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Increase the prestige of VET through career guidance tools.

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The second partner meeting was organized by Gymnázium Kráľovský Chlmec - vocational training in grammar school. Due to the Covid 19 travel restrictions, this meeting was held in a hybrid setting. We took part and enjoyed the formal and informal sequences of the meeting. The presentations provided an overview of helpful career orientation.

First day:

The Headmaster Gabriel Dobos presented the school and the system of education of Slovakia. It is unique. The unique profile provides four blocks of practical subjects, despite the fact of being a secondary grammar high school whose regular aim is to prepare students for university.

A former student Mr. Tamás Juhász told us about his studies at school and explained how this shaped his present-day studies and interests.

Two current students at grammar school presented their idea of a student company. They called their company Nest BnB. Led by their teacher Ms. Bernadeta Oláhová, the students produce and sell swallow nests. The students showed us the process of nest making, how a team of students is managing the company and what it is like to run a business. They summed up the whole process of setting up a student company.

A psychologist from the Pedagogical Counseling and Prevention Center explained the participants how the center workers help individuals, schools and other institutions to find the right career paths.

The school psychologist outlined the main functions of her work: helping students with the process of settling in when starting their studies, guiding them through the years of adolescence and providing professional guidance in questions of professional orientation and career counseling.

The first day ended with a guided visit of the school building. We were able to have a look at the classrooms, the teaching process itself, laboratories and the surroundings of the school as well as the showcase of some products of student's work during their classes of practical subjects.

Second day:

Ms. Grünwaldová-Kaduková from the Office of Labour, Social Affairs and Family described how the office helps people of all ages to find jobs or re-qualification opportunities. The expert also enlisted several benefits provided by the Ministry of Labor for job seekers. Ms. Grünwaldová-Kaduková is the author of the so-called "balloon method". The "balloon

method" is a helpful tool. It provides career guidance for job seekers. The method helps the participants to reveal their strengths, weaknesses or potential in sessions. Eventually it can trigger the process of self-understanding and realizing which career paths can be good choices for individuals.

The lecture workshop was followed by a presentation of a former successful student. Mr. Tomáš Kanócz spoke about the importance of learning foreign languages and combining them with practical subjects like ICT, technology as well as the necessity of soft skills. The young man represents the new generation of employees, ready to work from home, eager to be flexible enough to cope with changing working hours and always seeking new opportunities of self-development – for a successful technical career.

We enjoyed the second partner meeting. We got inspiration from the lecturing guests and the unique way of Gymnázium Královský Chlmec.

In detail we will adopt the following from the speaker's reports:

- Sensitization to different needs.
- Raising awareness of the various groups: young people, parents, vocational orientation teachers, companies and trainers.
- We are the senders of information. Do the recipients hear us? How is our given information perceived? We are allowed to critically question our communication repeatedly.
- This partner meeting raised our awareness to also raise the awareness of our associated school partners on diversity.

Topics: career guidance - choice of occupation, advice on the educational path - school career and LLL - lifelong learning, personality development - internal and external influences, marketing - the activities, communication - the activities.

The second partner meeting confirmed that good career guidance affects everybody: companies, organizations, schools, parents and students.

From the second partner meeting we take the following points with us for the organization of the third meeting in Vienna:

We are revising the concept for the third meeting in Vienna. We take on the variety of presentations and will invite experts. Thus, guest speakers are invited.

We will plan lectures from our associated school partners. Our associated partners are invited. The advantage is that we can report on the Erasmus+-project to find new perspectives.

Social partners are invited as well. The social partners should describe the shortage of skilled workers (cause and possible solutions).

We will invite the recruiting team for construction related trades.

<https://www.hammerlehre.at/>

This platform addresses six professions. The basic idea of this platform is to bring students and training companies together.

We will invite the apprentice platform of the construction industry:

<https://www.baudeinezukunft.at/de/home/>

This platform addresses five professions. The basic idea of this platform is:

A) We would like an increase in the number of apprenticeships of training companies. We want to activate the willingness to train apprentices and support the training companies.

B) We want to make dual training in construction more attractive for young people. We want to promote diversity. We would like to present the career ladder in construction and show that

the advancement from apprentice to skilled worker to foreman and master craftsman is possible.

The following point was not addressed in the second partner meeting:

The local education system with the levels (EQF and ISCED). Therefore, we will prepare a lecture about the Austrian Education System and the international classifications.

An important point at the official partner meetings is the conversation during breaks. We call it the informal exchange, e.g. while visiting school buildings.

We want to exchange ideas and learn from you.

We are looking forward to further cooperation.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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