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INTERCULTURAL MOBILITY

Development and validation of inter-cultural competences amongst VET professionals to improve the delivery of VET mobility programmes in the EU

About

Intercultural competences are becoming more important as EU Member States become increasingly diverse and EU citizens more mobile.

[Eurocircle](#) is coordinating this two-year project (01/10/2016 to 30/09/2018), which brings together 5 European partners [CESAT](#) and [ERIFO](#) in Italy, [MMC](#) from Cyprus and [RINOVA](#) & [EAL Academy](#) in England who are working on "Intercultural competence" as a continuous process of assessing and broadening our knowledge and respect for differences, as well as better understanding, experiencing and exploring our own.

Objectives

Project's Main Objectives:

- To foster social inclusion and integration of young adult people / ethnic communities/ migrants / marginalized groups through mobility programs
- To upskill the development of cultural competence skills among VET professionals responsible for organizing VET Mobility programs across EU.
- To develop and test a program in cultural competency in line with the European Reference Framework (ECVET) to have qualified Intercultural VET Providers.
- To explore the development of an intercultural competency framework with links to NQF and EQF.
- To increase the quality and experience of mobility across the EU by embedding cultural competency in VET programs for the benefit of the learners/workers and the wider economy.



Outcomes Progress

Partners are currently working on the Baseline Comparative Research, the first outcome of the project due for this Spring.

The research is the first preparatory step in Intercultural Mobility process to provide an innovative program in intercultural competences for VET providers in order to maximize the impact of an intercultural mobility in the process of social integration of the learners. The aim of the research is to provide a detailed and comparative overview of cultural based-competence in VET professionals/providers' activities and profile. The VET providers are able to meet the needs of students, learners and workers. The real added value of a VET provider expert with cultural competences framework is his/her ability to strategically manage his/her own intercultural network, constantly widening and enriching it in order to provide the best answer to people's needs thus, helping them with undertaking a mobility experience abroad.

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