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4th Transnational Meeting

On 23rd of November 2015, in Valencia, the last (4th) partners' meeting was held. Its aim was to recapitulate two years of project work and to clarify tasks for the last weeks of year 2015.

FEVEC presented all the results obtained during testing phase and all the comments received from the representatives of construction and VET sectors.



During the explanation of the recommendations included in the report, partners talked about the possibility of continuation of CONVET project, because the vast majority of people who took part in testing, asked about including more professions and countries in the comparison tool. People were also interested in the possibility to include job offers and links with information about

where the people can acquire training in each participating country. This gives a large field for the continuation of the issues taken by CONVET project.



The last part of the management meeting concerned preparations for the final conference, which took place the next day (2th of November).

FINAL CONFERENCE OF CONVET PROJECT

The final project conference took place in Valencia on 24th of November 2015. The opening ceremony of this event, which was organized by the Valencian Federation of Construction Employers, was completed by Mr. Francisco Zamora, Fevec's President.



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The conference gathered 106 participants coming from different areas: construction sector, vocational Teachers, associations of construction companies, local authorities and associations of builders. In addition to representatives of the Association and project partners, there were also prominent Experts from the field of vocational education, construction and qualifications recognition on European level present.



The attendees actively participated in the discussions that took place during the Conference, some questions were raised and at the end of the Conference a catering was provided, which allowed attendees and speakers to interact in a more relaxed way.

The main point the conference was presentation of the CONVET objectives and results in order to facilitate their exploitation and sustainability.

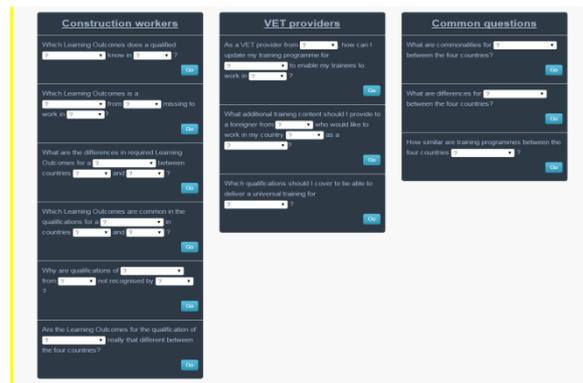
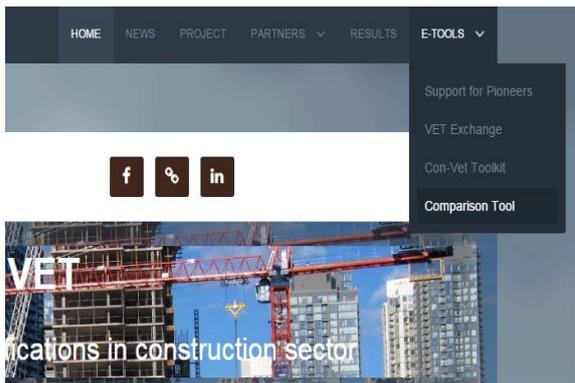
Representative of Sea Teach, Silja Teege, presented the *European Credit System for Vocational Education and Training (ECVET)* system which is very important for the implementation of this project.



Furthermore the speakers focused on such issues as:

- Energetic Rehabilitation of buildings, an opportunity for the sector - *Speaker: Engracia Arias – Technical*
- Quality Profile in Rehabilitation - *Speaker: Carmen Subirón Rodrigo*
- The education system as a certifying qualifications and Dual vocational training as future of quality. - *Speaker: Luis Alfonso Tortosa*
- Case study about Success in Integrally Rehabilitation - *Speaker: Pedro Querol Alemán*

The conference's closing ceremony was done by the Director General of Housing, Urban Regeneration and Rehabilitation, Honourable Mr. Alberto Sanchís, a representative of the Valencian Government.



CONVET Web application

Web application that has been created within the CONVET project is an area where VET providers and construction employers and employees can find interesting information about ECVET and own qualifications.

The Web application consist of 4 parts: support for pioneers, VET exchange area, CONVET Toolkit and Comparison Tool.

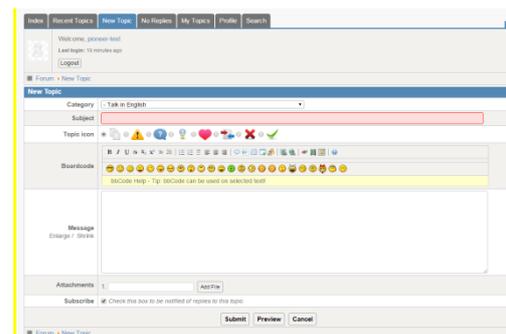
The first tool *support for pioneers* contains: stakeholders database, pioneer action plan, activity reports and reports overview.

Next tool is *VET exchange area*, which is a discussion forum giving the possibility of exchanging information in five languages: English, Polish, Greek, Bulgarian and Spanish.

Another part is *CONVET tools*, which aim is to introduce users to the problem of ECVET. The content includes information about ECVET, basic principles, facilitation and stakeholders' analysis.

The last, fourth tool is a *comparison tool*, which is divided into three areas: 1) construction workers, 2) VET providers, 3) common questions. In the first section it is

possible to compare the qualifications of workers from Bulgaria, Greece, Spain and Poland for the following professions: concrete worker, electrician, painter and plumber. In the second section, VET providers can check how to adapt their curriculum to the realities of each partners' country, so that the employees have the relevant professional competence. In the third section, users obtain information on what are common elements of competition in the four partner countries, what are the differences and what are the common features of the curriculum for various professions.



We would like to invite you to visit and check out the presented results of the project.