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Entrepreneurial skills for a modern education in Albania EntrAL

Project objectives

EntrAL project aims at increasing the entrepreneurial awareness for pre-university teachers, university teachers and students in Albanian HEIs and schools. Therefore, the project will bring an entrepreneurial mindset at the university and school levels by encouraging entrepreneurial teaching methods, nurturing entrepreneurial behaviour of the students and to support the creation of new ventures.

Partners

The consortium is composed of the following partners:

- University of Turku, Finland (coordinator)
- · University of León, Spain
- · Technological University Dublin, Ireland
- · Albanian Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth
- Sports University of Tirana, Albania
- Aleksandër Moisiu University of Durrës, Albania
- University Aleksander Xhuvani Elbasan, Albania
- · University Eqrem Çabej Gjirokaster, Albania
- · University Fan S. Noli Korce, Albania
- · University Luigj Gurakuqi Shkoder, Albania
- · University College Pavaresia Vlore, Albania
- University Ismail Qemali Vlore, Albania (cocoordinator)

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This first activity prepares the set-up for upcoming activities. As preparatory activities, the partners research the current situation on entrepreneurial mind-set. The Albanian universities focus on teaching practices and existing courses in entrepreneurship; MESY on the needs for entrepreneurial education for LLL teacher training; and the European Partners on good case practices that could be relevant to the Albanian context.

A final report is available in English and Albanian language as background work for the project, collecting the reports provided by each partner, the seminar discussions and input. The report also acts as a proposal for implementing entrepreneurship education for teachers and students emphasising the contribution of universities as main providers of ongoing professional development.



KICK-OFF SEMINAR IN SHKODRA, ALBANIA

EntrAL Kick-Off seminar took place on April 20th-21st, 2021, in Shkodra, Albania.

The Faculties of Education at Albanian partner universities presented their findings on the current situation regarding entrepreneurial mind-set at their own institution as well as at schools. The results were then discussed among the partner universities, the Ministry and business representatives, to undertake the following steps of designing and implementing the entrepreneurial courses through the existing centres.

TRAINING THE TRAINERS OF ALBANIAN UNIVERSITIES

Following, two entrepreneurial sets of activities will be organised: 1. the entrepreneurship camp (36 Hours Innovation Camp for trainers) in Turku, Finland during autumn 2021 and, 2. the teacher training to train the future trainers for university and pre-university teachers, in Dublin, Ireland during spring 2022. The content of the training will be based on the good case practices collected during the mapping activities and the comments received from the Albanian partners. After the training, participants are better equipped to design the content of the three modules targeted to pre-university teachers, university teachers and university students.

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