

We have reached a goal, but not the end - and EURIAC is showing Europe the way to go. The project has now successfully achieved its aim and objectives as in the original application. The good atmosphere, cooperation and useful results have inspired the partners to continue with student mobilities and to carry on and plan for a new EURIAC-project II together.

The European Class concept now provides educational units, a template for Learning Agreement, practical information on how to organise mobility, create units and describe learning outcomes among several other products, all downloadable at the EURIAC website www.euriac.eu

Aspects of interest

Aim

- o Deliver 4 European vocational education units of learning outcomes in industrial automation at EQF 4 and 5
- o Offer students in vocational education the opportunity to learn abroad

ECVET

We made practical use of ECVET.

Programme

Lifelong Learning Programme

Duration

October 2011 – September 2013



Project partners at a project meeting in Bilbao, Spain.
In front, students on mobility.

The EURIAC project had a wide focus

In the application, the project identified a number of problems seen on European level. Our aim in the EURIAC project was to address these problems which we called gaps:

Interest gap – Few youngsters in Europe are interested in VET, especially not in industrial technology, as they find it a low quality option. Opportunities to study and work in an international environment will not only make existing VET pathways more attractive, they will also increase the students' employability both at a national and European level.



Pernilla Öhberg, project manager, summarising the project with the partners.

Knowledge gap – Due to the rapid technology shift in industry - causing multi-skills needs in industrial automation - and the lack of communication and cooperation between VET providers and the industry a mismatch on industrial skills needs and the learning outcomes of students in VET has arisen. Industry claims students are poorly educated and due to that not employable.

ECVET/EQF gap – There are studies, initiatives and projects aiming to develop and utilize the ECVET device in VET. However, more work on the practical implementation of ECVET in national VET is required.

EURIACs concept adds value on local as well as European level

The project partners have made a number of discoveries regarding both their own national educational system and other European systems. They now know what is good and what needs to be improved. Working on ECVET in cooperation with European VET colleagues have indeed provided them new competence and an eager to continue the cooperation. The Swedish Council for Higher Education states that the EURIAC project alone stands out with its development of ECVET in Sweden!

We hope that our work and experiences can be transferred into other sectors and through new projects. We recommend anyone interested to share our experiences on the website or to simply get in touch with us for detailed information or support!

We would also like to thank everybody who have taken interest in our work and supported us with knowledge and trust along the way!



One of the guests enjoying the conference, Louis Georgy, teacher at Aranäs gymnasiet.

Final conference for the EURIAC project

The final conference of the EURIAC project was a successful event and was attended by participants from several European countries and several types of organisations.

The aim of the conference was to share the results from the project and to promote internationalisation as a way to improve vocational education and training.

Read more about the final conference here:

<http://www.euriac.eu/News/Final%20conference/Final%20conference.html>

There are many reasons to take part in the EURIAC project final conference, which presents its results

Learn more about mobilities and internationalisation by reading some of the interviews with participants at the final conference of EURIAC. The final conference of the EURIAC project took place the 19th of September, 2013 in Kungsbacka, Sweden.

Read the interviews from the final conference here:

<http://www.euriac.eu/News/Interviews%20at%20the%20final%20conference/Interviews.html>



Moderator Kajsa Jeppson opening the final conference.

Final newsletter, 2013

EURIAC at European ECVET conference in Brussels

The EURIAC project has now and is still disseminating its results participating in a number of events and discussions. For instance, in the end of October, 2013, the project was invited as speakers to the European ECVET conference 'National Implementation of ECVET – Projects, Instruments, Challenges and Solutions' in Brussels.

Read more here:

<http://www.euriac.eu/News/Bryssel/Bryussels.html>



Pernilla Öhberg, project manager EURIAC and Andréas Mårtensson, Lead partner EURIAC at one of the workshops in Brussels.



Article about EURIAC - published in the magazin of fmPro on 21 April 2013.

Swiss trade organization has published news about EURIAC

The Industry magazine fmPro in Switzerland has published an article about the results of the market analysis made in the EURIAC project.

fmPro is a Swiss Association for facility management and industrial maintenance. It is the largest trade organization within this field in Switzerland.

Read more here:

<http://www.euriac.eu/News/GuidoArticle/GuidoArticle.html>

EURIAC at the World Maintenance Forum

The two industrial representatives in the EURIAC project presented in September 2013 the EURIAC project at the World Maintenance Forum, Lugano, Switzerland.

Read more here: <http://www.euriac.eu/News/Lugano/Lugano.html>



The conference World Maintenance Forum took place in Lugano, Switzerland.

EURIAC mobility 2013-2015: Ready, Steady, GO!

The European Class concept developed within the EURIAC project providing students in industrial automation transparent and recognisable international learning opportunities is now ready to be used for organising mobility in new projects. All the project results are available at the EURIAC website and support VET providers in setting up their own European Class in industrial automation.

Read more here:

<http://www.euriac.eu/News/NewMobilityProject/NMP.html>



Kenneth Karlsson, VET teacher, enjoys being with his students and to keep developing the classes of automation. Here with David and Fredrik.

A final word from the EURIAC project about lessons learned

The EURIAC project is now summarizing its results and experiences for the final report. The project was ended September 30, 2013. There are many lessons learned and all EURIAC results are now available for download at the EURIAC website.

Read more here:

<http://www.euriac.eu/News/lessons/lessons.html>

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Sweden: Kungsbacka Municipality, Elof Lindälvs gymnasium and UTEK AB

Germany: Bundesinstitut für Berufsbildung (BIBB)

Finland: Optima Samkommun

Spain: Politeknika Ikastegia Txorierrri, S Coop. Ltda

the Netherlands: ROC West Brabant and Radius College

Switzerland: Wear Management



We have a lot to tell.
All project partners in the beginning of the project at
Radius College, The Netherlands.

Read more about the partners here: <http://www.euriac.eu/partners.html>

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