

IVET-VENTURE - A participative approach to strengthen key competences of trainees

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### IVET-VENTURE project

“IVET-VENTURE - A participative approach to strengthen key competences of trainees” is the title of a new project, funded by the European Commission and coordinated by Prof. Dr. Dirk Lange at the Leibniz University Hanover, Germany. The project runs from October 2013 until September 2015.

In this transfer of innovation project, seven educational and vocational training providers out of four countries combine their expertise in the field of Initial Vocational and Educational Training (IVET). The project consortium will develop an innovative and activity-orientated approach to help acquiring and fostering key competences of trainees such as social skills and self-reliance. Through the adaptation of “City Bound” - an adventure- and experiential-orientated learning concept, to the needs of trainees in urban areas, IVET-VENTURE offers opportunities for experience-based learning. Considering that the employability of youngsters highly depends on their participatory skills and confidence, trainees will learn in active ways beyond classrooms, dealing with real life situations. The consortium will develop a training concept, ready to be applied in schools and companies.

### IVET-VENTURE manuals and online module are ready

Since our last Newsletter, the IVET-VENTURE project made great progress. Our **manual “Experience-orientated activities in urban areas for the strengthening of key competences in job trainings”** is ready and available for free in physical form and in PDF form our homepage [www.ivet-venture.org](http://www.ivet-venture.org). There you also find the **additional online modules**. All products are available in English, Romanian, Turkish and German. The handbook is mainly comprised of the description of the IVET-VENTURE concept and a wealth of IVET-VENTURE learning-tasks, while the online modules take into consideration country-specific circumstances like quirks of cultural norms or the local educational system in order to make it easier to adapt IVET-VENTURE in the participating countries.



### IVET-VENTURE conference, Vienna

**45 participants from 12 countries participated at the IVET-VENTURE conference at the VHS Liesing in Vienna on September 18th.** A key note by Prof. em. Peter Becker (picture above), five workshops, country reports and a presentation about vocational education in Europe were topics of the conference. **Find an extensive summary here:** [http://www.ivet-venture.org/partner\\_meeting.html](http://www.ivet-venture.org/partner_meeting.html)

### Get involved!

We cordially invite all interested stakeholders in the fields of civic education, lifelong learning, youth and adult education, and experts of in-service teacher trainings to become an associated project partner!

- We welcome you to contribute with your expertise to the project by reviewing the developed materials and exchanging good practise with us.
- We invite your organisation to be represented on the IVET-VENTURE website as an associated partner of the project.

### Learn more about the project

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