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**W**elcome to the first newsletter of the Valorize Non Formal and Informal Learning (NFIL) project in the framework of the Erasmus+ Strategic Partnerships programme.

First, a little bit of context: the starting point of the project is the European Council recommendation of December 20<sup>th</sup> 2012 on the validation of the non-formal and informal learning. Research has produced evidence that the validation has 2 problems:

- It is developed with a very localised perspective
- Migrants are not particularly involved in the validation of NFIL.

The **main aim** of the NFIL project is the recognition and transparency of skills and qualifications to facilitate learning, employability and job mobility for migrants.

The **direct targets** are the national entities in charge of the recognition of professional qualifications and the evaluation and certification of learning devices, employment services and stakeholders in the fields of education, training and civil society. All are key stakeholders with an important role to promote initiatives for the validation of non-formal and informal learning.

The **indirect targets** are:

- Extra community migrants
- Internal migrants (from one EU country to another)
- Internal migrants who wish to return to their country in the short or medium term

**Objectives:**

1. To Analyse some specific aspects of the phenomenon of migration in Europe (extra or intra community migrants, qualification level of the new migrants, internal migration of young workers) and initiatives adopted in the different countries of the project in regards of the validation of non-formal and informal learning following the European Council recommendation of December 20<sup>th</sup> 2012.
2. Build an open source database available in the different countries of the project in order to share information, best practices and methods to help direct and indirect target in the process of :
  - Identification
  - Documentation
  - Assessment
  - Validation



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of individual skills acquired through non-formal and informal learning

3. Create and trial a guidance module that could help migrants and vocational operators to transfer from one EU country the validation and certification of NFIL acquired in another EU or extra community country.

## Intellectual Outputs to create:

O1 Study Report: 01/10/2018 to 28/02/19

Part A: a shared framework on NFIL across Europe

Part B: NFIL across the partner countries: a common grid for gathering information from the partners

Part C: Data from the partner countries to create a comparable overview of the state of the arts of validation arrangements in each partner country

Part D: SWOT analysis based on the recommendation of 2012, the Cedefop: European guidelines for validating NFIL

Part E: Conclusions and recommendations of the European inventory on validation of NFIL 2016 and the data of the partners

O2: Transnational framework of validated and certified skills (02/01/19 au 31/05/19)

The objective of this production is to test a synthetic and updated method of harvest of:

- Professional skills and profiles that can be certified in the countries involved in the project;
- Documentation useful for the validation action in each country;
- Processes and/or services that each country can offer for this type of service.

5 professional profiles will be analysed in 4 professional sectors: Trade, Catering/Hotel, ICT, Social health.

The conclusion of the O2 will be the implementation of a common framework for 20 professional profiles in which the NFIL operator can take note of the non-formal and informal skills acquired and certified not only in the country in which the migrant resides but also in other countries in which he could work.

O3: Development on a computer database showing all the tools of the project. (02/01/19 to 31/07/19)

O4: Accompanying module (04/03/19 to 30/07/2020)

This module will define the modalities to involve and guide migrants through their integration journey by proposing:

- Information on the transnational recognition of NFIL of migrants;



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- Accompanying of the migrant by an operator who will explain to him the opportunities and limits that a NFIL action can include
- Identification of the NFIL to valorize
- Validation and certification of NFIL acquired respecting host countries legislation

## Tasks:

In addition to specific tasks assigned to each partner, all partners share responsibility for developing parts of each I.O. in their own country;

- The retrieval of the information necessary to draw up the analysis that is the subject of the I.O. 1
- The gathering and organization of the information necessary to draw up the synoptic picture of the certifiable NFILs that is the subject of the I.O.2;
- The testing phase on the possibility of a continuous increase of the database that is the subject of the I.O.3
- The training of its operators and the testing phase provided in the I.O.4

Each one, moreover, will have to act as an antenna for the diffusion and involvement of stakeholders in its national network.

This sharing will allow, among other things, to develop I.Os. with a European value, as they will be the result of the experience and collaboration of 7 out of 28 EU countries (including 5 of the largest and 2 of the countries of recent entry).

## Partners:

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