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**Final Conference “RAP VPL project”**

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<p>Summary:</p> <p>This document describe the dissemination event which took place in Rome in January 2011: Final workshop of RAP VPL project – coordinated by the Municipality of Rome</p>
<p>Key words:</p> <p>Dissemination – final workshop – VPL validation of previous learning</p>

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## 1. INTRODUCTION TO RAP VPL PROJECT

**RAP-VPL - Raising Awareness of Potential Benefit Provided by VPL (Validation of Prior Learning)** is a project funded by the Lifelong Learning Programme – Key Activity 1: Policy Cooperation and Innovation.

Coordinator of the project is the Municipality of Rome - Human Resources Department.

Partners of the project are:

- Business value srl – Italy
- Cofora – Netherland
- TCC – Training and Counseling Centre – Bulgaria
- Gesellschaft für berufliche Weiterqualifizierung - Germany



More information at: [http://62.77.61.20/asp/RAP/RAP\\_Home.asp](http://62.77.61.20/asp/RAP/RAP_Home.asp)

The RAP-VPL project aimed at generating a European network raising awareness about the potential benefit to Lifelong Learning strategies offered by the VPL (Validation of Previous Learning) Model. In particular potential benefits in equal opportunities policies and in development policies of human resources in public administration have been highlighted. This has mainly been achieved by analyzing those VPL models that have actually proven to work.

National seminars analyzing in detail previous cases of application of VPL to Lifelong Learning Strategies were organized in the participating countries.

Crucial was the development of an international *forum* and a *Community of Practice (CoP)* about VPL Model applications to Lifelong Learning, for:

- Collaborative involvement of already existing on-line VPL communities into a wider international permanent on-line forum
- Support to participation of further national or local Lifelong Learning communities into RAP-VPL permanent forum
- Launch of specific forum sections dedicated to potential benefits of VPL in equal opportunities policies and in development policies of human resources in public administrations
- Set up and animation of a VPL dedicated COP as a means of mutual learning and knowledge sharing

### Project output

- A wide spread awareness about VPL and its implementation among European (especially in the participating countries) LLL stakeholders (training institutions and providers , employers, civil society...)
- A kernel of trained operators in each country capable of implementing the VPL method in local organisations
- An international forum on VPL applications where information is exchanged and shared among interested stakeholders across the EU and beyond
- A consolidated VPL Community of Practice where the participants have the possibility of setting up virtuous circles of learning by sharing their knowledge and accessing the knowledge stored in the COP.

## 2. RAP VPL PROJECT – FINAL WORKSHOP

The final conference of the RAP VPL project was held in Rome – Ara Pacis Museum – on the 28 of January 2011.

In this occasion was experimented the VPL model and were evaluated the competences of the 46 volunteers of Civil Service participating in social and environmental projects, and which will be replicated in the future editions of the programme, thus becoming a common practice of the organisation. The 46 volunteers received a formal certificate of competences validation released by the City of Rome.

The Rap VPL project partners have established informal relationships with a high number of external institutions which participated in the various public events organised in the frame of the project.

As regards the Italian partnership, the most relevant ones in addition to the project consortium are with ISFOL (Institute for the development of vocational training) and with a relevant number of University Faculties dealing with education and training issues.

Sophia Consulting was invited by the Municipality of Rome to attend the conference. In this occasion Sophia Consulting had the chance to dispatch brochures of the e-WINE project.

The programme of the event is detailed in Annex 1: RAP VPL project – Final Conference Agenda

# **ANNEX 1**

## **RAP VPL project – Final Conference Agenda**

