Belgium - Erasmus+ project Itineris

Title of inspiring practice	Erasmus+ project Itineris ("Projet Erasmus+ Itinéris")
Geographical area	Wallonia, at regional level.
Period of implementation	The Erasmus+ project Itineris started on 1 September 2018 and ended on 1 November 2022.
	The mobilities considered to be an inspiring practice took place from 19 to 23 April 2022.
Rationale	This example shows how mobility can improve the knowledge of green transition for trainers and even contributes to the creation of new training.
	Thus, this example demonstrates how to mobilise expertise and resources for networking and encourage creative approaches to green education.
Scope of the practice	Initial Vocational Education and Training.
Introduction and context	In consortium within the framework of FormaForm, a consortium of Walloon vocational training organisations (SFPME, Bruxelles formation, FOREM, IFAPME) has joined the Erasmus+ Itineris project, offering mobility grants for trainers and pedagogical staff under shadowing, teaching/training assignments, courses and training.
	As a result, in 2022, three Itineris mobilities have been mobilised to send two of IFAPME's main trainers, one IFAPME's pedagogical adviser and three SFPME's pedagogical adviser to OSAO (an educational community of leading professional experts in Finland), in the framework of an observation's projector practices in sustainable construction/eco-construction/energy efficiency. During this mobility, two Finnish training centres were visited (Haukipudas and Kaukovainio). Both centres are specialised in the fields of eco-construction, wood construction, sustainable construction, and energy efficiency.
	The objective of this mobility was to exchange and reinforce, both at the pedagogical and technical levels, the skills of the pedagogical agents on different subjects of construction, namely: eco-construction, wood construction, sustainable construction, and energy efficiency.
	The Itineris project is an Erasmus+ project allocating a grant to the Itineris mobilities (for all partners). Each partner had therefore in his possession an amount to use from 1 September 2018 to 1 November 2022. Concerning the mobility in Finland, the Erasmus+ projects grant two types of scholarship to people leaving for the mobility, according to their destination.
Key activities and outcomes	The activities carried out during the mobility included a visit of 2 OSAO Centres, a visit to OSAO Training Site, visits to small and medium-sized construction companies, the presentation by a large construction company and a short visit to the city of OULU, its buildings, and an overview of its architecture.
	Thanks to this mobility, IFAPME was able to fine-tune the creation of its new energetic renovation training programme for the 2022 school year.
	A key factor contributing to the success of the Itineris project was the motivation and involvement of the pedagogical staff in an experience of exchanging practices with other professionals in Vocational Education and Training (VET) abroad. Furthermore, the adaptation of the training programme largely contributed to the success of the

	programme as it allowed learners at IFAPME to gain specific skills in relation with green transition, for combatting food waste in the catering sector, etc.
	A major obstacle encountered during the initiative was the limited ability of the pedagogical staff to speak English or other European languages. For this reason, the scope of countries visited was significantly limited. Furthermore, the COVID pandemic was also a main limitation to travels outside Belgium.
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