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Pioneers' work with Experts

In four countries of the partnership (Bulgaria, Greece, Poland and Spain) CONVET Pioneers continue to work on analysing curricula for the following qualifications: Plumber, Concrete Worker, Painter and Electrician.

Use basic construction, technical and technology terminology		✓		✓
Explain the types of systems, their purpose and elements		✓	✓	✓
Compare the qualities of the materials and parts for WSS systems	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognize and select the most appropriate materials and elements		✓		✓

During many meetings with Experts in respective areas, the Learning Outcomes are being analysed, divided into smaller pieces (in the project they are called basic elements), compared between countries and prepared to be implemented in an on-line comparison tool.

Sea Teach at annual ECVET Forum

Sea Teach visited the ECVET Forum in Vienna, which took place on 30th and 31st October 2014 to disseminate the CONVET project and to exchange with other ECVET experts about the current state of development regarding ECVET implementation.

It became clear that the CONVET project is very much in line with the current thinking and research regarding the comparison of qualifications on the level of Learning Outcomes and Units of Learning Outcomes.

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Also the CONVET "ECVET Training Materials" as well as the projects flyer were distributed. Especially the "ECVET Training Materials" were accepted with great interested by other ECVET experts and the general feedback was that they delivered a great overview and guidelines.

ECVET seminar in Poland

On 28th October 2014, in Turk, Poland, delegate from Center of Education and Enterprise Support attended the ECVET seminar entitled "ECVET as a tool for strengthening of vocational education ". The seminar was organised by Polish National Agency together with Complex of Technical Schools.

Among others, the seminar was attended by Wojciech Jankowiak - Deputy Marshal of Wielkopolskie voivodeship , Horacy Dębowski from Institute of Educational Research and Maria Montowska the Director of Polish-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Other guests included representatives of higher schools and universities and representatives of industry and Vocational Education and Training.

Dissemination in Greece

CCS participated in various events on which CONVET project was presented. Among others there was an event organised by the Piraeus Chamber of Industry and Commerce about reforms, employment and growth where CCS argued in favour of initiatives aiming towards a better educated workforce and the need for transparency in qualifications.

Another excellent opportunity to speak to the participants about CONVET training material, objectives and hand out flyers was an event organized by the State scholarship Foundation (Erasmus+ National Agency). The theme of the event was about the creation of opportunities for developing skills in E&T in response to the weakness of the national training systems for the development of skilled workforce capable of fulfilling the needs of the labour market.

CCS also participated in a seminar about innovative entrepreneurship as a means for battling unemployment during the economic crisis. The seminar was co-organised by the Athens Chamber of Industry and Commerce, the National Confederation of Hellenic Commerce and the Hellenic Confederation of Professionals, Craftsmen & Merchants.

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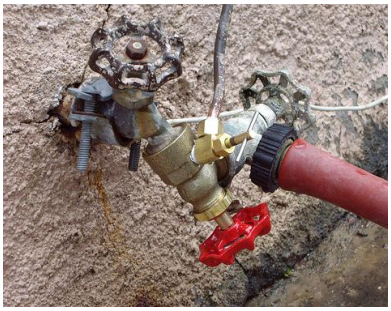
Annual meeting of the Council of Presidents in Bulgaria

CONVET project was presented by Ms.Galina Mihneva before the 24 participants at the Annual Meeting of the Council of Presidents of the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry held on December 2, 2014 in Sofia, Bulgaria . Members of the Council of Presidents are the Chairpersons of the regional Chambers of Commerce and Industry in Bulgaria. The meeting was presided by the President of BCCI Mr.Tsvetan Simeonov. All Presidents of local chamber have been given information leaflets.

Building relationships in the UK

OAKE Associates who are predominantly the Advisory Organization on Practical Action Learning Sets and cascade training, have continued to build relationships with the members of its Expert Advisory Group to discuss and debate the CONVET project and to exchange with other the views of ECVET experts about the current state of development regarding ECVET implementation and accreditation.

Feedback has been encouraging in the second half of the first year and brings confidence that the second year will provide ample outputs to produce a meaningful results.



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