

A Gateway to Guidance

How to secure that industry and the labour market has continual access to employees' current and relevant qualifications?



First partnership meeting in Skien, Norway.



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Type of project

Pilot

Contractual year

2005

The Challenge

The globalized information society with continual changes in technology and markets creates the demand for the majority of active workers to update their knowledge in the course of their working career and resume further education. In addition there are a large number of persons out of work who are not registered as job applicants. Who are they? What kind of competencies do they have?

Short description

Every partner has developed or develops a regional career guidance system. Within this system we will develop and test a new system for upskilling and reskilling of workers. In addition we will carry out a two step method regarding «Unregistered unemployed»:

- 1) a method for approach and
- 2) a method for career guidance – New practice.

Objectives

The main aim is to make a comprehensive regional system for vocational “Lifelong Guidance” and counselling in a society of Lifelong Learning, based on a close co-operation between public employment services, public administration, the Confederation of Business and Industry, the Labour Union and other public and private actors.

Target groups

- Employees
- «Unregistered unemployed»

Responsible organisation

The Competence Forum of Telemark, represented by Telemark County Council - Norway

Contact person

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Participating countries

Denmark, Ireland, Norway, Slovak Republic and UK

Partnership description

The project partners represent University Colleges (IRL and DK), online non-profit career guidance systems (UK), Directorate of Labour, social affairs and family (SK) and organisations which co-ordinate activities concerning improvement of the competence levels in a region. Each partner will co-operate with a «Local Business» (Private or public) with a planned or existing internal career service system.

Main result

The project has a duration of two years, until 01.10.07. The project ambition is to develop a handbook presenting a new professional plan, new procedures, new methods and approaches. The results will be disseminated through the partners to different countries, regions and organisations.

Project website

Follow the project on our the web-site: www.gatewaytoguidance.com

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