

Editorial

15,000 products in ADAM!

Dear reader,

Welcome to the July 2015 edition of the ADAM-Newsletter!

ADAM now contains just under 6,000 projects and 15,000 products. Come and take a look!

This Newsletter contains information about: the latest developments in connection with ADAM and the Erasmus+ dissemination platform, the most recent activities of the ADAM *EQF (European Qualification Framework)* project group, July's *project of the month*, the latest events and publications in the area of vocational education and the ADAM web statistics for June 2015.

We'd appreciate your feedback and wish you an informative read!
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News

Over 15,000 products in ADAM

Each and every year, Leonardo da Vinci projects develop a wealth of innovative educational products that offer tailor-made solutions suitable for immediate use within companies and educational institutions. For ADAM, it has always been important to offer direct access to these products and outcomes. That is why we are extremely pleased to report that a total of 15,000 products are now available in ADAM. For us, this represents an absolutely brilliant achievement!

ADAM enables users to carry out a simple search for suitable products from the area of vocational training and continuing education and training, on topics such as qualifications, ECVET, the European Qualifications Framework and many more besides. One of the selection criteria for European projects relates to the transferability of the products to other contexts, once they have been developed. So why not make use of the products developed, whatever the specialist areas or target groups your work involves. Take a

look and find the solution you've been looking for all the while!

News

VALOR – The new Erasmus+ dissemination platform

The Erasmus+ programme has now been running for 1½ years, which is why we would like to take this opportunity to take a look at one of the tools that is included in the new programme for the dissemination of projects and their outcomes: the Erasmus+ dissemination platform VALOR. The platform includes details of all projects that received funding from the European Commission via the Erasmus+ programme in the areas of Education, Training, Youth and Sport, together with their outcomes. What is more, it also contains all of the projects accessible in ADAM and EST.

By using VALOR, Project Leaders are able to publish the current status of their projects and make their projects and the outcomes of those projects accessible to a wider audience. The Erasmus+ dissemination was conceived as a showcase for good practices and as a repository for all projects and products created under the Erasmus+ programme. It highlights success stories and projects that aim to develop good practices, enabling all interested parties to retrieve and make use of the information generated by the projects. The platform is intended to serve as a source of inspiration and to develop into a Community of Practice with regard to projects.

Since the start of July, all of the projects funded during 2014 and 2015 can be accessed via the platform. The platform provides detailed information regarding the projects, including a project description and information about the project coordinator(s) and project partners. Once the project is complete, the products themselves will also be available.

Direct link:

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects/>

ADAM Project Groups

Thematic Monitoring in the field of EQF / NQF



European
Qualifications
Framework

Under the Lifelong Learning Programme numerous projects on learning outcomes and in the field of European/National Qualifications Frameworks (EQF / NQF) have been successfully developed and implemented.

These projects have not only fostered the exchange of experiences, but have also developed new products, methods as well as curricula. For some, the preparation and description of qualifications was the project goal. For others, the key project objective focused on the learning outcome oriented description of trainings enabling a future assignment to the corresponding qualifications framework.

Since 2012 we, the NKS Coordination Point for the NQF Austria, have highlighted these projects in ADAM, the project and product portal for Leonardo da Vinci, to make their results and outcomes more easily accessible.

Now we would like to go one step forward and start a thematic monitoring activity, aiming at identifying successful projects in the field of EQF/NQF, collecting their project results and analysing these to derive conclusions and recommendations both for the participating international partners, promoters, educational institutions and relevant stakeholders but also for the actual implementation of the qualifications frameworks.

If you know of a suitable project or are project coordinator of a project on learning outcomes and in the field of European/National Qualifications Frameworks (EQF / NQF) and would be interested please contact us via nqr@oead.at.

Direct link:

www.adam-europe.eu/adam/thematicgroup/EQF

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Project of the Month – July

Certi.MenTu - Certification for Mentors and Tutors



Certification of Mentors and Tutors

Every month a project which has been particularly well presented in ADAM is selected as Project of the Month. July's Project of the Month is „Certi.MenTu“, a transfer of innovation project coordinated in Austria.

Certi.MenTu is a project that seeks to address the issue of certification for mentors and tutors.

Mentors are individuals employed within a company, who help an individual learner to develop his/her abilities and knowledge and to identify connections. Tutors are teachers or trainers, who normally do not come from within the sector concerned, but who assist individuals or small groups of people undertaking workplace-based learning.

Certi.MenTu is intended to promote the sharing of experiences between employers and institutions providing vocational training and continuing education, in order to create a more in-depth understanding of the needs of learners in the workplace. An extensive illustration of Certi.MenTu, together with many of the products developed within the framework of the project can be found on the ADAM portal, at the following address <http://www.adam-europe.eu/certimentu>.

The projects of the month from the last 12 months can be found at ADAM under www.adam-europe.eu/ProjectoftheMonth.

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Publication

CEDEFOP forecasts regarding the skill supply and demand between now and 2025

In early July, CEDEFOP published the latest forecasts regarding skill supply and demand between now and 2025 within the EU, and, for the first time, for each individual Member State.

The forecasts provide information about employment prospects, developments within sectors, new professions that may be developed, changes to levels of qualification and demographic trends.

The forecasts can be found [here](#).

Event

Work-Based Learning Toolkit goes live

From 1 to 2 October 2015, the second European Monitoring Conference of the thematic network for "Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship" will take place in Vilnius, Lithuania.

The focus of the conference will be the presentation of the Work-Based Learning Toolkit, the first web platform, on which users will be able to share, discuss and create content relating to the area of work-based learning. The conference will provide delegates with an opportunity to network and to receive the latest information regarding the topics of work-based learning and apprenticeships.

Further information is available [here](#).

Info

ADAM web statistics June 2015

We will also be using the Newsletter to keep you up to date with new project entries and the latest ADAM visitor statistics on a regular basis.

New project entries: **10**

Number of different visitors: **37,090**

Hits: **203,280**

Amount of data transmission = bytes (pages, graphics, files): **156.96 gigabyte**

In terms of EU country comparison, the highest user traffic was generated by German web users with **30,527 hits**, followed by Italy (**10,727 hits**) and Turkey (**8,155 hits**).

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