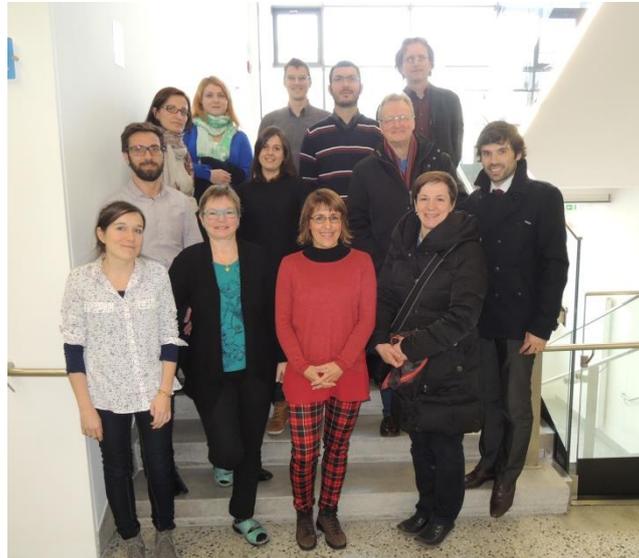


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Highlights of the Kick off meeting

2-3 Dec. 2013 Vienna



Accompanied by beautiful sunshine, Prof. Wimmer welcomed all the participants to Vienna. After a short round of introductions by all partners, Cristina Rocha, project coordinator, presented the project aim, finances, work packages and expected results. This was followed by a description of the preceding projects (InEDIC) by David Camocho.

Helder Rosendo of CITEVE presented remotely on the textile industry in Portugal and gave an overview of innovation trends in the textile sector. The presentation resulted in a lively discussion on Technical Textiles and Functional Textiles, which are distinguished only by the application they are used for. The projects need to decide which textiles it will focus on. Helder's recommendation: Innovative wall coating or home textiles.

Julia Lindenthal from AIE presented the KLIMA:aktiv standard on Material and Construction in the building industry, ranging from plusenergy, PVC free public buildings to straw houses in passive house standard.

Irina Celades of ITC presented innovations in ceramic materials and production processes, followed by a presentation on the social changes in society and the appropriate building options and furniture possibilities by Teresa Ros Dosda of ITC.

Stig Hirsbak of AAU gave an overview of the furniture sector in Europe.

Rainer Pamninger, VUT, mentioned the possible useful outcomes from the LCA to go Project, especially in the smart textiles area and followed by demonstrating the ECODESIGN Assistant and ECODESIGN Pilot.

Lunch (Fridattensuppe, Zander, Krautfleckerl, Kaiserschmarren)

Oihana Hernaez & Cristina Rocha informed of upcoming deadlines and the status of the administrative and financial issues in the project. Very important was the detailed description of the Rules and Regulations pertaining to the project.

Presentation of workpackages

WP1: Oihana Hernaez – interesting and lively discussion among the partners. The work package content, requirements, goals and procedures were discussed by all partners in great detail. It was agreed to substitute a number of questionnaires with interviews stakeholders. The interviews offer a more detailed insight. The questionnaires were reviewed and need to be reworked to better identify the actual gaps and requirements of companies. The entire process will need to be reviewed with a mixture of reviews, interviews, an expert panel or questionnaires likely.



WP2: Maria Kalleitner-Huber – gave a chronological overview of the WP and defined the required results from WP1 that are necessary before starting WP2. This led to some additional requirements on WP1.

WP3: Cristina Rocha – described the required outputs of WP3. The language requirements may have to be revisited. It was discussed that there are two different target groups: VET (trainers & students) & Companies

Cristina Rocha followed this presentation by the final presentation of the day focusing on Design for Sustainability Dfs. The discussion centred around the relevance of different issues for different sectors and how to balance the indicators in the decision making process.

After a hard and long day in the meeting room, the evening was spent at a Viennese Christmas Market, warming up with some Glühwein, followed by a dinner at a Heuriger, sampling some traditional Austrian food.



Kick-off Meeting, 2nd day

Prof. Wimmer started the meeting with a suggestion for WP1 that we should ask companies what questions they had, they have and will have. By identifying what they do not know, but what they would need to know, we can identify the knowledge gap and decide on the learning content that is necessary. It was agreed to postpone the discussion to the last Agenda point for the day.

WP5: Irina Celades (ITC) – described the expected results and the work procedure. It was agreed to work the comments into tables.

WP6: Stig Hirsbak (AAU) – described the major actions in the WP, followed by a presentation by Paulo Mendes (CITEVE) on the Webplatform, Website and RSS feed.

Coffee break

WP7: David Camocho – informed on the logo, the LLP disclaimers, internal communication plan (agreed to use the “table comment system” for WP2 & WP3 only and use initials to keep track of versions for internal documents), quality management plan and project meeting dates.

The meeting was concluded with a final discussion on WP1: Cristina Rocha proposed a method and process to arrive at the content of the training resources, taking into account the comments from the first day and the thoughts given by Prof. Wimmer in the morning. Oihana Hernaez followed on with an adapted process to develop the content. It is clear that defining the appropriate content is a central issue for the project and it was decided to work on this issue immediately following the meeting and a rough timeframe was agreed.