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ECIL: The Development of a European Certificate in Intergenerational Learning

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Project Information

Title:	ECIL: The Development of a European Certificate in Intergenerational Learning
Project Number:	UK/12/LLP-LdV/TOI-508
Year:	2012
Project Type:	Transfer of Innovation
Status:	granted
Country:	UK-United Kingdom
Marketing Text:	The project has developed a distance learning course that enables people across Europe to develop their skills and expertise in organising projects between the generations.

Summary:

This project has piloted a collection of intergenerational life-long learning training approaches developed in the UK with five partners across Europe. Through this process the materials have been tested for wider European relevance. Different delivery mechanisms have been trialled and the materials redrafted into a distance learning package that can now be delivered throughout Europe and accredited in the UK.

The objectives are to:
(i) Undertake a robust trial of UK training materials with European partners;
(ii) Explore the cultural dimensions of delivering training in different countries;
(iii) Test the training against the vocational needs of professionals delivering intergenerational life-long learning programmes (ILLP);
(iv) Demonstrate the efficiency of ILLP approaches to develop competences on learners;
(v) Develop an accredited learning programme and associated resources to develop the competence of professionals delivering ILLP.

The key target groups are:-
- Professionals engaged in vocational education and training systems, institutions and practices.
- Participants needing to gain skills and competences to improve new employability and participation in the labour market.

There is a growing recognition of the need for intergenerational approaches to vocational learning that explore the skill sets, attitudes and competences of different cohorts of learners. However, there has been no systemic attempt to date to develop a structured, accredited approach to ILLP, particularly for the professional delivering these programmes.

Description:

At a time when so much news is about potential breakdown and conflict between people of different ages this is a wonderful opportunity to make a positive contribution to building a skilled European workforce to empower people of all ages to make a better Europe together.

As a result, project partners have prepared country reports reviewing; relevant resources, training, case studies and needs in each country.

By taking existing materials as the starting point for development by the five partners it has been possible to test and develop a much more coherent programme that will have a wider European relevance. We have used a two stage process for testing materials. Draft materials were prepared and tested for relevance, meaning and effectiveness of learning tasks. Groups of users from relevant backgrounds who are interested in becoming tutors were brought together to test and discuss the materials.

The materials were revised in the light of feedback. A work guide and supporting resources were produced for online use. A second group of learners were then recruited to work through the online programme including the assessment tasks and tutor support programme. After these two stages were completed we are happy to

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report that the work book, programme and all related materials have now been finalised and are available online.

A European conference to launch the certificate was held in Sofia, Bulgaria in September, 2014.

Themes:
*** Labor market
*** Intercultural learning
*** Others
*** Lifelong learning
*** Open and distance learning
** Vocational guidance
* Social dialog
* Enterprise, SME
* Continuous training
* Initial training

Sectors:
*** Education
* Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities
* Human Health and Social Work Activities

Product Types:
material for open learning
website
open and distance learning

Product information: There is currently a project website (http://www.ecileu.eu/) that holds a number of the project resources and outcomes including country reports, case studies, and partner information. There is also an online certificate, online library and promotional materials.

Projecthomepage: http://www.ecileu.eu/

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Homepage: http://www.univerza3.si

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Organization Type: university/Fachhochschule/academy
Homepage: http://www.ugr.es

Project Files

Bulgaria Country report.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/9706/prj/Bulgaria%20Country%20report.pdf

State of the Art reports on Intergenerational Education & Learning

ECIL Newsletter 3.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/9706/prj/ECIL%20Newsletter%203.pdf

ECIL Newsletter No 1.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/9706/prj/ECIL%20Newsletter%20%20No%201.pdf

ECIL Newsletter No 1

ECIL Newsletter No 2.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/9706/prj/ECIL%20Newsletter%20No%202.pdf

ECIL Newsletter No 2

Slovenia Country Report.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/9706/prj/Slovenia%20Country%20Report.pdf

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Spain Country Report.pdf

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Sweden Country Report.pdf

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UK Country report.pdf

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Products

1 ECIL Case Studies

Product 'ECIL Case Studies'

Title:	ECIL Case Studies
Product Type:	teaching material
Marketing Text:	ECIL has collected and is now disseminating case studies that together, provide an overview of the role and status of Intergenerational Practice (IP) and Learning (IL) across Europe.
Description:	This collection of case studies provides a resource for practitioners, policy makers and researchers in the field to support the future development of IP and IL and ensures that existing practices are well documented and disseminated. It also enables practitioners to highlight and publicise their work to the broader European and International community.
Target group:	Practitioners, policy makers and researchers in the field of IP and IL
Result:	The ECIL website now holds a variety of case studies from all partner countries, in partner languages, that provide an overall presentation of intergenerational programs, projects and policies in the countries of the project consortium.
Area of application:	ECIL endeavours to highlight factors involved in both the successes and barriers each case has encountered, as well as offering possible solutions. Case studies provide relevant and useful lessons learned which others can use in their own learning and implementation processes.
Homepage:	http://www.ecileu.eu/?page_id=23
Product Languages:	English