



Project Meeting

Austria 2016

Teachers meeting

November 22nd – 25th 2016

Say “No to NEET!”

22nd November 2016

The first teachers' meeting on Erasmus project "Say no to neet" started on 22nd November with the arrival of all the members partners. Since 8.00 in the morning the Austrian partners were waiting at the airport and, finally, at 4.30 p.m. the group was completed. There were: Anna Bazso, Irene Seier, Helmut Kainz from Austria (coordinator country) , Isabel Silva, Virginia Esteves, and Graca Claudio from Portugal, Tomek Sekyra and Monika Binkowska from Poland, Magda Ventura and Jordi Belenguer Palli from Spain, Liliana Fadda ana Giovanna Rizzo from Italy. After the arrival of all the partners everyone got a badge with his own name and nationality and the the group moved from the airport of Vienna to Grosspeterdorf, to the hosting hotel. Soon after the group started knowing each other during a typical dinner in a restaurant where they could enjoy the friendly Austrian atmosphere.



23rd November 2016

At 7.40 in the morning the host partners took all the members from the hotel to school to start working on the project. Everyone received the plan of the meeting, timetable, the schedule of expenses, and the plans of the activities of all the other meetings to be discussed in the work group. In the folder there was also an example of curriculum of career guidance.



At the arrival in the school the students of NMS Kohfidisch made a warm welcome to the hosts of the partners countries singing a song on European values, a dance against femicide, and the hymn of Europe was trumpet played by a very young boy. Mr Helmut, as Headmaster of the coordinator school introduced the main purpose of the project and gave a warm welcome to all. Then Mrs Irene Seier told about the birth of this project since the first contact on the Etwinning platform and she pointed out how good relationship of friendship were born thanks to the planning of the project, and how hard but fruitful it was the work of the responsible teachers, soon after she invited them to present their country to the audience and put a pin on an European map to show where it is situated.



After that the students were invited to go back in their classrooms and the group started from the first point of the plan: the dissemination of the project. After an intense discussion and many different proposals it was decided to create a project website, with a blog. Mrs Virginia Esteves and Mrs Irene Seier will administrate the website, create a blog where all the partners will upload project outcomes (pictures, video, files). The Etwinning platform will be used as well and the students who will join the meetings will be part of it too. Of course each partner in his own country is going to spread news of the project progresses through newspapers, broadcast and all the possible means of communication.

At this point Mrs Virginia Esteves showed to the other partners some ICT tools, in particular the ones useful for Etwinning , and it was decided to use Padlet app to post students' presentations.

Then the group discussed about the date of the second meeting, and this decision was rather difficult because of the different school calendars of the five countries, but finally all the partners agreed on the last week of March (25/3- 1/4). During this second meeting the partners should bring the logo which won the contest in their school and they will be put together to create the logo of the project. Each logo should contain flag or something

identifying the nation, and symbols of the topic of the project. It could be made by drawing, or painting or using ICT.

At this point the criteria to be used for the choice of the students joining the mobility were discussed, and it was suggested to give the opportunity to those students who will not afford a travel abroad with their families, then obviously they should have almost a basic communicative ability in English and explain the reason why they are interested in joining the project. So the group decided to create an advertisement to publish in the Erasmus corner very similar to a job advs.



24th November 2016

The second working day began with the choice of evaluation tools.

- We used monkeySurvey.com tool to create evaluation sheets for the transnational meetings and short term students` exchanges for all the project
- We also compared the career guidance curricula of each country to set up a new one to implement in our schools for the following two years as a pilot project.
- Some students in the host school described their Practical Day in a real life working environment – the day they spend getting experience is an activity integrated in their curriculum for 8th grade. We spent some time interacting with them and we got a lot of interesting feedback from them.



- A teacher gave us a tour around the classes. We had an opportunity to observe teaching practices in different lessons (P.E., Maths, English, Music) Innovative practices applied by the host school teachers such as team work, pair work, co-teaching which were highly appreciated by Erasmus partners.



- Finally, we made a thorough plan of the students' meeting in Spain:
 - ✓ We planned all the learning activities and the social programme for the next visit.
 - ✓ We also discussed the accommodation in host families and parents meetings at schools to inform about the visit.
 - ✓ Activities in Spain will be focused on getting to know each other, presenting own countries and their educational systems, a logo for the project and research different aspects of employment and career life using a variety of activities like games, interviews , role plays short talks on the European education possibilities.
- After lunch our host partners gave us a short tour of the region which included the local products and historical buildings.
- To finish the day we were invited to a farewell dinner by the local community and authority-mayor where we discussed the benefits of Erasmus



25th November 2016

The last working day started with a traditional ceremony at the local church to celebrate the beginning of Advent according to Christian tradition.

Afterwards, we began to write the transnational meeting report. We drew conclusions on our work.

In the afternoon, we visited Vienna – Christmas market and some famous sights and we concluded our working days with an informal dinner looking forward to meeting in Spain in March 2017 to continue with the project.

