

Learning by Leaving Conference 2020 – Table Discussions

Table 5 A shared learning environment for Eures, Euroguidance, Eurodesk and Europass

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Outline:

At different workshops in Cologne and Cagliari we discovered that our four networks have quite some things in common: We are all working in the field of mobility, either for study or for work; all networks deal with regular personnel changes, which leads to regular need for training; there is a lot to be learned about internationalisation, and a lot of necessary knowledge for the networks who overlap quite a bit.

In Cagliari the idea was posted to share training materials in an open digital learning environment, containing e-books on different subjects, online tests and assessments, and the possibility to reward and motivate learners (=ourselves) with open badges.

A first working environment is now online, at www.e-velop.eu. For the moment only one online course (around cultural sensitivity) is available with the password: **LbL2020**.

- This course is just a first example of useful learning material. Many more courses can be added.
- Online assessments can be added.(not in the example yet)
- Passing a course assessment can be rewarded with an open badge (not in the example yet)
- Passing a predefined set of courses can be rewarded with a "bigger" open badge

And you store these open badges of course in your Europass eportfolio

Participants to the workshop are invited to discuss what is necessary to make this initiative a success.





Discussion Notes:

- First module = developed, in co-operation with Peter Heeling. Login still not available, screen prints are shared. The first course is about "how to use the Europass"
- Lena EURES Germany: Eures has an extra net, a platform with info about all trainings. Wondering how this could be combined? Already difficult to "see a tree in the jungle". Text from Lena: At EURES each country has a training coordinator. It would be great to have this kind of system also for this platform to always have a human contact for the training programmes on the shared training.
- Lena Kocanis: For EURES the external training provider Ernst and Young (E&Y) is organising the trainings. They could be a good contact for you when developing and connecting EURES content with the other content.
- Erik: it might not be of interest to join, but is interesting for the other 3 networks to learn about EURES trainings! Sharing could be advantageous for all networks.
- Rose, EG Serbia: Process of learning? How long will the courses be available? (to enable personal planning) It is important to have guidelines how courses can be used. What are the timeslots for different online courses? Pay attention to the needs of staff members of different networks. Similar to Euroguidance Newcomer Handbook.
- Erik. good suggestion! Platform would be available permanently, 24/7. It would be good to define learning pathways through this tool. Handbook can be published on the website.
- See each other's training material! (Europass Trello, Eurogudiance Handbook, webinars)
- Kaska, Eurodesk UK instead of only one way communication (Courses) there should be points of contacts. Share project idea. We contact to 2 networks, but not to EURES a joint platform for inter-network communication would be very useful.
- Erik: the platform needs CONTENT. i.e. New Europass. We need content creators, ideally experienced or interested in Moodle. Call for contributions!

Recommendations:

- It needs to be promoted. A shared working environment needs to be promoted across mobility networks, avoiding overlap with other existing repositories.
- It needs to be very easy to navigate. I like the idea of learning pathways. The goal of the platform should be made more clear; f.i. not the idea to post shareable promotional materials; also who is the target audience? Only the network or also material for our users? ...I also like the idea of setting up projects or calls for collaborating on common projects.
- Maybe a newsletter once the month about the new content on the platform It needs to be alive, new items regularly; Have a responsible person in each country and each network as contact person; Need of coordination
- up to date information about Erasmus program as the main source of financing mobility
- Opportunity to create your personal learning plan within your profile. Also regular Q&A sessions for certain course.

Bring the idea to steering groups of all networks. Discuss it and fix it for the next programme period!





- For EURES it can be good to present this platform to the EURES Coordination Group to see how to contribute in a coordinated way with the contribution of the training provider. It can also be important to mention this platform as a tool for all EURES Staff.
- I will wait for your email for more information so as to see in what extent and if we can actively be involved
- Develop a shared learning environment of the 4 networks in next programme period (Table 5)

