Projects approved in 2005 under VP/2005/011 Mutual Learning and Dissemination Call for Proposals

Country, project title, partner countries

Hungary – Adaptability, job creation, human resource development: bases of competitiveness (experts from Austria, Netherlands)

Objective

The project focuses primarily on the theme *Increasing the Adaptability of Workers and Enterprises* due to its importance and relative lack of knowledge in Hungary of the Hungarian situation. Under this theme, six seminars will be organised on various aspects, among others flexicurity, link between technological and organisational developments, consequences of globalisation and the role of social partners. The workshops target three main groups: a) regional and national decision makers primarily in the field of labour market and regional policy, b) social partners at local and national level, and c) researchers. A so called discursive co-ordination method will be applied to the design of the seminars which will be held throughout the country in order to ensure regional participation and exposure. The project will be monitored in-house with a dedicated website devoted to publishing all materials generated by the project, including speeches, conclusions and policy recommendations. While the project does not have formal transnational partners, experts from a number of other Member States will participate in all the various workshops.

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Country, project title, partner countries

Turkey – Two smaller but complementary sub-projects both on the theme of youth - 1) Kick off for Youngsters: Rosetta Plan, and 2) Seminar about a preventive action in Portugal: Inserjovem and Reage

Objective

Kick off for Youngsters: Rosetta Plan

The project focuses on the theme of *Investing more and More Effectively in Human* Capital and life long learning. It is also related to the EES guideline of active and preventive measures for the unemployed and inactive. Specifically, the project aims to analyse the potential of the Belgian Rosetta Plan for combating the very high level of youth unemployment in Turkey. The Rosetta Plan has been identified in various instances as a potential good example in this field. The project aims to answer what are the benefits of the Rosetta Plan model, are they applicable in the Turkish context, what are the concrete opportunities and obstacles to implementing a Rosetta Plan model in Turkey and who should be the involved parties. The project targets concerned decision makers at national and regional level responsible for youth labour market policies, social partners, researchers and interested young people. A total of three seminars will be held where the third and last seminar is tailored to facilitate dissemination of the inputs and conclusions from the first two. Complete project documentation will be made continually available on a dedicated website linked to the Turkish Employment Agency. Experts on the Rosetta Plan from Belgium will participate in the project.

Seminar about a preventive action in Portugal: Inserjovem and Reage

The project focuses on the theme of *Attracting more people to enter and remain on the labour market: making work a real option for all*. Specifically, the project aims to analyse the good practice experiences of Portugal – Inserjovem and Reage. The project aims to answer what are the benefits of the Portugese model, are they applicable in the Turkish context, what are the concrete opportunities and obstacles in implementing a similar model in Turkey and who should be the involved parties. The project targets concerned decision makers at national and regional level responsible for youth labour market policies, social partners, researchers and interested young people. The project centers around one main conference pre- and proceeded by internal working meetings in order to draft policy recommendations. Complete project documentation will be made available on a dedicated website linked to the Turkish Employment Agency. Experts from Portugal will participate in the project process.

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Italy – European Network for Illegal Work (Romania, Netherlands, France)

Objective

The project focuses primarily on the theme *Increasing the Adaptability of Workers and Enterprises*. Specifically, the project deals with the problem of *undeclared work*. The importance of this theme is exemplified in numerous EU Commission documents, among else the Commission study *Undeclared Work in an Enlarged Union* in which the fight against undeclared work is identified as one of the least studied aspects of the EES. Stakeholders include labour market policy and other decision makers at all levels, social partners and researchers. The project aims to explore and share existing good practice in the field, identify, classify and document relevant terminology in the policy field, identify and classify suitable monitoring indicators for studying undeclared work, and draft policy recommendations for combating undeclared work in order to increase knowledge, visibility and action in this area. Two seminars, each encompassing two thematic workshops, will be held over the course of the project, the first in Paris. The aim of the project is also to establish and enforce the transnational network between the project leader and partners in order to continue co-ordinating efforts in this regard.

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Greece – MED Mutual Learning Programme (Spain, Portugal)

Objective

The project focuses on two main themes; a) attracting more people to the labour market and b) investing more and more effectively in human capital. The aim is to explore good practices under these themes in Europe and especially among the partner countries, explore the validity of these good practices in the Greek (and partner) context and raise visibility in respective MS of the EES process in general and specifically good practices and policies under the two overarching themes. To this end, a number of seminars will be organised in Greece, Spain and Portugal bringing together representatives of the key stakeholders. The stakeholders are all relevant policy decision makers at local, regional and national level, vocational training and labour market authorities, social partners and researchers. A website will be dedicated to the publication and dissemination of project materials, reports etc., in addition to direct dissemination through direct contact with concerned persons and bodies.

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Belgium - EVA + (Italy, France)

Objective

The project focuses on the theme of *Attracting more people to enter and remain on the labour market: making work a real option for all*. Specifically, the project focuses on the issue if labour market integration of *low-skilled persons*.

The project, which builds on a previous project co-financed by DG EMPL called EVA, aims is to establish a network in order to better raise awareness, analyse and disseminate good practices among the local, Wallonian, and transnational partners and more generally to raise awareness of the themes, process and links to the local and regional contexts of the EES. Key stakeholders include primarily local and regional decisionmakers, concerned bodies, social partners but also the general public. In addition to a long series of working meetings with local actors and transnational partners, focused and targeted information campaigns involving the media and audiovisual presentations raising awareness of the relationship between the EES and local/regional labour market policy, good practice, and better understanding of the specific EU Commission to recommendations to Belgium within the frame of the Lisbon process.

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Spain – WISE (Working in Sustainable Employment) (Sweden, Slovenia, Czech Republic)

Objective

The project focuses primarily on the theme Attracting more people to enter and remain on the labour market: making work a real option for all. Specifically, the project deals with the problem of the ageing workforce, an issue which is also relevant to the other themes. In countries where workforce participation among older persons is relatively low in a European context, and where the social infrastructure does not provide much support in caring for elderly persons, the challenges are compounded. This divergence is reflected in the partners which include Sweden with the highest level of work force participation among older persons and a relatively extensive elderly care infrastructure, and Slovenia with one of the lowest work levels. Stakeholders include labour market policy and other decision makers at all levels, social partners and researchers. The project aims to explore and share existing good practice in the field, identify, classify and document relevant terminology in the policy field, identify and classify suitable monitoring indicators for studying undeclared work, and draft policy recommendations for fostering greater work force participation by older persons in order to increase knowledge, visibility and action in this area. A broad range of dissemination activities, including seminars, audiovisual tools, direct contact with key decision makers etc are planned.

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Italy – Monitoring Labour Market Reforms (Cyprus, Hungary, Lithuania)

Objective

The project focuses on the theme *Ensuring effective implementation of reforms through better governance*. The aim is to explore good practices under these themes in Europe and especially among the partner countries, explore the validity of these good practices in the Italy (and partners) context and raise visibility in respective MS of the EES process in general and specifically good practices and policies under the two overarching themes. To this end, a number of seminars will be organised in Cyprus, Hungary, Lithaunia and Italy bringing together representatives of the key stakeholders. The stakeholders are all relevant policy decision makers at local, regional and national level, vocational training and labour market authorities, social partners and researchers. A website will be dedicated to the publication and dissemination of project materials, reports etc., in addition to direct dissemination through direct contact with concerned persons and bodies.

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