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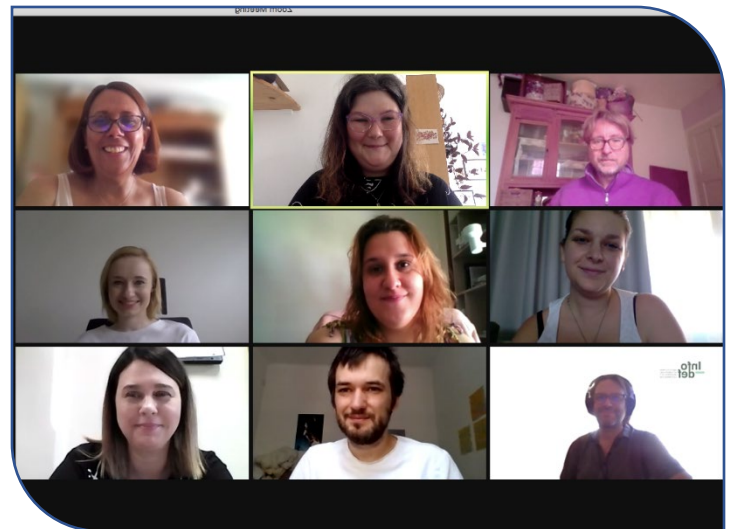
Newsletter

As the Erasmus Employment Plus project draws to a close, the partners celebrate our collaboration and share our outputs with practitioners across Europe.

Celebrating the end of the project

Throughout May-July 2021, the project partners have been sharing the project's successes in the final multiplier events, including a virtual Final Conference on 2nd July. This event included presentations from all seven project partners, as well as guest speakers including UK's Shadow Spokesperson for Skills and Education, Daisy Cooper MP. The project has continued to take place against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic. This makes discussion of how guidance practitioners

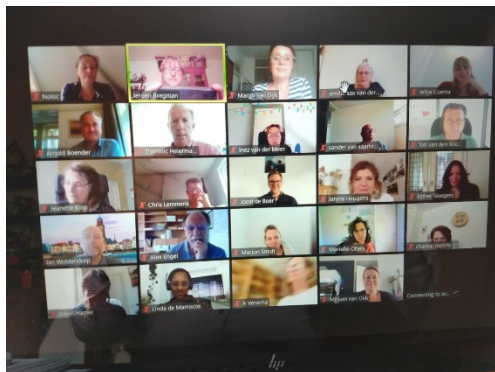
can support people with limited skills and qualifications all the more relevant. Other speakers at the event included professionals who helped with the UK piloting, working with diverse target groups such as autistic adults, refugees and asylum seekers and long-term unemployed people. Participants were able to hear about the outputs of the project, such as the new curriculum and facilitators' guide, and spend valuable time networking with people engaged in the field of careers guidance.



Project partners planning the conference in our final meeting



Keynote speaker for final conference: Daisy Cooper MP



Some of the participants at our final conference

"I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of our partners, and all of the European practitioners who have supported our project since 2018. It has been a privilege to work with you to find better ways of supporting people with limited skills and qualifications, and you have really embodied our project tagline – #itsboutpeople"
Anne-Marie Greenland – Project coordinator, 15billionebp

With our outputs now nearly complete, these will be freely available at our website:

www.erasmusemploymentplus.org

The latest outputs to be completed are:

The **skills assessment tool**, which allows practitioners to easily identify gaps in their knowledge and locate the best exercises to support them.

The **guide to quality standards and success criteria**. This useful document is a kind of 'good practice guide' with case studies from all of the partner countries. It's an indispensable tool for finding out about innovative ways of

supporting this diverse target group of people with limited skills and qualifications.

Because of Covid-19 most of the multipliers had to take place virtually, although some of the countries were very pleased to hold face-to-face events.

Multipliers took place in the partner countries of Spain, Bulgaria, Austria, Bulgaria, Poland and The Netherlands, allowing us to share the project with hundreds more people.

The pandemic has forced the project to be creative in adapting its output to virtual delivery, even though in the consultation stage most practitioners stated they

preferred face-to-face training. It is difficult to predict how quickly and how far we will return to the 'before-times' way of working, and for the UK, if one day we will be able to work on Erasmus+ projects again.

It is clear that the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic will affect the European labour market for many years to come. The work done as part of Erasmus+ Employment Plus will continue to be vital for guidance practitioners who want to best support people with limited qualifications, the majority of whom are marginalised through economic disadvantage, racism, sexism, ageism, disability and other factors.

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