



APT - APPRENTICE PREPARATION TRAINING PROJECT

NEWSLETTER 3

Progress of the APT project

Welcome to the third APT project newsletter!

The aim of this document is to keep you informed about the project. The APT project has started 1.5 years ago and still have 1 year to go.

What we have recently achieved:

- Organized three transnational meetings
- Completed first output (incorporating second output as well)
- Started working on the third output

What are we planning in the nearest future:

- Organize fourth Transnational Project Meeting in Vilnius
- Finish working on IO3

Quick reminder of the project

The APT Project is a 30-month project implemented in the framework of the program Erasmus+ VET. The project seeks to address the new challenges in the labour market by exploring all the factors above & developing practical, user friendly and transferable solutions by nurturing & capitalising on the good work already happening in the partner countries and across Europe.

The main target groups in this project are:

- organizations and employers that work directly with young people who are facing significant challenges securing meaningful careers
- young people themselves who often need extra guidance when making the transition from education to the world of work

The preparation and guidance for transition from education to employment readiness is a key focus of this project.

The partnership will create a suite of modular resources, testing tools, a training framework and CPD training packages and pilot test them in real training situations with career guides and trainers, and upwards of **200 young people**. Materials can be adapted by partners to fit different sectors and educational levels. It is planned to run several events to maximise the interest in the final tools and share them with local, regional and international actors.

3rd Transnational Project Meeting in Ortona

The third meeting took place on 27th-18th November 2017 in Ortona, Italy.

During the meeting, the partners focused on discussion about the findings of the first Intellectual Output regarding the Career Counselling and Guidance Services provided at national, regional and local level.



Photo 2 - Project partners discussing the dissemination of the project during the third project meeting in Ortona

Based on IO1, the consortium had a constructive discussion about the design of the APT Framework. The themes, topics, activities were defined, whereas a collection of various materials aiming to support educators (trainers and career advisors), employers and parents to guide young people started to be built up. Through the above young people will be assisted to develop their personal and employability skills.

The second day of the meeting was spent on planning the next steps of the project's development and on the dissemination of the products developed so far.

The next project meetings are scheduled in regular basis to stay constantly involved in the project and focused on our goals. The fourth meeting is planned on 1-2 March 2018 in Vilnius (Lithuania) and will be hosted by Lithuanian partner – VšĮ "Žinių kodas".

Intellectual Output 3 – progress of the work

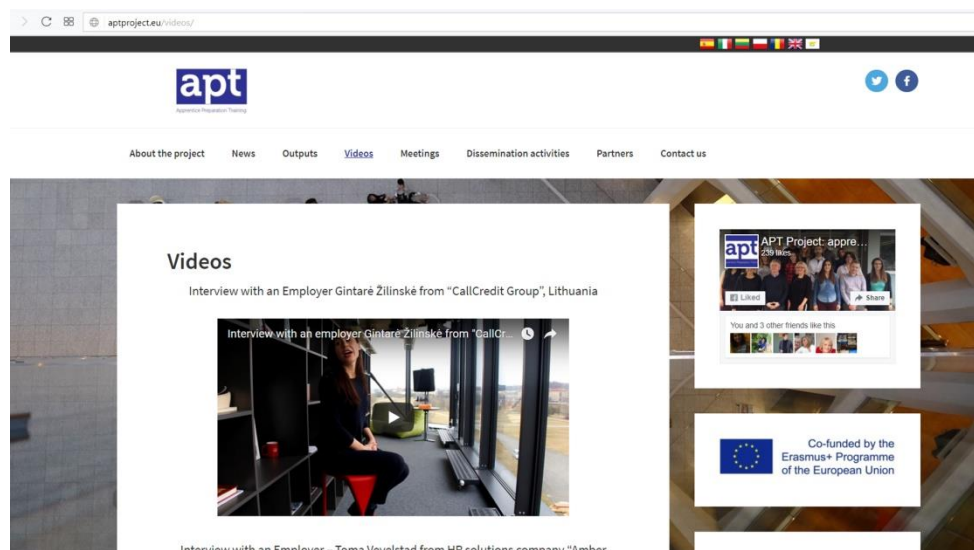
After the analysis of best practices across the Europe the APT project partners have decided to create **a toolkit of resources to assist the smooth transition for young people from education to employment**. This toolkit will consist of four bespoke resources aimed at specific target audiences:

- **Careers Advisors and Educators** - The first resource is aimed at VET educators, youth workers, adult education providers, school teachers, career counsellors, etc. who are dealing with young people who are facing the prospect of entering the labour market.
- **Young People** - The second resource is aimed at young people and serves as an information, advice and guidance tool presented in the form of an information booklet.
- **Employers** - The third resource will take the form of support materials for employers who may employ young people, this consists of tips and information for employers to manage their expectations and to help them get the best out of their young employees.
- **Parents** - The fourth and final resource is a 'quick-guide' for parents of young people, which will be aimed at providing support to parents who are guiding their children through the decisions that affect their future career options.

The resources are currently in the phase of development. They will be discussed during the next meeting in Vilnius and after they're finished, **they will be available for free on our website**.

Visit our website and social media!

As an added value, our website has a "VIDEOS" section, where you can find our interviews with young people, employers and career advisors. We strongly recommend you to watch it!



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