

# NESET

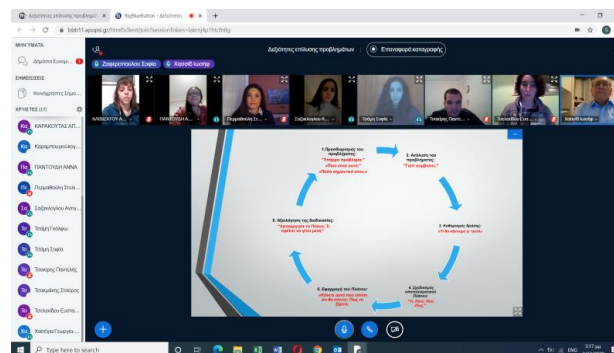
"NEETs' Empowerment for Sustainable Employment in the Tourism sector"

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The coronavirus crisis is affecting several sectors, included the NESET project: it led to delays in delivery of activities, especially those related to the training, most of which were transformed in virtual workshops and events. However, all the partners made the best efforts in order to carry out the training courses as expected by the NESET project, successfully achieving the learning objectives. Below, the main findings from some project countries related to training sessions on the NESET Skills Groups:

**GREECE** - From 06<sup>th</sup> of November 2020 to 26<sup>th</sup> of November 2020 the Life-long Learning Center **SARONIS (GR)** organised a series of online training sessions on the horizontal NESET Skills Group of "**Social and Communication Skills**". The sessions were attended by 60 participants (divided in three groups of 20 trainees) from throughout Greece, aged 15 to 29. The four training sessions that each group attended had a duration of six training hours.

After the conclusion of the training program on Social and Communication Skills, the Greek participants, based on their interests, skills and experience were divided and attended the three transversal training programs on the NESET skills groups of "**Employability Skills**", "**Entrepreneurship Skills**" and "**Validation of Skills**" in Tourism. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, those trainings took also place in the form of synchronous e-learning and were implemented from 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2020 to 08<sup>th</sup> of December 2020. Each training program had a duration of 24 hours and combined the theoretical training with group activities and role playing. The tourism related skills, knowledge and experience of the participants in the "**Validation of Skills**" program were assessed according to a set of predefined criteria and those who fulfilled them were awarded **Validation Certificates**, signed by Varna Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

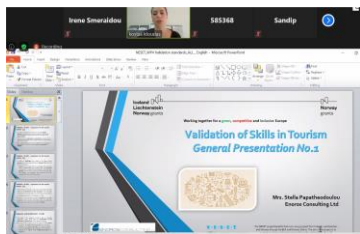


**CYPRUS** - From October the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020, and from October the 29<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> 2020, Enoros Consulting Ltd. developed the Workshops on the "Entrepreneurship Skills", of the NESET project, by using online means and digital tools. The number of all participants was 30 young people, NEETs. The Workshop was divided into 4 sessions, including diverse activities and discussions based on the subject.

The aim was to train young NEETs on the knowledge and implementation of Entrepreneurship Skills, in order to develop relevant skills that address initiative and motivation, creativity and resourcefulness, leadership and persuasion as well as adaptability and resilience.

In November 2020, Enoros Consulting Ltd. developed a series of sessions for the implementation of the Workshop on the "Validation Skills", by using online means and digital tools.

The total number of the participants was 39 young people, NEETs. The overall aim of the Validation Skills Workshop was for the young NEETs (project's target group) to reveal the occupation-related to their characteristics; highlight the occupation-related of their skills; implement self-analysis and self-assessment, based on their educational achievements and work experience as well as their skills.



**PORTUGAL** - From the 23rd to the 27th November 2020, APSU conducted a series of training sessions for young NEETs called "Entrepreneurship in the Tourism sector". The initiative was a success and the 20 youngsters felt really involved and motivated for the upcoming times. Training and validation of skills in the tourism sector is a fundamental chapter in the history of the NESET project, and APSU wrote the last pages in this direction. Twenty young people between the ages of 16 and 29, with professional experience in the sector, although not recognized through an academic degree, thus acquire an important tool for their professional career.

**CROATIA** - Besides all the COVID-19 troubles regarding training organization, VE-GO-RA has managed to organize face to face gathering for a bigger part of the participants in „Tourism Entrepreneurship Skills” training. Considering the high interest on the topic VE-GO-RA already organized an online training for all the other participants that couldn't join us live and it will take place in May. Once more it showed the

value of live meeting as the networking is always stronger face to face than online, as we can see from our experience. As previously said module will be repeated online and then we will continue with the last circle on Validation of Skills in Tourism training.



**ITALY** – TUCEP carried out the “Social and Communication Skills” sessions via Zoom platform starting from July till November 2020 involving 62 young people. Afterwards, some of these participants declared their interest in exploring the “Employability Skills” and “Entrepreneurship Skills” sessions held between December 2020 and February 2021. The tourism related skills and knowledge will be evaluated during the next “Validation Skills” sessions planned in March-April 2021.



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