

MULTEMO - The Multilingual Toolkit for European Mobility

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Project Information

Title: MULTEMO - The Multilingual Toolkit for European Mobility

Project Number: UK/10/LLP-LdV/TOI-327

Year: 2010

Project Type: Transfer of Innovation

Status: completed

Country: UK-United Kingdom

Marketing Text: MULTEMO aimed to develop a multilingual toolkit for VET professionals to teach generic language learning skills and structures in VET institutions. It teaches key, generic language skills and structures needed to learn any new language in a foreign working environment.

Summary: Our existing Languages Bridge product is an innovative, multilingual teaching tool. Feedback from European presentations of the tool demonstrated the potential for its adaptation and development with older learners in vocational contexts. The tool focuses on the comparison of structures in different languages through collaborative activities. The methodology improves language learning skills and benefits vocational education to develop a more diverse, confident and competent multilingual workforce.

MULTEMO aims;

- to develop the skills of VET professionals in the teaching of generic language learning skills and structures, useful in the world of work through a multilingual methodology. This gives VET students the confidence to learn and apply any new language in a foreign working environment.

- to increase language competence using a progressive, modular approach identifying key, generic language skills and structures

- to adapt our innovative multilingual tool for use with European learners to give them the linguistic tools to adapt to the increasingly diverse and competitive employment market.

The partnership consisted of a variety of institutions with vocational and pre-vocational programmes and links to varied education providers in 5 countries, with a wealth of experience in international cooperation.

In year 1 of the project the partnership developed over 30 lessons on a wide range of linguistic skills and trialled them in vocational classes in each country. All the materials demonstrate specific linguistic concepts and skills through exemplification in a range of foreign languages. Feedback from the trials demonstrated student engagement with the methodology and progress in understanding and confidence in language learning.

At four partnership meetings held, project participants shared and refined devised materials, collaborated to make them richly multilingual and developed the VET Training Programme.

In the second year of the project the materials devised were trialled in different VET settings to test their adaptability and potential for use in any European VET context. All the materials are organised into a coherent tool for VET professionals to access through the website.

Project researchers also created Case Studies of the development of the tool.

The final Partnership Meeting took place in Sofia in May 2012.

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- a linguistically richer vocational language learning experience, complementing the more intensive study of both mother tongue and a particular foreign language.

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- their students (target group 2) improved confidence and flexibility in terms of mobility within the employment market and in their personal development as multilingual citizens of Europe.
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Themes: *** Labor market
*** Intercultural learning
*** Language training
*** Continuous training

Sectors: *** Education

Product Types: teaching material
website

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Project Files

11 diss plan UK.doc

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UK dissemination plan

1-3 Dec Meeting Log.doc

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Meeting Log from Project Partnership Meeting 1, December 2010

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Meeting Log for Project Partnership Meeting 2, June 2011

Products

- 1 MULTEMO website
- 2 MULTEMO VET Training Programme
- 3 MULTEMO Case Studies

Product 'MULTEMO website'

Title: MULTEMO website

Product Type: website

Marketing Text: The MULTEMO project has created multilingual teaching materials to improve VET students' language learning skills. Becoming more flexible language learners through a deeper understanding of languages and how they work will better prepare them for the European employment market.

Description: The MULTEMO website contains background information for the project, research evidence, participants list and all the teaching materials developed.
Access to all the products is by application to the project partners.

Target group: VET professionals

Result:

Area of application: A source of information and innovative teaching materials for VET professionals.

Homepage: www.multemo.org.uk

Product Languages: English

Product 'MULTEMO VET Training Programme'

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Product Type: teaching material

Marketing Text: MULTEMO developed a multilingual toolkit for VET professionals to teach generic language learning skills and structures in VET institutions. It teaches key, generic language skills and structures needed to learn any new language in a foreign working environment.

Description: The VET training programme provides pedagogical support for VET professionals wishing to use the materials developed by the project. It will be used by the Project Partners to disseminate the innovative MULTEMO pedagogy. It is available through the project website on application to one of the project partners.

Target group: VET professionals

Result:

Area of application: It will be used by the Project Partners to disseminate the innovative MULTEMO pedagogy.

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Product Languages: English

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Area of application: To assist VET professionals in applying the learning from the project effectively to their own situation.

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Product Languages: English