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Migration and Labour Market

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Migrapass-



a portfolio & a companion for migrants

Transfer of Innovation European project Leonardo da Vinci (2010-2012) Initiated by iriv together with Autremonde (France) in 5 countries











Autremonde, leader ; iriv coordinator October 2010- October 2012











Introduction

- Migration has become a European competence since the Treaty of Amsterdam in 1997
- The European Pact on Immigration & Asylum (under the French Presidency of the EU in 2008) was mainly security oriented
- As stressed by the EU in 2007 "A thriving Europe needs active citizens living together in integrated societies"
- as far as the integration policy is concerned two processes are critical "the elimination of inequalities and the acquisition of competences"







Objectives of the Migrapass

- Struggling against discriminations migrants may suffer on the labour market (segmentation of the labour market together with barriers to training)
- Enhancing diversity on the national labour markets in opening new perspectives (new profiles for new jobs)
- Allowing migrants to identify their experiences (including their unique experience of migration) and to express them in competences (together with the meta-competence of mobility) to improve their professional career









Migrapass, a LLL project

- The Migrapass: a LdV Project focused on skills and competences of migrants
- The lifelong learning programme is a EU programme launched at the Council of Lisbon in 2000
- meant to enhance the knowledge society in Europe, four sub-programmes
 - Comenius primary & secondary education
 - Erasmus higher education
 - Leonardo da Vinci professional education
 - Grundtvig continuous education







Main goal of the Migrapass



- object: building a tool (portfolio) and a method (collaborative training) to express the experience and to value their competences
- A holistic approach: professional experience (previous employment), social experience (voluntary involvement in an association), personal experience (transnational movement)
- Selected competences (basis of 12 competences)
 with 5 levels of achievement
- An action plan (applying for a training, a VPL process or directly for a job)







Public of the Migrapass



- two publics :
 - Tutors/mentors : people working with migrants
 - Migrants themselves
- Tutors/mentors: social workers, job councillors, volunteers in associations
- Migrants: low qualified workers; women and youngsters without any relevant professional experience; migrants with diploma/qualifications from their native countries unrecognised on the European labour markets









A European team to implement the Migrapass

- 5 countries :
 - France: leader, Autremonde; Iriv coordinator
 - Austria- Oikodrom
 - Bulgaria Cermes (New Bulgarian University)
 - Spain Ciumeda (University of Burgos)
 - UK- Cronem (Roehampton University)









Expected results

- a portfolio
- → A mentoring/tutoring
- → an experimentation of both portfolio & mentoring
- → A network of experts in Europe
- → 2 websites & a weblog (http://migrapass.blogspot.fr/)
- → other materials: newsletters, articles, films
 (Autremonde & Oikodrom), conferences (organised by the Cronem at the University of Surrey, organised by the Cermes at the Institut de France in Sofia...)







Added value

- Contributing to the LLL programme
 - non formal and informal learning
 - *A special competence focused on migration
- an innovative tool & method
 - a portfolio focused on migrants' competences
 - *A portfolio integrating a holistic approach
 - A portfolio with a pragmatic approach (action plan)
 - A collaborative method based on the close relationship between tutors and migrants







Perspectives

- Migration is a sensitive topic both on a European scale (the "besieged fortress syndrome") and on a national scale (in times of economic crisis)
- Nevertheless ageing Europe needs migrants for demographic and economic reasons
- The Migrapass project offers a pragmatic approach of the integration policy on a local scale (associations and stakeholders in the field of labour market)
- Next step: official recognition of the tool & method on national & European levels for instance as a component of the Europass...





Useful Contacts



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