops, meetings, newsletters, flyers, go cards (5,000), direct e-mails and networks of the project partners. To support and promote this, a website – careerabroad.info - with networking options was developed, fitted with articles and news on many aspects of job hunting in Europe. Organized to motivate and assist job seekers while navigating multitudes of inputs during their job search it provides country-specific information and a general overview of the crucial aspects of mobility.

Résumé: The unemployment rate among newly graduated students is far too high. Nearly 30 percent of the summer candidates 2008 in Denmark were still unemployed in October 2008, while the average unemployment rate in the country was less than 2 percent. Although many masters courses are in English at the universities, and there are many international students attending these along with the Danish students, a recent Graduate Survey shows that graduates are relatively reluctant towards applying for jobs abroad, e.g. only 4,5 % of the graduates from Aalborg University get their first job abroad.

The graduate survey also shows that many students do not focus on their future job opportunities until late in their education. Consequently, only 30 % have a job before they finish their education. The Graduate survey thus show that there is a great potential for improvements when it comes to the mobility and awareness of job opportunities among newly graduates.

The graduates need working experience to get a job - especially international working experience if they want a job Abroad. They also need guidance and network, i.e. international guidance and international network. This project will reduce unemployment among recent graduates and multiply their chances to fulfil their career options by introducing them to the European labour market and encourage them to work abroad.

The unemployed senior citizens in Europe are even more exposed, as emphasised in the Life-long Learning Programme. They are at risk of final exclusion. Their potentials must be fully revealed to themselves and the outside (European) world. They must broaden their horizon and look into the possibilities of working abroad. This project will reduce the unemployment among senior citizens by introducing them to the European labour market and encourage them to work abroad.

This project will provide professional guidance to these two groups about Job Abroad. It will raise their competence levels by improving the transparency and recognition of qualifications and competencies, including those acquired through non-formal and informal learning.

The three partners in Denmark and Iceland have a mandatory obligation to advise the target groups. Mobility counselling should be implemented in the mandatory counselling offers. To make this happen, this project will upgrade all the counsellors

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and establish a communication platform where the counsellors and target groups can get the necessary information and contacts.

In other words: There is a present, emerging and future need for European cooperation on adult guidance when it comes to boosting the mobility of recent graduates and senior citizens. This project will transfer experience and innovation from ZAV/EURES in Germany and Southend Enterprise Accreditation Ltd (UK) - who has exceptional good results in this work field - to partners in Denmark and Iceland.

Description: 'Job Abroad' has addressed the well-documented, persistent high unemployment rates among recent graduates and older workers in Denmark. Important key words circumscribing the 'Job Abroad' project are the transfer of innovation, of experience and best practice concerning mobility guidance involving online upgrading and guidance tools for career advisors. Various products and initiatives have been produced and employed in order to motivate and assist the target groups – university students, recent graduates and older workers – to include the international perspective in their job search. Of particular interest is a self-assessment tool, i.e. checklists for counselors that may be used irrespective of their particular work context or country – i.e. a practical test on the competences that mobility guidance requires. Importantly, the self-assessment tool may thus be used Europe-wide. The checklist is a competence-based vocational process and has increased the awareness of the competencies required in order to conduct high-quality and targeted mobility guidance; it summarises a whole range of topics to which one must pay attention and stay up-to-date. A key outcome of 'Job Abroad' is the increased mobility awareness among the target groups as we experience an ongoing and growing interest concerning the career options abroad. Via AAK an additional Leonardo da Vinci mobility grant (Go Abroad), internships have successfully taken place in small and medium sized enterprises across Europe thus boosting mobility considerably. As a combined effort and in order to reach the target groups, various means have been employed: individual guidance (+550 shorter or longer sessions), workshops and other group meetings, newsletters, flyers, go cards (5,000), direct e-mails and the networks of the project partners. Significantly, and in order to support and promote these efforts, an online platform – careerabroad.info - with networking options was developed and fitted with a considerable array of articles and information on the many aspects of job hunting in a European setting. This platform has been organized so as to motivate, inspire and assist the job seekers while navigating the multitudes of inputs they encounter during their job search. It provides country-specific information and a general overview of the crucial aspects of mobility. The project consortium has consisted of partners from Iceland, Germany, Denmark and the UK representing the private as well as the public sectors, SMEs as well as EURES, an Icelandic and a Danish university and an unemployment insurance fund. Thus the partners involved as well as the target groups have benefitted from a wide range of know-how.

Thèmes: *** Marché du travail
 *** Qualité
 *** Formation tout au long de la vie
 *** Enseignement supérieur
 *** Orientation professionnelle
 *** Entreprise, TPE, PME
 ** Utilisation et diffusion de résultats
 ** Étude interculturelle
 ** Formation ouverte et à distance
 * Validation, transparence, certification
 * Formation linguistique

Sectors: *** Information et Communication
 ** Enseignement

Types de Produit: Site Internet

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Enseignement à distance
Matériel pour l'enseignement
Transparence et certification
Matériel d'apprentissage

Information sur le produit: AAK flyer - about guidance on job search abroad being an option for AAK members.
Go card - about careerabroad.info - 5,000.
Self-assessment checklist for counsellors/consultants - also online on the website. i.e. checklists for counselors that may be used irrespective of their particular work context or country – i.e. a practical test on the competences that mobility guidance requires. Importantly, the self-assessment tool may thus be used Europe-wide. The checklist is a competence-based vocational process and has increased the awareness of the competencies required in order to conduct high-quality and targeted mobility guidance; it summarises a whole range of topics to which one must pay attention and stay up-to-date.
Various direct mails in order to reach our target groups.
A considerable array of articles online at <http://careerabroad.info/>
Workshops on job search abroad.

Page Web du projet: <http://careerabroad.info/>

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Données du projet

Self-assessment Checklists re Job Abroad.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/10332/prj/Self-assessment%20Checklists%20re%20%20Job%20Abroad.pdf>

Self-assessment checklists for counselors - job seekers may also benefit from it.