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## 1.Introduction to ERASMUS + programme

The Erasmus+ programme aims to boost skills and employability, as well as modernising Education, Training, and Youth work. The seven year programme will have a budget of  $\leq 14.7$  billion; a 40% increase compared to current spending levels, reflecting the EU's commitment to investing in these areas.

Erasmus+ will provide opportunities for over 4 million Europeans to study, train, gain work experience and volunteer abroad.

Erasmus+ will support transnational partnerships among Education, Training, and Youth institutions and organisations to foster cooperation and bridge the worlds of Education and work in order to tackle the skills gaps we are facing in Europe.

It will also support national efforts to modernise Education, Training, and Youth systems. In the field of Sport, there will be support for grassroots projects and cross-border challenges such as combating match-fixing, doping, violence and racism.

Erasmus+ brings together seven existing EU programmes in the fields of Education, Training, and Youth; it will for the first time provide support for Sport.

As an integrated programme, Erasmus+ offers more opportunities for cooperation across the Education, Training, Youth and Sport sectors and is easier to access than its predecessors, with simplified funding rules. This new programme focuses on the formal and informal learning further than the borders of the EU, with a clear vocation for internationalization, opening up to third countries with the aim of improving people's educational and training capacities for the employability of students, faculty and workers.

# 2.Objectives of the project

The aim of the project is to facilitate the DEVELOPMENT OF A QUALIFICATION AT EUROPEAN LEVEL, corresponding to one of the job profiles or activities more developed in the wood and furniture companies, which depending on the country in which the companies develop their activities, has some skills or others.

With the development of the project, it is skills aimed to unify the of JOINER/CARPENTER in all the participating countries of the project, to define an European job profile setting out the common features in the scope of the skills of all participating countries in the project, as well as those competencies that are considered that an European joiner must have in order to develop the work at any participating country, taking into account both the characteristics of these countries and this job profile, as well as the expected evolution of this job profile in the wood working sector for the coming years.

For the development of this qualification, it will be considered the evolution of business



and skills that will be demanded at this job profile, also considering the type of activities that are developed by this professional profile, so that any student or worker with these skills will more easily incorporate in the wood working industry in Europe.

As this qualification will gather the current demand of companies for the professional profile of the joiner/carpenter, the period of adjustment to a job of this kind for young people with skills defined in EUROJOINER, will be MINIMAL AND FAST, so this will lead to A GREATER RECOGNITION OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING.

# 3. Kick off meeting



On 26th and 27th November 2016, the Kickoff meeting was held in the premises of the coordinator, AIDIMA.

During the meeting the coordinator presented the project's aims, the activities, the Intellectual Outputs approval, the expected results during the project, the project impact, and the European Official dissemination and communication websites.

Every partner presented their centre and their activities and delivered a brief

presentation of the joiner profile. Depending of the country there are different definitions, different European levels, and their responsibilities are different for the joiner/carpenter. We need to define a professional profile with the same competences, skills and abilities for the partners participating in the project, to facilitate the workers mobility.

Other activities during the Kick-off meeting were:

- Short presentation of quality plan.
- Presentation of the project website.
- To select the project logo.
- Schedule revision.
- And administrative issues related to the project.

### 4.Intellectual Output 1 Development of the curriculum of "Eurojoiner" European Qualification

During the meeting the partners selected the features for the carpenter/joiner to develop during the project, in each country; this profile has some different competencies, for that is necessary to define a similar profile.

The joiner/carpenter will be the responsible to install and to develop indoor work.

To carry out this intellectual output the coordinator of this activity will send a template in January to the partners to



homologate the information about this professional profile in every country.



The project partners decided to develop next meeting in Sweden to analyze the compilation of the competencies of the joiner/carpenter, and define de joiner/carpenter qualification to work and develop during the project.

