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Compendium 2012

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Introduction

The present publication is dedicated to the projects selected in 2012 under the call for proposals for the Implementation of the European Agenda for Adult Learning.

The Compendia are part of the Executive Agency's contribution to a better dissemination of information about ongoing projects and to an improved networking among project coordinators.

In the Compendium you will find a short description of each project, as well as the contact details of the beneficiary and coordinating organisations. Please note that the Compendium reflects the state of the projects at the selection stage (in July 2012), which means that data such as duration or contact details may change during the lifetime of the project.

The Council Resolution on a European Agenda for Adult Learning, adopted by the Education Council on 28 November 2011, concentrates on increasing participation among the low qualified and disadvantaged adults, with a focus on developing their basic skills, for example through guidance, validation and access to second chance initiatives.

The Agenda encourages the LLP participating countries to take concrete steps to enhance, intensify and coordinate policies to provide adult learning, in particular offering lower qualified adults a "second chance" to go "one step up" in their qualification level.

To facilitate liaison and effective implementation of the Agenda at national level and to cooperate with the Commission in its implementation at European level, the Council Resolution provides for the designation of national coordinators, having the necessary level of responsibility and technical competences in the field of adult learning, located in national administrations or other agencies operating under the responsibility of these.

The EU funding in 2012 is intended to co-finance the participation costs of those LLP countries that want to participate in the activity. The purpose of the grant is to support national administrations, through the coordinators, in implementing the Agenda with a wide range of stakeholders and in a wide range of settings. The objectives are to:

- Inform and raise awareness of the Agenda and the importance of adult learning more generally;
- Organise exchange and debate with all relevant stakeholders at national, regional and local level to mobilise cooperation that could help reach a maximum number of adult learners;
- Act on the recommendations of the High Level Group on Literacy and use the "Basic skills: policy and practice guidelines", which resulted from the Action Plan on Adult Learning;
- Support transnational cooperation in the development and implementation or consolidation of national and regional initiatives offering adults a second chance to acquire basic skills.

Finally, it is worthwhile mentioning that on the website

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/results_projects/project_compendia_en.php you can find other Compendia of projects funded under the Lifelong Learning programme (2007-2012).

REFERENCE: 374411-LLP-1-2012-1-NL-GRUNDTVIG-AL_AGENDA

Title: NL-IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: As in many European countries, also the Netherlands is facing a considerable amount of people lacking the basic skills for entering and staying in the labour market and, for a part of them, even to fully participate in the society. On the other hand, we are expecting shortness of labour in particular in the healthcare sector, technical sector and in the green sector. A result of the current crisis is that people need to work longer. It is known that among the group of elderly who have to work longer now the requested skills are lacking. The project described below will support people to participate fully in society and to decrease the expected shortness of labour by upgrading their skills and competences.

The following target groups are envisaged to participate in the project:

- The different stakeholders at national and regional level: social partners, government (ministries of education culture and sciences, care welfare and sport and social affairs), local municipalities, institutes for work and income, the reading and writing foundation;
- Participants: people who want to re-integrate the labour market and lacking the required basic skills, in particular, in the sector of care and welfare;
- Providers working with people who are lacking basic skills.

The expected impact will be the following:

- By using the European instruments in an integrated way low skilled and/or low qualified people will be better supported and be able to obtain in a more efficient way a qualification which will help to enter the labour market
- Better cooperation between the different stakeholders at regional and national level.
- Established cooperation with, in particular the neighbouring countries.
- Monitoring and presentation of the results and recommendations for the follow up.

The following methodology will be used:

- Validation of people's skills already obtained, in particular at the level of basic skills. The people will be identified by the institutes for work and income and employers. Based on results of the validation process, tailor made learning will be improved, further developed and offered. As there is an immediate lack of people in the sector of health care this project will focus on this sector.
- Organising round tables with the different stakeholders at regional and national level to discuss the possibilities to decrease the number of people lacking basic skills and for that reason having difficulties to enter and stay in the labour market among making use of European instruments.
- PLA with a limited number of participants on how European instruments are (or can be) used to help people to go "one step up".
- Monitoring results and communication of results, challenges ahead and problems still to be solved to a wider audience.

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Title: **LI - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING**

DESCRIPTION: The primary goal of the project is to improve the access to lifelong learning and to motivate disadvantaged and low skilled people to participate in education. We intend to expand the existing courses and establish missing courses in basic skills (literacy, numeracy, ICT, foreign language skills, active citizenship). Only if we are successful to create an attractive overall framework the group of low educated and low skilled people will be able to be brought forward to mid-level qualification. In addition with this project we will demonstrate the great importance of adult education in the educational landscape. A stronger, innovative and systematic promotion of adult-oriented form of education is the key point for the realisation of lifelong learning.

As personal resources are limited in our small country and especially in the field of Adult Education Liechtenstein, four working groups are formed which are involved throughout the whole project duration (part-time work by agreement): National Authorities; Economic and Industrial Chamber; Trade Union; providers, teachers and trainers. It is extremely important that all stakeholders are involved and that the project is supported by their wide knowledge and active support.

We will also carry out awareness-raising courses (sensitisation courses for intermediaries). The courses are for people who are in touch with the target group (national departments, communities, associations, medical services etc.). A professional counselling centre will facilitate the entry of the target group in education and supervise the further educational pathway.

Due to the high individualisation of the courses, the actions to be taken will have a relatively large variety in the content design. The individual modules can be flexibly designed taking into account the specific needs of the target groups. Education for vulnerable social groups must be very inexpensive and affordable for everyone. Therefore, we will develop a concept for the delivery of education vouchers. The expenses of the vouchers will be charged to the regular budget of Adult Education Liechtenstein. They will be distributed generously, also after the project ends. The targeted marketing and PR campaign is an important component of the project. The working groups of providers and teachers/trainers commit themselves to participate in the monitoring and evaluation of the measures.

The target groups are people with German mother tongue which have deficits in basic skills (with or without school leaving qualification) and persons with an immigrant background and lack of basic skills.

The impact envisaged is to realise in the medium to long-term a balanced and comprehensive basic skills education program for adults on a national level.

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DESCRIPTION: The number of adults taking part in adult education and training is quite high in Luxembourg but some courses (individual educational offers) are inadequate. In addition, the opportunities of professional development for adult trainers are not in line with the needs of the education and training centres and some target groups are underrepresented (unqualified and disadvantaged people). This is why among the priorities for 2012-2014 this project tackles the following specific priority domains: 1) increase the educational demand, notably for disadvantaged people and for adults in general; 2) promote flexible learning pathways; 3) improve adults' competencies in reading, writing and numeracy and improve the quality of education and training.

The actions which will allow to meet the above-mentioned challenges are:

- the implementation of new flexible and personalized learning mechanisms, allowing adults to complete an individual training pathway in view of their access to a qualifying and guided training, to be prepared for official competitions, and to acquire basic competencies or skills for professional promotion;
- the development of a national framework of basic competencies for adults and the promotion of basic training offers among institutions and social services as well as among the potential learners;
- the implementation of actions increasing the visibility and quality of adult education and training. As regards visibility, promotional activities will be undertaken in different contexts and in collaboration with the coordinators from other European countries. With reference to quality, the focus will be on the creation of a coherent and flexible mechanism for the professional development of adult trainers, thus answering the educational organisations' needs from the public and private sector.

The impact foreseen is the increase in the participation and quality in adult education as well as the diversification of the educational offer.

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| TITLE: | HR - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: The main motivation for planning activities and creating the project is current low participation in adult learning in Croatia (Eurostat). Republic of Croatia is lagging behind compared to developed EU countries regarding participation of adults in different forms of learning. Much needs to be done to raise public awareness about the importance of lifelong learning and to build synergy among all stakeholders with the aim to create effective adult learning system in Croatia.
The project in Croatia will motivate stakeholders to take an active role in developing adult education system and policy and will also contribute to develop adult learning in Croatia in line with the European Agenda for Adult Learning, especially to:

- foster greater awareness among adults that learning is a lifelong endeavour which they should pursue at regular intervals during their lives, and particularly during periods of unemployment or career transition;
- promote the role of social partners and civil society in articulating training needs and developing learning opportunities for adults, as well as optimise the involvement of central, regional and local authorities;
- involve social partners and raise their awareness of the benefits, also to them, of learning in the workplace, including basic skills provision;
- foster greater awareness among employers that adult learning contributes to promoting productivity, competitiveness, creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship, and is an important factor in enhancing the employability and labour market mobility of their employees.

The milestones of the project are:

- Printing of promotional materials: brochures, leaflets, posters and purchase of other promotional items. (September- November, 2012);
- Creation of a new website: obrazovanje-odraslih.hr (March 2013);
- Coordinating meetings (December 2012, September 2013, May 2014);
- Panels titled "I know so I can" (January 2013 - December 2013);
- Study visits to Austria (May 2013);
- Study trip to Ireland (March 2014);
- 2 sets of workshops for drafting program for the acquisition of key competencies. (January, April 2014);
- Promotional video and audio material, broadcasting on national and local media (February 2013-June 2014);
- Printing of manual with the conclusions and recommendations for the development of adult education policy-500 copies (June 2014);
- Final international conference on "Europe of knowledge and the role of adult education" in which the results and conclusions of the project will be presented (July 2014).

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TITLE: NO - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: Adequate provision of Basic Skills Training (BST) for adults is one of the main conditions for the successful implementation of national policies for lifelong learning. Norway has put in place a number of measures to ensure that low qualified adults are able to take "one step up" in their qualifications, but the provision of BST is still fragmented into different sectors and areas of responsibility and its quality, although assumed to be relatively good, is not ensured by any national quality system. Some of the sectors involved have put in place a system for accreditation of providers and measures to ensure the initial training and continued professional development of BS teachers, but we lack a consistent quality framework.

Creating a complete Quality Framework for this sector of AL is not possible within the scope of this project, but, in line with the intentions of this restricted call, the Norwegian National Coordinator aims at:

- Establishing a consensus among all sectors and stakeholders involved about the need to focus on quality of provision for BST;
- Identifying the most urgent issues and the possibilities for synergy between initiatives in the different sectors;
- Coordinating the efforts of all stakeholders with the aim of creating the first draft of a road map called "Towards a Quality Framework for Basic Skills Training Provision in all sectors of Norwegian Adult learning".

The activities of the project group will include:

- Identify representatives from all involved sectors and stakeholders and invite them to contribute to a National Task Force group;
- Identify and seek to involve experts from European countries that have already created partial or total Quality Frameworks in this field;
- Both contribute to and profit from the parallel work done within the Commission's Thematic Working Group for Quality in Adult Learning, as well as keep an open line towards all other NC to profit from possible cooperation;
- Organise at least two international gatherings during the project's life to create an arena for dissemination of results, benchmarking and discussions;
- Draft a Road Map identifying the steps needed to develop a National Quality Framework for Adults Basic Skills.

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TITLE: LV - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: Although Latvian government has actively stimulated adult learning by implementation of different programmes and instruments, the participation rate of adults of age 25-64 in lifelong learning in Latvia has declined from 7.1% in 2008 to 5.0% in 2010. In order to reach the ET2020 objective of 15% of adult participate in learning, there is a strong need for more coherent lifelong learning policy communication between partners at national and regional (local) level. In addition, more information for inhabitants should be provided about opportunities to take part in a learning process and available funds & instruments, especially for those with low education level that are the most difficult to reach. The project will simultaneously raise the awareness of the European Agenda for Adult Learning priorities in a wide range of settings – national ministries, NGO, social partners, local governments and residents – through the national and regional seminars.

The project objectives are:

- To strengthen cooperation with and between local governments in implementing the Agenda of Adult Learning and the national lifelong learning strategy,
- To create fora for policy makers and stakeholders to regularly exchange views on policy challenges and opportunities,
- To disseminate to residents information about existing instruments through the National information point (hosted by the Ministry of Education and Science).

The target groups of the project are:

1) National ministries involved in the implementation of the adult learning policy, 2) local governments that are by the Education Law entitled to ensure implementation of the national adult learning policy, 3) NGOs and social partners that are working in the field of adult learning. The mentioned target groups will be reached through the national fora where policy issues on adult learning will be discussed as well as through five regional seminars and national conference where good practice examples will be presented and taken into consideration.

2) Adults, especially low skilled and low qualified that have limited access to information about opportunities to participate in adult learning will be able to visit the newly established section of adult learning in the information centre of the Ministry of Education and Science.

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TITLE: DE - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: In Germany the coordination point will be based at the National Agency "Education for Europe" at the Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (NA / BIBB).

Through the creation of a coordination point and the implementation of all actions foreseen, the goals of the Agenda for Adult Learning will become better known to the public.

In order to reach these goals, a range of events have been foreseen including the organisation of national and international conferences, expert meetings and regional meetings with the participation of important multipliers and stakeholders. With the support of media, electronic tools (website, newsletter), and the production of own publications, information about the Agenda will reach a wider audience. A detailed calendar of events containing information about all planned national and international conferences and their outcomes as well as about all mechanisms in the field of political education related to the Agenda, will be published on the website. A national support group composed of representatives of Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and Federal States (KMK) will be established.

The coordination point will play the role of an ambassador for the concept of Adult learning. For the period 2012 – 2014, literacy and basic education are set as a priority. The planned conference will focus also on the topic of basic education.

The activities of the coordination point are open to all the actors from the field of adult learning policy in Germany. Adult learners should be addressed directly concerning the goals of the Agenda related to labour market and personal development, an aspect that will increase their participation in adult learning.

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| TITLE: | IE - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: Ireland proposes to implement the European Agenda for Adult Learning through three interlinked projects which together will serve to increase awareness of adult learning as part of lifelong learning at both national and local levels.

Alongside an increase in unemployment, people need to upskill throughout their lives to access future employment opportunities and to participate more fully in society. In Ireland, we want to increase awareness of both the need for and availability of adult education. Under the Agenda, we have devised three projects which together will help achieve this aim. They are:

- An online calendar of events;
- A referral service for people wanting to undertake adult education;
- A scheme to appoint Learner Ambassadors. The aim of the project is to promote adult learning at both a national and local level.

We propose to develop these projects in conjunction with AONTAS – the National Adult Learning Organisation, NALA – the National Adult Literacy Agency and the Irish Vocational Education Association (IVEA, representing Vocational Education Committees) well as other national, regional and local networks and stakeholders. We will build on work already done in this area – for example, we have toolkits and manuals for Learner Ambassadors from a project funded under Grundtvig – but also create these new initiatives on a sustainable basis.

The online calendar (which will be accompanied by a launch event, a marketing campaign and advertising through social media) will provide information on local events in local communities and give those communities an opportunity to publicise their events. The referral service will give learners another route through which they can find the right learning opportunity for them. The Learner Ambassadors and its sister programme, the “Encourage a Learner” programme, will publicise both of these projects while also giving people an opportunity to take inspiration and take that first step into learning.

These projects are mutually reinforcing and sustaining. They will be co-ordinated in their development to ensure maximum efficiency and effectiveness.

While these initiatives are targeted at all learners, those with less than upper second level education and the unemployed, in particular the long-term unemployed are a priority group. We hope that we can increase participation amongst the priority groups in adult education and to help build the image of adult education as a separate and distinct sector. This strategic objective fits well with domestic developments in the further education and training sector, namely, the establishment of a new further education and training authority – SOLAS.

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| TITLE: | ES - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: According to 2010 statistics, 28,6% of the Spanish population between the age of 18 and 24 years old had not completed secondary education and therefore had not obtained the Lower Compulsory Secondary Education Certificate. They had not participated in any other kind of education or training.

The national and regional educational administrations, aware of the problem, have developed flexible arrangements adapted to different training needs to allow these people to obtain this certificate and others. However, many possible beneficiaries don't know about the different pathways they can follow.

The aim of the project is to address the national and regional challenge of low education attainment levels in order to increase the quality of the workforce, foster social and human development and empower adults to advance in life. A means to achieve this goal is to increase the number of people who obtain the Lower Compulsory Secondary Education Certificate.

Two main problems have been detected that are an obstacle to successfully achieve that goal: lack of information about the opportunities available and lack of a good selection of materials to help learners to get prepared for the test that leads to the certificate.

In order to tackle these obstacles, during the two -years project we aim at creating an intuitive easily accessible Website which would contain comprehensive information about the different pathways that lead to certificates, and a resources bank of training materials to help potential learners to gain or boost the necessary skills and competences to obtain the certificate. The resultant materials would be uploaded in the Website.

The target group would be the Spanish nationals and residents who have not obtained the above mentioned certificate. In other words, early school leavers, young people not in education, employment or training (NEETs) and low-qualified adults.

We expect this project to help increase the number of learners who obtain a formal certificate and, on the long term, to keep these people in education and make easier for them to find or hold a job.

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TITLE: EE - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: The reason for this project is to enable and support the achievement of several goals set for adult learning.

First, while the EU target for adult-learning participation by 2020 is 15%, Estonian target is significantly higher - 20% (National Reform Programme "ESTONIA 2020").

Second goal also comes from National Reform Programme and aims to boost economy's competitiveness by reducing the number of adults at the labour market with general education (general secondary education, basic education or a lower level of education) but without specialised professional or vocational education. In 2010 this rate was 32% in 2010, for 2020 the target is 30%.

Third goal is set by the Development Plan of Estonian Adult Education and aims at making the management of the sector more effective and inclusive of parties. Government's Office audit in 2010 concluded that more cooperation is needed to govern the adult learning sector effectively.

The project provides awareness raising activities about adult learning in general and about the European Agenda for Adult Learning. By bringing together stakeholders and providing a discussion forum, the project improves the coordination and management of the sector of adult-learning. Implementation of the project will bring the following results:

- More intense and effective cooperation and among all stakeholders of adult learning: policy makers, ministries, other public authorities, local governments, employers and providers;
- Comprehensive system/methodology for supporting the participation of adults with lower level of education and skills in lifelong learning;
- Raised awareness about the European Agenda of Adult Learning, EQF, Recommendation on Key Competences and other EU tools and guidelines;
- Better knowledge and wider use of existing EU tools such as EQF, Key Competences Framework, etc.

The project is targeted at the adults with lower levels of education and without any special professional or vocational education, but also at policy makers on different levels, employers and providers of adult learning and other stakeholders.

Various methods for the dissemination of the project and the results will be used. First of all a special webpage (linked to the ministries webpage www.hm.ee) will be created.

A project booklet, that includes information about the project and information about the existing EU tools and guidelines (EQF, Recommendations on Key Competences etc) will be printed and disseminated at the seminars in different regions and also at special Learning Buss events. Press-releases and articles in local newspapers will also be published. A final dissemination seminar will be organised to present the results of the project to the participants but also to the wider public.

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| TITLE: | RO - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: National Qualifications Authority (ANC), in its capacity as National Coordinator for the Adult Learning Agenda has decided to submit this project as part of its efforts to increase the very low rate of participation in adult learning in Romania – 1.3% in 2010, according to the country fact sheet published by DG Regional Policy. The very low participation rate in adult training in Romania clearly indicates that there is a need to develop a continuing training culture in our country and to raise awareness on its importance not only amongst the primary beneficiaries – the unemployed and job-seekers – but also amongst the key stakeholders involved in the field, both at the level of public authorities and of sectoral committees, employers, training providers etc. Such ambitious shift in the public mindset requires efforts both at policy and decision-making level and at provider and beneficiary level, which triggers a two-fold approach: on the one hand international networking to learn from the best practice experiences of other European countries and on the other hand, national awareness raising campaign and regional workshops to discuss the most suitable actions for a Romanian Adult Training Action Plan with all stakeholders involved.

The main results of the project will consist in the awareness campaign and the website dedicated to adult learning, the conclusions of the transnational cooperation activities that will inform the national plan on adult learning, the glossary of terms and good practice, and the recommendations on national initiatives related to adult learning.

The target groups are grouped in two levels:

- institutions as national agencies/organisations, specialised departments within ministries or other local public services involved directly or indirectly in adult learning; sectoral committees, professional associations, authorised training providers, employers at local and regional levels, NGOs – social partners and stakeholders;
- individuals as unemployed people, low-skilled workers, job-seekers, potential participants in adult learning with a focus on older adults.

All these categories of direct beneficiaries will be reached by regular information on the project progress published on the project website; participation of those directly involved in the project in the conferences, peer-learning and study visits organised by other national coordinators; direct access, through the project website, to all materials produced within the project.

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TITLE: IT - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: The project was conceived to address the need of raising awareness on the issues and policies of lifelong learning among the public and private operators, the social partners, enterprises, and third sector operators.

It aims to achieve:

- a communication campaign online on the issues of the Adult Learning, addressed in particular to the targets mentioned above (this activity will be ongoing for the duration of the project and will also aim to support the publicity of the events described below);
- a database (continuously updated and searchable) to display on the site Europolavoro MLPS, collecting a repertory of the possible experiences in the field of Adult Learning (also in order to integrate the future EPALe - Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe - active from 2014 as a platform for exchange of information among the national coordinators);
- activity of territorial animation, communication and promotion of networks through the creation of focus groups and three national conferences on the following themes: 1) The promotion and dissemination of ICT in the Adult Learning L, 2) The Adult Learning and non-formal and informal learning; 3) the Adult Learning for active citizenship and social equity;
- a report to the European Commission on the outcomes of the activities, also in relation to the new SEF programming 2014-2020.

The proposal, in addition to the objective of encouraging the debate and a stronger commitment and cooperation between stakeholders and operators, will identify and disseminate experiences and best practices promoting their transferability in disadvantaged areas.

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TITLE: MT - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: The National Coordinator in Malta aims to organise a number of actions with the intention of:

- Raising awareness of the European Agenda for Adult learning in Malta with a focus on promoting basic skills among adults;
- Networking with different stakeholders (government, private and informal and non formal sector) in the adult education sector to raise awareness as well as to encourage more low skilled or low qualified adults (employed, unemployed and inactive) to participate in lifelong learning to upgrade their skills and educational level;
- Collaborating with the various stakeholders to identify the low skilled and/or low qualified adults, their training needs, and to develop actions to motivate them to participate in learning basic skills;
- Investing in capacity building related to basic skills actions for key stakeholders;
- Sharing own successes and initiatives for validating adult education courses at Levels 1 and 2 of the Malta Qualifications Network;
- Participating in relevant transnational Peer Learning Activities organised by other National Coordinators to share experiences.

Project activities will include:

- 2 conferences: first to launch the European Agenda on Adult Learning; and a final conference at end of project;
- A committee to map present state of formal, informal and non formal adult learning provision;
- Network of Stakeholders in Adult Learning for Basic Skills – with 3 subgroups 1) for public entities, 2) for private work sector 3) for adult education providers (formal, informal and non formal);
- Mapping of Adult education providers and adults taking part in lifelong learning across the various sectors in basic skills;
- Campaign materials to be used by employers and other organisations to promote action by employers and NGOs as part of corporate social responsibility to promote lifelong learning, especially among low skilled and low qualified workers;
- Programme for Recognition of best practice;
- Capacity building through a training programme related to upskilling of adults in basic skills;
- A 2-day Peer Learning Activity for other Member States on validating of adult education courses in basic skills and VET at levels 1 and 2;
- Participation on PLAs organised by the Member States.

The expected impact is: networking between different stakeholders, greater awareness of the European Agenda on Adult learning and promotion of basic skills training; greater understanding of existing adult education at national level, and a greater number of adults (low-skilled and/or low qualified workers, unemployed and inactive people) engaged in lifelong learning.

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TITLE: BG - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: The project proposal has been developed in response to the real challenges and the urgent need in Bulgaria to improve the participation of adults in lifelong learning, as it continues to be the lowest among the EU member states (1.2% for 2011). The project proposes solutions to the existing governance problems by means of setting up a national system of coordinated interaction among all stakeholders and the development of specific mechanisms and instruments for monitoring and assessment of the progress in the adult learning sector. The interrelated activities under the project will, for the first time in Bulgaria, create prerequisites for the introduction of systematic approach towards institutionalisation of cooperation among the stakeholders at all levels. Proposals for amendments and supplements to the legal basis, regulating the adult learning sector both horizontally and vertically will be prepared.

The envisaged analysis of the current situation in the adult learning sector will be the foundation for not only the formulation of specific policies, but also for planning future corrective actions. The setting up of a new governance body - the National Council for Adult Learning - will contribute to the democratic sharing of responsibilities among the stakeholders. The introduction of a national system for monitoring, with the respective methodology, will guarantee transparency of the processes and precise accountability for rational utilization of public resources towards achievement of better effectiveness and efficiency in the sector. An intensive awareness-raising campaign will be launched for communicating the advantages of the targeted policies, as well as the envisaged substantial social impact of the process. The development will be focused on low-qualified workers, persons with literacy problems, elderly people and other representatives of disadvantaged groups. The portfolio for adult learning, established under the project, will be innovative in its proposed activities for Bulgaria. The electronic portal for processing and dissemination of data and analytical information on adult learning will be constructed on the official web site of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Science.

For identification of the situation in the adult learning sector six focus groups of different stakeholders groups will be formed. A study will be conducted, as well as direct consultations in order to precisely assess the effects the policy for adult learning would produce on the interests of the stakeholders. A series of consultations regarding the model for monitoring of the adult learning sector will be organised -two round tables are envisaged to discuss it. An electronic forum for consultations will be constructed and maintained so that a broader circle of stakeholders could be reached.

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| TITLE: | UK - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: The National Coordinator role in the UK is to coordinate actions of the ministries, providers, guidance and validation centres and associations, sensitise them to European policies, wider national policies and good practices in other countries, raise awareness of adult learning and give a higher profile to their combined activities in this area. The focus will be on increased participation of low skilled or low qualified adults in learning and develop their skills through an effective programme of integrated support across the UK. NIACE will take a UK-wide approach to this coordination role, fully involving all administrations across the four countries. To ensure synergies and the best value added, we will link activities and work-packages to UK government priorities for lifelong learning and our strategic plan.

There will be five work-packages (WP)

- policy, advocacy, programme management and evaluation;
- skills and capabilities for life and living;
- learning in communities, citizenship and civic engagement;
- learning in and for work;
- awareness raising, knowledge sharing and transnational liaison.

NIACE will use a combination of new project activities and established campaigns, events and publications to raise awareness of the issues to encourage national debates around adult learning policy.

NIACE will organise three prominent annual campaigns over the life of the project: Quick Reads, The Skills Show and Adult Learners' Week, the UK's largest festival of learning which engages 100,000 learners every year. These campaigns will include additional activities to promote and raise awareness of the European Agenda. Our flagship journal, Adults Learning, will include a quarterly newsletter on a European campaign which will be generated from a UK sounding board group, convened to address issues pertinent to the European Agenda. We will also use our regular news bulletin for NIACE members to raise awareness and to garner additional support from our members and their networks. We will run quarterly policy conferences with invitations extended to national coordinators across Europe and members of the European Commission as well as key officials and stakeholders based in the UK. These events will create forums providing opportunities to discuss and improve coherence between policies across Europe. We will undertake research to identify gaps in current EU activity and research and develop (transnational) projects to explore ways to fill these gaps.

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| TITLE: | PL - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: Despite the Polish achievements in the EU in the area of education of youth, adult participation in education and training still remains low and it has not changed for many years. This is particularly true for adults in non-formal education and older people, especially those economically inactive. Meanwhile, the scale of social changes, especially demographic shifts and changes on the labour market creates a need of a greater focus on adult education, with a special emphasis on non-formal education. This requires addressing additional areas within the policy that led to the significant progress in the field of formal education of youth in recent years. More stakeholders need to be involved, also from outside the education system. The system itself needs more flexibility and its institutions need to fully acknowledge and make use of non-formal and informal learning for meeting their goals.

The expected results of the project are:

- Improved communication and active involvement of stakeholders relevant for adult learning. Improved cooperation of stakeholders involved in formal and non-formal education of adults.
- High quality public debate concerning the broader context of the pension system reform with a special focus on competences and qualifications essential for supporting the competitiveness of older people on the labour market.

Products resulting from the activities will include a guidebook for adult learning providers and an internet portal, designed as a web page subordinated to the one already established and devoted to the national LLL policy.

The direct target group will be all relevant stakeholders of adult learning acting at the national and regional levels, especially those involved in education incentives aimed at the low qualified and disadvantaged adults.

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TITLE: CY - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: This project is seen as an excellent opportunity for enhancing the cooperation and the effective liaison between the relevant stakeholders (national coordinator, social partners, non-governmental and civil society organisations) that are active in the field of Adult Learning at national and European level. In addition, it provides the opportunity to adults to get informed about the Agenda and the educational opportunities that they have.

Several activities will be undertaken during the project such as Conferences, Information Days, Peer Learning Activities and publication materials will be developed (leaflets, booklets, guides and manuals). These activities will enable the better implementation of the project and also enhance the participation of all stakeholders and eventually the achievement of the project aims.

The project intends to support activities which that will help raise awareness and increase participation in education and training of individuals, with an emphasis on those from vulnerable social groups, especially senior citizens, so as to inform them about the opportunities they have for further education and training in all sectors throughout Cyprus. The project will also address other vulnerable social groups (e.g. illiterate and digital illiterate adults, early school leavers, young unemployed people, low-qualified adults). All the above groups will have the chance to get informed about the educational opportunities they have and about the ways and the processes that will enhance their participation. Finally, the project will address the adult learning staff which works with vulnerable social groups regarding their education, their competences and their skills.

The project is expected to contribute to the better awareness of the adult population in Cyprus about the priorities of the European Agenda for Adult Learning and to increase their participation in lifelong learning opportunities, enhancing in this way their personal and professional development and social growth. Moreover, the project intends to identify basic skills deficits among the adult population in Cyprus, such as literacy and numeracy, but also digital skills and bring all the relevant stakeholders together in order to suggest solutions to overcome them. It should be noted that the project is expected to promote the debate and the exchange of good practices on how to better secure the participation of disadvantaged groups in adult education opportunities. The project will also achieve awareness raising and stronger commitment of all relevant actors and stakeholders to enhance cooperation and stronger links between them both at national and European level.

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| REFERENCE: | 374730-LLP-1-2012-1-PT-GRUNDTVIG-AL_AGENDA |
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TITLE: PT - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: The main goals and expected outcomes of the project are to improve the level of participation and qualification of the adult population, so as to achieve the benchmark defined by ET 2020, i.e., 15% of adult participation in lifelong learning. Over the last years Portugal has made a strong investment in qualifying the adult population. However, many adults do not participate in education and training activities or are still low-qualified. It is worth noting that some of them do not have the basic competences (such as literacy and numeracy) to engage in learning processes. People in risk of social exclusion, older adults and people with disabilities are examples of groups which face this problem. That is why the target groups of this project correspond to the groups mentioned above.

The impact envisaged by this proposal is related to an increasing participation of adults in lifelong learning, namely through formal, non-formal and informal education. Moreover, this project wants to promote active citizenship, social cohesion and personal development in order to enhance the motivation to participate in other learning activities.

The activities proposed intend to involve education and training providers, stakeholders, businesses, civil society organisations and older adults. The main activities in this project are the meetings at local level, where good practices will be exchanged and relevant information will be gathered, the organisation of surveys, which will allow us to collect data, and the final seminar, which will focus on the results of the project as far as the target groups defined are concerned.

To support the project, the following products are planned: a leaflet/poster, a website and an e-Guide which will present recommendations and good practices to be shared at national level with a view to fostering lifelong learning participation in Portugal.

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| TITLE: | SK - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: The motivation for the project comes from the need to intensify communication, cooperation and partnership between the stakeholders relevant for adult learning. Our priority is integration and coordination of key topics in the area of adult learning at national and regional levels. At present, Slovakia is missing an integrated platform for relevant stakeholders and their communication, therefore many ideas and successful activities are not well known.

Through this project we try to support the stakeholders and other relevant entities in the field of adult learning in their efforts to increase individual motivation for adult learning. The National Lifelong Learning Institute can focus stakeholders' attention on effective communication strategies and of the European agenda and policy.

This project focuses on the need for innovation on ways to communicate key issues in adult learning in Slovak Republic. The National Lifelong Learning Institute is participating actively with an innovative portal designed to reach all relevant stakeholders at their place and to have all relevant information at one place as well as with other innovative actions in the project. Professional staff has good opportunity to cooperate with stakeholders and experts involved in all project activities.

The project consists of five specific activities closely related, targeting the main national, regional and local stakeholders involved in adult learning:

- Creation of web portal for Adult learning – “meeting point” of all other activities;
- Online version of newsletter “Adult learning” – innovative method on how to get involved in information distribution;
- Participation in international / foreign conference – opportunity to be inspired, to communicate with other countries;
- Organization of home seminars and conference – best way on how to reach regional stakeholders with project (and also European) goals;
- Innovative Centre of Adult Learning – Observatory on adult learning – designed for innovative technologies and instruments in adult learning.

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| REFERENCE: | 374732-LLP-1-2012-1-AT-GRUNDTVIG-AL_AGENDA |
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TITLE: AT - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: Priorities for the implementation of the European Agenda are set on the following themes:

- Quality and efficiency in adult learning
- Achievement of lifelong learning through establishing a system for validating non-formal and informal learning

Educational initiatives for people with a low level of initial education and disadvantaged groups will be implemented corresponding to their needs. In addition, a system of recognition of their learning achievements will be developed.

In the thematic area of improvement of the quality, a Peer Learning Activity (PLA) will be implemented in cooperation with a thematic working group which was created especially for this reason at European level. Within this activity, the Austrian quality initiatives will be presented and compared with examples of initiatives from other EU-countries. To use the outcomes of the PLA in Austria in an optimal way, an exchange with stakeholders from the field has been foreseen (federal states, social partners, umbrella organisation in the field of adult learning etc.), as well as a conference aiming at developing recommendations for further strategic and educational changes in approaches.

Within the project which gives special attention to validation of non-formal and informal education, structures and models which have not been enough used in the past should be implemented. To assure the validation of non-formal and informal learning processes, there will be seven working groups created, in which important representatives of federal ministries, social partners, labour market service, etc. will participate. The preparation of the topics will be complemented by a call for papers, position papers, scientific discussions and model suggestions. A summary of the process containing an agreement on elements and key points will be developed during a two-day long expert conference. The goal is to achieve a commitment among different stakeholders at the end of the project and therefore to be able to develop concrete political recommendation.

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| TITLE: | SE - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: The objectives of the project are:

- To organise three Open Space Technology meetings (OST-meetings), and two supporting webinars, and offer the participating municipalities information on the key objectives of the European Agenda and the European tools. Participants should also exchange information on how to reach low qualified adults, and develop their working methods on how to reach and motivate these groups.
- To give information on the European Agenda for Adult Learning and the European tools, in order to implement them, and integrate them into a national context.
- To support the development of adult education organisations in terms of reaching a larger proportion of low qualified adults, by providing a targeted group of municipalities with a forum for exchange of good practices and discussion.
- To support the development of how the participating municipalities can organise adult education and improve existing methods in order to best meet the needs of each student in heterogeneous groups.

The participating municipalities will be encouraged to exchange experiences on how to improve methods that aim at identifying and reaching low qualified adults, and motivate potential learners to participate in adult education. They will gain a thorough knowledge of the European Agenda and the European tools, and a clear idea of how to further the use of these recommendations and tools. They will establish a network that can foster on going development and continue after the project has expired. Municipalities will also have the opportunity to discuss and develop their working methods on how they can organise adult education, so as to best meet individual needs in heterogeneous groups.

The target groups are those responsible for adult education at local level, e.g. principal organisers, head teachers, guidance counsellors and/or development leaders, with special responsibility for municipal basic adult education, adult education at basic level for individuals with learning disabilities, and Swedish for Immigrants.

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TITLE: TR - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: Taking into consideration the demographic figures and labour force statistics of Turkey, opportunities and important risks are seen simultaneously. Turkey has one of the biggest populations in Europe which can be an opportunity for social development. However, Turkey has also the risk of missing this opportunity unless necessary progress on education and training, including adult education / lifelong learning has been achieved. This main aim of this project is to improve LLL culture and increasing awareness of adult education through seminars, symposium, trainings, brochures etc. during the project lifespan which is 24 months.

The following activities are planned:

- The project will start by analysing the current situation LLL participation rates and training needs analysis. According to the result of this analysis a report will be prepared and published and also will be announced in a National symposium to all relevant parties including decision makers. This will support decision makers to make new strategies and policies on adult education and improving LLL culture in Turkey.

- Non-formal training institution managers who have been newly appointed from 81 provinces will be reached through Seminars on adult education as they do not have specific experience in adult education. By this activity, it is aimed to increase their awareness and commitment to spreading lifelong learning culture in their provinces. They are playing an important role being the first cycle in adult education.

- Two spot films on adult education will be prepared and broadcasted on national TV Channels which will be drawing many people's attention on the importance of adult education and how their life could improve through education.

- 8100 unemployed adult particularly women from 81 provinces will be reached through Seminars on adult education. These people do not have enough information about the learning opportunities in their provinces and the institutions providing adult education. 25% of these participants are planned to be representatives of social partners, which work in the field of education particularly in adult education. Through this, the awareness of social partner representatives will be increased and social partners will play an important role in dissemination of the seminars on adult education.

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| TITLE: | FI - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: There is a growing concern about those who do not attend education after basic education (early leavers). In Finland, the fact that several thousand young people do not continue studies immediately after basic education, or drop out of the studies, has led to the situation that there are about 110 000 young adults (aged 20-29) without any qualification after basic education. In order to decrease these numbers, the government has decided to increase intake especially for this group in adult VET.

Support would be in need for finding, motivating and training these low qualified adults. This group is very challenging both to reach and as students. There may be problems in motivation as well as in basic skills needed for studies. There is a need to generally raise awareness of the existence of this group, raise awareness among this group about the possibilities of adult education and give them special support, to support education providers and to involve organisations and social partners.

Main target groups are the low qualified (only basic education) adults, especially 20-29 year old and stakeholders: education providers, social partners, employers.

The overall goal is to raise awareness among the low qualified adults about the possibilities of adult education (especially vocational), to increase their participation and to develop their skills. In order to reach this, the project aims at:

- motivating and supporting adults without qualification to participate in training and improving their skills;
- supporting vocational education providers in reaching the target group, in guiding and recruiting them and in training them;
- increasing awareness of possibilities to validate one's prior learning and to develop further the systems of identification and validation especially for low qualified adults with possible special needs;
- enhancing dialogue between policy makers, organisations and social partners to create a common understanding about the educational needs of low qualified adults, the ways to improve their education and training, and the role of stakeholders;
- supporting social partner and stakeholders to carry out guidance and counselling programmes;
- raising awareness among employers about possibilities to train employees and recruit new ones eg. through apprenticeship training.

The project activities include methods of awareness raising, disseminating and developing practices, of involving stakeholders, studying and following progress towards aims, and from learning from other countries.

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TITLE: LT - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: During the recent years, active efforts have been undertaken to promote adult education in Lithuania. As a result, the country has witnessed quite a few progressive trends and positive changes. However Lithuania has not yet achieved the goals in adult education, which in turn impedes the development of knowledge economy and bettering the quality of life. In the current stage, in particular considering the adoption of the European Agenda, new political initiatives should be developed and further guidelines of developing lifelong learning drafted. Challenges, such as the recognition of competencies acquired in an informal way, implementation of more flexible funding models, promotion of cooperation between various levels of educational institutions and employers, inclusion of excluded groups into adult education and other relevant problems should be further discussed. Social partners and experts should be involved in drafting the national guidelines on LLL policy for the immediate future, so that they match the European trends and are in line with the other strategies of national education and social policies, e.g. Strategy Lithuania 2030.

The project activities are to:

- Analyse the experience gained during the implementation of 2008 – 2012 LLL Strategy and develop the national LLL Guidelines up to 2020, reviewing the national legal acts relevant for their implementation;
- Promote interinstitutional dialogue by holding a series of seminars and conferences with social partners on various challenges of adult education aiming to promote interinstitutional synergy, openness and dialogue;
- Organise information campaign for poorly motivated adults, advocate the opportunities for adult education and lifelong learning;
- Take part in transnational activities during the implementation of the Agenda and analyse the experience of other EU member states gained in organising adult education and lifelong learning.

The project, implemented during Lithuanian's EU presidency, is believed to foster various LLL initiatives. The direct participants of the project, such as education policy makers, administrators and representatives of social partners, will acquire new experience and develop relevant competences and international cooperation, whereas access to new learning opportunities will increase adults' motivation to learn.

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TITLE: SI - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: The project has been designed with the attempt to promote the implementation of the European Agenda for Adult Learning 2012-2014 but also to support national endeavours in adult learning – at political, professional and practical level. Special emphasis will be given to the two priority areas, i.e. awareness raising and attracting low educated/skilled and deprived target groups into adult learning (AL).

The output of the first set of activities will be 14 awareness raising events (7 per year in 2013 and 2014, in May) covering all Slovenian regions. The events will be connected to the major promotional event in the country, namely the Lifelong Learning Week (LLW), and to other AL networks (e.g. Lifelong Learning Centres). Through this project and in cooperation with regional coordinators, we will organise two series of 7 events, named Learning parade – days of learning communities. Each event will consist of a festival in a public place where (potential) learners and AL providers from all walks of life will demonstrate adult learning possibilities and achievements. In addition, there will be a formal event at each venue, bringing together various stakeholders – beside the before mentioned, local and national policy makers, various professionals and other interested parties will take part.

Related to the Learning parade will be the work towards a definition of ‘a learning community’ (at various levels) being a result of discussions of different stakeholders as well as analyses of literature and examples of learning communities in Slovenia and abroad.

The output of the second set of activities will be four video DVDs presenting activities and results of the implementation of an educational programme for the unemployed, the implementation of non-formal learning (rural literacy programme, study circle), AL information & guidance and validation of non-formal learning, as well as promotion of AL via stories of outstanding learners.

Both activities will be supported by ICT-based products – the Parade’s website/calendar, blog for participants, connection to Facebook and other social media, and an e-bulletin documenting the happenings through the eyes of participants of the Learning parade. Finally, an e-corner for adult learning will be set up to promote ICT-based learning.

The target groups are mentioned in detail with regard to each activity; in brief, the project is envisaged to involve them all, i.e. representatives of AL policy, profession and practice, learners, media, the widest audience, however, with special focus on people with low educational achievements and skills, therefore classical outreach activities (e.g. personal contacts, local TV via videos, circular letters, etc.) as well as ICT-based ones will be used. The envisaged impact will be greater awareness on the importance, opportunities and omnipresence of adult learning as well as greater awareness on policy measures at all levels.

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TITLE: IS - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING

DESCRIPTION: A new act on Adult Education was adopted by the Icelandic Parliament in 2010 (Act Nr. 27/2010). With its adoption the Icelandic authorities confirmed their lifelong learning strategy, underlining the importance of providing second chance opportunities to education for the vast number of people in the labour market without formal education at upper secondary level. This act addresses the learning needs of this target group, defining the target group, specifying the organization of adult learning in Iceland, certification of curricula in adult learning, recognition of providers, financing and recognition of non-formal and informal learning, as well as quality assurance within adult education.

The new act brings on new tasks for implementation of adult education provision in Iceland and its connection to the European Agenda for Adult Learning. It calls for close cooperation with providers in this country, 10 lifelong learning centres, as well as other possible providers of education opportunities for adults in the capital area, including those who provide learning opportunities for migrants.

The new act on adult learning needs to be seen in context with other measures that have already been decided on by the Government, such as the 2020 Policy Statement (<http://eng.forsaetisraduneyti.is/iceland2020/>) which, amongst other benchmarks, envisages the lowering of the percentage of those without formal qualifications at upper secondary level from 30% to 10% by the year 2020. There is also the project Education for Employment (Nám er vinnandi vegur) which includes financing of particular measures aimed at strengthening VET and adult learning with funds of 1.850.000 euros for 2012 and the same amount for 2013. The project foresees closer ties to colleagues in other European countries and sharing of information on adult learning.

Seminars will be organized in major areas in Iceland in cooperation with providers where issues and challenges will be raised, measures taken will be introduced, how they are connected to the national strategy on lifelong learning and to the European Agenda for Adult Learning. Responsibility for organizing seminars will be given to individual lifelong learning centres to secure their full involvement in the project.

Target groups are Lifelong learning centres in the whole country, formal education institutions, regional authorities, guidance counsellors and the adult population at large.

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| TITLE: | DK- IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EU AGENDA FOR ADULT LEARNING |
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DESCRIPTION: Adult education and continuing training plays an essential role in Denmark. It is crucial that all adults have the possibility of participating in both formal and non-formal learning activities with the purpose of promoting lifelong learning.

It is the policy of the government to strengthen adult education and continuing training in order to promote employment, new jobs and active participation in society. Due to this fact, special attention is paid to securing a strengthened and targeted effort directed at persons in the workforce with a low level of educational attainment, who are in the greatest need of having their general and vocational skills and qualifications upgraded. As a consequence hereof, a number of activities have been initiated that aims at generating more awareness in general of adults' learning need in Denmark, and which will contribute to expanding the knowledge of the European Agenda for Adult Learning.

The project includes the following four activities:

- Disseminating the European Agenda for Adult Learning at the annual, national test- and development conference focused on vocationally oriented adult education and continuing training – December 2012;
- Organising a national learners campaign, including local activities with the purpose of increasing the awareness of adult education and continuing training as well as strengthening the cooperation between education providers in increasing the participation in adult learning – August 2013;
- Organising a national policy- and practice conference on "Basic skills and adult learning" with the purpose of bringing into focus the need for basic skills and competences – October 2013;
- Participating in international networking activities with the purpose of enabling mutual exchange of experience and best practise.

The project addresses the following target groups in particular: citizens and business, adult education centres, adult education associations, the social partners, research institutions and others.

The impact of the project is expected to be:

- Increased knowledge of the European Agenda for Adults Learning, across all relevant authorities, institutions and stakeholders involved in the adult education and continuing training;
- Adult learning is made visible to citizens and business in order to increase the interest and participation in Adult learning among persons with a low level of education attainment in particular;
- A strengthened national dialogue on the need for basic skills and competences among adults and how this effort could be further strengthened;
- Enhanced national and international exchange of experience and dissemination of best practises.

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TITLE: FR- Implementation of EU Agenda for Adult Learning

DESCRIPTION: The French actors involved in the education and continuing training of adults share the objective of the European Agenda for Adult Learning to increase the participation of less qualified adults in continuing training. Despite the existence of many schemes for the detection and support allowing many persons to access training and therefore increasing their basic competences, the identification and guidance of the persons who need it the most is still difficult, especially because of the wide range of actors and financing schemes. The objective of this project is first to implement a large scale consultation process between the main public and private actors in order to improve the access of less qualified persons to mechanisms which will allow them to acquire basic competences.

The project will focus in particular on:

- Young adults leaving the school system without qualifications therefore finding themselves without a job and without education;
- The rehabilitation of adults facing the greatest difficulties in finding a job and who are in need of support strategies and innovative financing schemes combined with the mobilisation of public, private; formal and non-formal actors for their inclusion.

In a second stage, this consultation work will be supported by meetings and observation of systems in other European countries as well as the dissemination of the most relevant experiences from France and other European countries through the publication of best practices. A mid-term conference will give the opportunity to share the observations and outcomes of the experimentations.

In a third stage, the operational committees will conduct practical experimentations with the goal to propose concrete recommendations. A review of these experimentations will be pooled during the closing seminar.

To assure the appropriation by the stakeholders, the activities of the coordinator will be implemented in consultation with the steering committee with representatives of different French actors involved in the field. The outcome of the experimentations and progress will be published on the website of the national coordinator.

The project will advance in three steps: a period of observation and consultation with the working groups, a period of implementation with the conference and finally a period of field experimentation with the operational committees.

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TITLE: GR - Implementation of the EU Agenda for Adult Learning

DESCRIPTION: Greece has one of the lowest rates of adult participation in LLL in the E.U. (3,0% in 2010, Eurostat, LFS). Adult learning policies are top-down and supply-driven. For these reasons, the New legislation 3876/2010 on LLL provision aims at decentralising the provision, networking the key providers, encouraging partnerships and the gradual devolution of VET policies to the regions and of general adult learning to the municipalities. These processes are still at an early stage of development and will be facilitated by this project.

A bottom-up approach will be initiated by creating a network of key promoters of the Renewed Agenda such as NGOs, trade unions and municipalities, with a focus on developing the adult basic skills in contemporary economy and society. In addition, concrete steps will be taken to enhance, intensify, coordinate and modernise the current "second chance" provision by increasing the volume of cooperation with European organisations to draw on successful practices.

The objectives are:

- To create a special network of key stakeholders at grassroots level to promote the need for and seek provision of modern adult basic skills in collaboration with local authorities and other social agents;
- To improve the quality of the current provision of adult learning in order to become more attractive, less time-consuming and cost effective;
- To benefit from the studies, tools and processes of the OMC, already developed at E.U level;
- To transfer and adapt concrete effective practices, where appropriate;
- To produce policy recommendations for the provision of second-chance opportunities and the acquisition of basic skills.

The project will reach the following target groups:

- Adults who have left education without basic qualifications;
- Young people not in education, employment or training (NEETs);
- Older workers who need extra qualifications and/or up-skilling to stay in the labour market;
- People in retirement who need to stay active and participate fully in contemporary complex society.

Activities will include:

- The mapping of all relevant key actors and stakeholders in a national basic skills network;
- The organisation of 11 regional seminars and 2 conferences;
- Study visits in other European countries;
- The elaboration of common policy recommendations by the stakeholders and a Roadmap for action.

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