

Newsletter from the meeting in Kedainiai

From Saturday till Sunday specialist from four different countries worked in Kedainiai Adult Education Centre, sharing their experience about job coaching possibilities for people with learning disabilities.



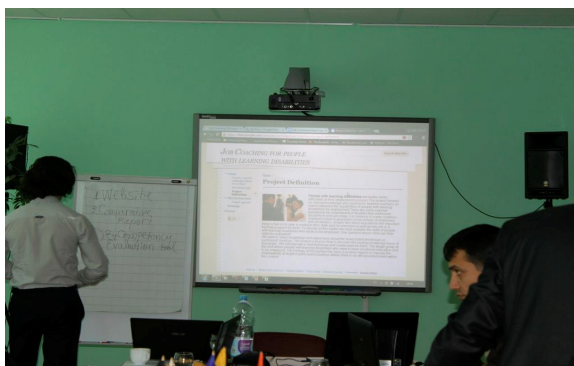
Already for the second year the Initiative „Tezaurus and Kedainiai Adult Education Centre has been participating in lifelong learning „Leonardo da Vinci“ partnerships project „Job coaching for people with learning disabilities“. The project focuses on sharing knowledge and experience among partners on how to measure the capabilities of people with learning disabilities for employment.

Five countries, i.e. England, Germany, Lithuania, Turkey and Bulgaria, participate in this project. The second meeting of the project partners, in which 16 guests from different countries participated, took place in Kedainiai. Unfortunately, partners from Bulgaria did not manage to come to the meeting.

During the meeting project partners discussed the work already done, set future project tasks. At the end of the project it is expected to publish publications and create an internet website, which would reflect the work done and which could be used by the EU countries seeking to help people with learning disabilities find employment.

Decisions Made

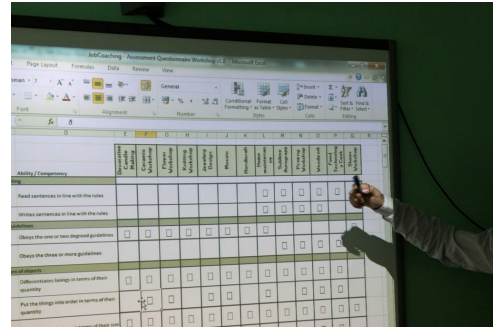
All partners voted on a number of created logos and agreed on the following one to be used for the project:



After long discussion partners agreed and eliminated the structure and general content of the project website. They discussed what would be appropriate and sufficient to include into the website, in order to attract and give as much information about the project.

The most concern and discussion was left for comparison of national legislation in every participant country and the evaluation and efficiency of the assessment tool supplied by the coordinator of the project.

There were many different opinions about this assessment tool and its effectiveness so the project members had to decide on what is to be changed and left in this supplied assessment tool matrix.



After Meeting



Kėdainiai adult educators presented the guests all-around Kėdainiai town. Organized a tour of the old town and other main attractions, presented the history and culture of the town, and treated the guest in popular cafes and restaurants.

Visits of guests from other countries make our town known, for when they return to their home countries they tell their impressions and in this way we can receive more interested visitors from other countries.

Focused and productive group work of interested countries in the field of training and educating people with learning disabilities, active cooperation of various countries and institutions in the project activities allows to get acquainted and share experiences of other countries and to disseminate knowledge and lifelong learning opportunities.

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