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Youth entrepreneurship

Today, many young people are thinking of starting their own business and becoming entrepreneurs, however not many actually do so. Entrepreneurship can be described as risky economic activity aimed at the systematic gaining profits from the production and/or sale of goods, the provision and execution of services.

Young people are creative, ambitious and ready to change the world, take risks, and not just make a profit. This social group is a very active part of society, which quickly responds to any changes in life and effectively perceives its positive aspects. They, however, need initial support of

different kind in becoming entrepreneurs. That's why projects that aim at this are a priority for the EU Commission.



YEAP! project

"YEAP!" project develops a "Youth Entrepreneurship Advanced Pathway" (YEAP!) promoting entrepreneurship education and social entrepreneurship among young people to support them in becoming active, creative and entrepreneurial citizens. YEAP! project aspires to play an essential role

not only to shape the mind-sets of youth but also to provide knowledge, skills&competences that are crucial to develop an entrepreneurial culture. The overall project objective is to instill a spirit of (social) entrepreneurship among youth-initiative, confidence, calculated risk-taking, creativity. By

placing the young population needs at the centre position, the project is developing a set of activities & a variety of methodological approaches to support their integration into the labour market either as self-employed or as entrepreneurs.

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State of the art:

At the current stage the project partnership has developed first 2 major project outputs: YEAP Flexible Learning Pathway, designed to provide individualised training for youth to potentially becoming entrepreneurs or self-employed, and Youth Workers' Methodological Guide that contains pedagogical recommendations for youth workers to teach youth based on modern youth characteristics and developed YEAP Pathway.

Intellectual Output 1: YEAP! Flexible Learning Pathway (Level 4)

Within work on YEAP! Flexible Learning Pathway, the YEAP! Partnership has reviewed the methodology that has been used in the CERF project. Moreover, an assessment tool was developed that aims to assess prior learning level of young people in the field of entrepreneurship.

The data collected through the assessment tool was analysed and results supported the partnership to identify the training needs of young people in this field.

The newly developed flexible learning pathway is based on the results of the joint research

report and aims for the trainees to reach level 4 of the EQF in regards to knowledge, skills and competences. The learner will own a comprehensive range of cognitive and practical skills required to develop creative entrepreneurial

solutions to abstract problems in order for them to be able to move their business idea to the next level, as well as develop the critical thinking, problem solving, and teamwork skills they need in the workplace.

This output has been already completed and the next output 2 was developed based on it.

Intellectual Output 2: Youth Workers' Methodological Guide

The Output 2 aim is to develop a integrated youth workers' methodological guide which will help youth workers to use YEAP! Project products.

Output 2 describes modern youth and its learning characteristics, which ensures relevance of the

guide in the today's realities as youth workers need to take in account the learning style of young people. Also this output presents the methodology for teaching entrepreneurship that fits the learning needs of the modern youth. It describes the actual teaching tools,

which are to be used for teaching entrepreneurship within YEAP course according to the Problem-Based Learning methodology.

Work on output 2 has already been completed which is the basis for developing outputs 3 and 4.

Further actions

The next step will be the development of a Toolkit, that aims to enhance the quality of youth work by methodological support of youth workers, as well building their knowledge and competences in the tools specially designed within YEAP!. This output will promote better knowledge, recognition and validation of youth work at all partner countries at national, regional and local levels.

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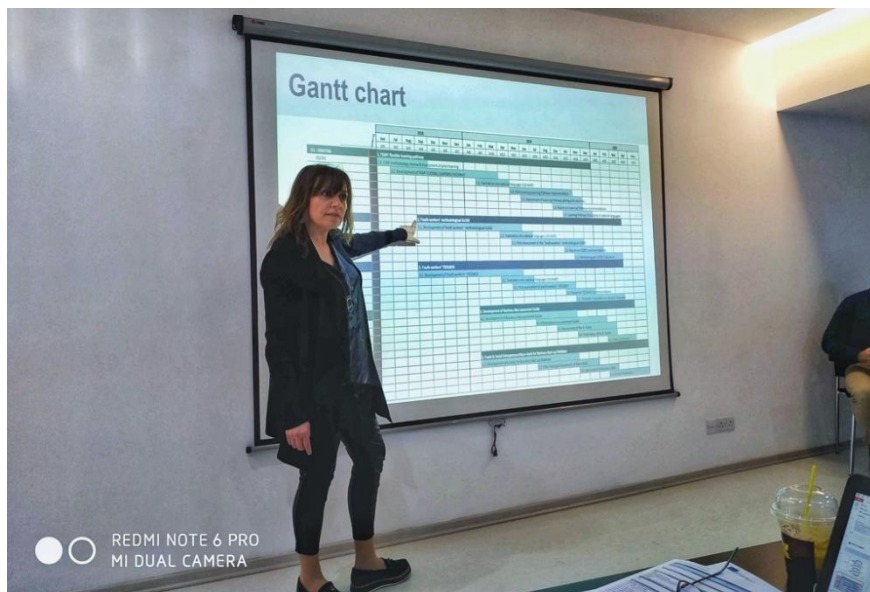
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2nd transnational meeting in Nicosia, Cyprus



The second meeting of the project took place on the 16th and 17th of January, 2019 in Nicosia, Cyprus. During the course of the meeting, which was hosted by the Cypriot partner and attended by the British, Greek, and Swedish partners, all of who presented the "State of the art" of the Intellectual Outputs that they are responsible for.

At the meeting the partners mainly discussed the activities for development of the Toolbox that will contain a comprehensive set of learning tools and checklists developed for coaching entrepreneurs and students.. The meeting agenda also included progress in the dissemination activities, quality, financial and project management issues within the project.

The next meeting of the project will take place in Folkuniversitetet (Uppsala, Sweden) on the 11th and 12th of July, 2019.