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supporting Employability, Adaptability and European Mobility in VET systems and Labour Market



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Welcome

to the second issue of the official newsletter of Ecovet Project.

The scope of this newsletter is to keep project partners and stakeholders updated on the latest endeavor of the consortium: with the second transnational meeting in Piraeus (Greece) the first year of ECOVET project is concluded.

What are the most important results achieved by the consortium?

What will be the main challenges for the second year of the project?

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2nd Transnational Meeting - Piraeus (Greece)

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From 22 to 24 October 2014 the Greek partner IDEC hosted the second transnational meeting. This was the occasion to make a report on the progress of Ecovet project, after the first year of activity and in view of the next deadline for the submission of the interim report to Italian national agency.

According to the meeting agenda the consortium discussed about the “Vademecum of the ECVET Management system”, the best practise on which Ecovet project is based. All partners agreed in confirming the value of the product characterized by a detailed methodological analysis. Their discussion was dedicated to define how to transfer the procedure defined by previous project (related to tourism sector) to the green economy sector. In particular the partnership emphasized the difference between the level of complexity of professional profiles provided by the previous project NETWORK (with low EQF level and simple skills and abilities) and Ecovet project where the profiles here selected are rather complex and with higher EQF level).

The meeting continued with the presentation by each partner of 6 different countries (IT, AT, EL, ES, RO, SI) of the desk analysis results, based on the analysis of the selected professional profiles. The description focused on the following aspects:

- analysis of contract forms;
- descriptions of knowledges, skills and competences;
- description and analysis of the certification systems (swot analysis)



The presentations of professional profiles was characterized by a constant debate among partners with the aim to make a comparison between Italian professional profile and those of the other European Countries.

The last part of the first day of meeting was dedicated to presentation of web site implementation.

The second day was dedicated to transversal issues (project management, administrative and financial management, monitoring and evaluation, dissemination) and to recap the most important aspects emerged during the meeting in order to plan next project steps.

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A year of Ecovet Project

The first year of Ecovet project has just ended. What are the main results of this period? Consortium has operated at two levels:

- one related to the general aspects of the project: project management, communication and dissemination, monitoring and evaluation.
- The other related to specific contents of the project: in particular the first year of the project was dedicated to:

PROFESSIONAL PROFILES

Professional profiles selected in the six countries:

- *IT: Technician for design and development of energy-saving systems*
- *AT: Environmental Technician*
- *EL: Technician for manufacturing applications of solar energy*
- *ES: Higher Technician in Renewable Energy Sources*
- *RO: Technician operator of renewable power systems*
- *SI: Manager of energy saving systems in buildings*

- the analysis of the six national VET systems (AT, IT, EL, ES, RO, SI) and of their level of implementation of ECVET system;
- the definition of the professional profile to analyse referred to the Italian one (technician for the design and the development of energy-saving systems) in order to to the define ECVET compatible exchange protocols.
- the definition of a first proposal of adaptation This is a transnational analysis of the professional profiles, of their Units, K.S.C. frameworks and L.O. in order to identify the common points among the different profiles. These common points are organized in tables of equivalence among the different Units (and consequently among the different EQF levels, L.O. and related K.S.C. frameworks).

In general all these outputs have allowed to identify the reference framework of each European country in order to build the conditions for the adaptation and the subsequent transfer in each geographic context for the next phase of the project.

The challenges for the second year

The first year of the project has allowed the consortium to build the foundation for the subsequent results of Ecovet project. In the next phase the partnership will be involved in the final adaptation of the best practice in order to define a new methodological-operational tool-kit (procedures, format of MoU and Learning Agreements, tools for the analysis and equivalence of skills, Units and LO) ready for the testing into some kind of possible experimentations.

Through experimentation the partnership could validate the transfer of the ECoVET tool-kit, of the MoU format in formal and non-formal contexts. Not being able to foresee with certainty if all partners will have active mobility projects for the specific sector in conjunction with this project stage, or not being able to define or predict a priori the existence of active training pathways related to the specific professional profiles selected we will take advantage of the opportunity to realize a "virtual experimentation" again according to the model already tested as part of the ECVET " NETWORK" project. In fact, thanks to the project partnership and the network

connected to the project partners (as well as associated partners involved at regional level in Italy) some focus groups and technical meetings will be realized to work with stakeholders and key actors of VET systems and market Labour in order to verify the applicability of the ECoVET tool-kit and the MoU model.

The consortium will implement a careful monitoring and analysis of the feedback of the experimentations/testing conducted in the transfer process, in order to derive useful indications for any changes required to the tool-kit in the operational phases.

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The next transnational meeting will take place in Madrid, Spain in February 2015