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Innovative tools and procedures for non- formal and informal learning validation

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Project Information

Title:	Innovative tools and procedures for non- formal and informal learning validation
Project Number:	LLP-LdV-TOI-2007-LT-0011
Year:	2007
Project Type:	Transfer of Innovation
Status:	completed
Country:	LT-Lithuania
Marketing Text:	The process of validation of non-formal learning is rapidly developing, which gives a good background for the sustainability of the products developed during this project. Methodological practical recommendations for validating non-formal learning will be used by practicians and by educational policy makers for the improvement of the processes and procedures of validation non-formal learning. Tourism sector representatives will have a tested/piloted electronic tools for competence testing, which will be very helpful in the overall management of human resources in companies and for individuals in their life long learning process. The reconstructed/redeveloped training programmes in tourism sector will be used by training institutions for training of students and adults. All of the participating partners in the project are interested in sustainability and further development of the non-formal learning validation system.
Summary:	The project addresses the processes and systems of validation of non-formal and informal learning, responding to the needs of employees and job-seekers to have recognition of their competencies acquired during their working life. The tourism sector has been chosen as a target sector because of the increasing number of individuals working in tourism sector (hotels) in Lithuania and other EU partner countries. The project will be implemented by 8 partners from 5 EU countries. The partnership is based on the effort to use the best European practice in the field of validation of non-formal learning. Each country has its own tools, instruments and procedures as well as different contexts: different legislation, educational systems.
Description:	The aim of the project is to evaluate the existing tools and practices for validating non-formal learning and to offer the most practical and relevant ones based on the experience of the five EU countries. The project objective is to facilitate the process of validating non-formal learning, with a focus on the needs of the pilot tourism sector.
Themes:	*** Lifelong learning *** Recognition, transparency, certification ** Sustainability * Social dialog
Sectors:	*** Accommodation and Food Service Activities
Product Types:	teaching material program or curricula procedure for the analysis and prognosis of the vocational training requirement modules evaluation methods
Product information:	Expected products: 1. Methodological practical recommendations including set of the most practical tools for validating non-formal learning in the tourism sector 2. Modular programmes in tourism (hotels) sector: VET level and college level 3. Electronic competences testing programme for tourism sector
Projecthomepage:	

Project Contractor

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City: Kaunas
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Country: LT-Lithuania
Organization Type: initial training
Homepage: http://pilis.kpvm.lt

Partner 2

Name: COLLEGE OF TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY
City: San Sebastian
Country/Region: Extra-Regio
Country: ES-Spain
Organization Type: initial training
Homepage: http://www.cebanc.com

Partner 3

Name: Norton Radstock College
City: Radstock
Country/Region: East Anglia
Country: UK-United Kingdom
Organization Type: university/Fachhochschule/academy
Homepage: http://www.nortcoll.ac.uk

Partner 4

Name: TietgenSkolen
City: Odense
Country/Region: Arthus Amt
Country: DK-Denmark
Organization Type: university/Fachhochschule/academy
Homepage: http://www.tietgen.dk

Partner

Partner 5

Name:	Vox, Norwegian Institute for Adult Learning
City:	Oslo
Country/Region:	Oslo Og Akershus
Country:	NO-Norway
Organization Type:	SME - small and medium-sized enterprise (up to 250 employees)
Homepage:	http://www.vox.no

Partner 6

Name:	Vytautas magnus University
City:	Kaunas
Country/Region:	Lietuva
Country:	LT-Lithuania
Organization Type:	university/Fachhochschule/academy
Homepage:	http://www.vdu.lt

Partner 7

Name:	Kaunas College
City:	Kaunas
Country/Region:	Lietuva
Country:	LT-Lithuania
Organization Type:	university/Fachhochschule/academy
Homepage:	http://www.kauko.lt

Project Files

ASSESS_METHODS_LT_STAGE_2008.doc

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/ASSESS_METHODS_LT_STAGE_2008.doc

Assessment methods of Non formal and informal learning in Tourism sector

E-competence Assessment System.ppt

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/E-competence%20Assessment%20System.ppt

E-competence assessment system

ETAP_GIDAS_EN.doc

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/ETAP_GIDAS_EN.doc

ETAP_GIDAS_LT.doc

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/ETAP_GIDAS_LT.doc

METHODS-TOOLS-rev-vox.doc

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/METHODS-TOOLS-rev-vox.doc

VARIETY OF ASSESSMENT METHODS AND TOOLS IN UK, NORWAY, DENMARK AND SPAIN

METODAI_LT_ETAP_2008.doc

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/METODAI_LT_ETAP_2008.doc

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Research_description.doc

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/3263/prj/Research_description.doc

StudyTourism2009.doc

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Products

1 E-competence testing system

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5 REGULATION OF NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING VALIDATION, GENERAL TENDENCIES

6 Modular programmes in tourism sector

Product 'E-competence testing system'

Title:	E-competence testing system
Product Type:	evaluation methods
Marketing Text:	Special electronic programe for testing competences acquired during work life, in non-formal and informal learning, in tourism sector.
Description:	The purpose of E-competence assessment system is to examine theoretical knowledge electronically. Tests are formed from questions and used to examine candidates. System assessors have opportunity to supervise the candidate additionally and collect additional information about him. For example fixate candidate's documents (CV, e-copies of diplomas, recommendations of employers, a. o.) and form candidate's portfolio of practical experience.
Target group:	Employees working in tourism sector.
Result:	E-competence testing system is creaed in 4 languages: English, Lithuanian, Danish, Norvegian.
Area of application:	Tourism sector
Homepage:	http://193.219.39.9/bnet/
Product Languages:	English

Product 'Methodological practical recomendations'

Title:	Methodological practical recomendations
Product Type:	evaluation methods
Marketing Text:	The following section presents differences in methods and tools used for assessment non-formal and informal learning achievements. The study carried out in five countries (Denmark, Norway, Spain, UK and Lithuania) revealed that even a method or a tool has the same name but it may differ in structure (for example, portfolio), field of application, may have some restrictions, limitations, etc.
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Target group:	Trainers, teachers
Result:	Study of different methods and tools used for assessment non-formal and informal learning achievements
Area of application:	During assessment of traget group, will be used all methods.
Homepage:	
Product Languages:	English

Product 'Assessors training in Bristol'

Title:	Assessors training in Bristol
Product Type:	material for open learning
Marketing Text:	In UK trained 7 assessors. Main Trainer - Norton Radstock College teachers.
Description:	The main idea from training of assessors: all assessment methods: Valid – meets the standards Current – in date usually within 2 years Authentic – the candidates own work Sufficient – written in enough depth to meet the standards
Target group:	Assessors
Result:	Trained 7 assessors, they will multiply their knowledge to other assessors.
Area of application:	Assessment methods in non formal and informal learning
Homepage:	
Product Languages:	English

Product 'RESEARCH INTO THE NEED FOR ASSESSMENT AND RECOGNITION OF COMPETENCIES ACQUIRED IN NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING IN TOURISM SECTOR'

Title:	RESEARCH INTO THE NEED FOR ASSESSMENT AND RECOGNITION OF COMPETENCIES ACQUIRED IN NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING IN TOURISM
Product Type:	others
Marketing Text:	Performing the EU Leonardo da Vinci programme transfer of innovations project “Innovative non-formal learning recognition methods and procedures in tourism sector”, a research was carried out aiming at identifying the needs for assessment and recognition of competencies acquired in non-formal and informal education in tourism sector.
Description:	Increasing flows of tourists have exerted impact upon the development of various tourism services. Obvious changes have been observed in hotel business, though the numbers of accommodation places in hotels per 1000 inhabitants still lag behind of the EU average considerably. Therefore, tourist accommodation sector has been chosen (hotels, hostels, special accommodation service enterprises) for the research. The development of this sector evidently encounters the need for qualified employees. Though sufficiently qualified specialists graduate from various educational institutions in tourism area every year, accommodation service enterprises still employ a number of employees who have no appropriate education and / or competencies in tourism sector.
Target group:	Needs of employees in tourism sector
Result:	RESEARCH INTO THE NEED FOR ASSESSMENT AND RECOGNITION OF COMPETENCIES ACQUIRED IN NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING IN TOURISM
Area of application:	Tourism sector
Homepage:	
Product Languages:	English

Product 'REGULATION OF NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING VALIDATION, GENERAL TENDENCIES'

Title:	REGULATION OF NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING VALIDATION, GENERAL TENDENCIES
Product Type:	
Marketing Text:	
Description:	
Target group:	
Result:	
Area of application:	
Homepage:	
Product Languages:	

Product 'Modular programmes in tourism sector'

Title:	Modular programmes in tourism sector
Product Type:	modules
Marketing Text:	
Description:	
Target group:	
Result:	
Area of application:	
Homepage:	
Product Languages:	Lithuanian

Events

Final conference

Date	08.06.2009
Description	The final conference will present the products developed by the project consortium: Methodological-practical recommendations for validation non-formal and informal learning, Tourism tendencies in 5 EU countries; E-testing programme, etc.
Target audience	VET schools, tourism companies, universities, training centres.
Public	Event is open to the public
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Time and place	October 2, 2009, Kaunas, LITHUANIA