

Evaluation of the transnational meeting in Piraeus (Greece) - September, 20-21, 2016 (n=23)

According to the project proposal, the meeting will be successful if the following aims are reached:

- A joint documentation of the desk-analysis and surveys containing results about RU is available.
- A joint documentation of the desk-analysis and survey containing results about KZ is available.
- Institutional analysis reports regarding all structures, departments and regulation for all PC HEI are available.
- Analysis findings could be used for creating apt competence models.
- The number of competence models is concordant with the requirements of the economic and institutional preconditions (5 HEI concepts in RU and 3 HEI concepts in KZ).

Your general assessment of the transnational meeting

	(strongly) agree (strongly) disagree				
	5	4	3	2	1
Overall aims of the meeting were achieved	17	6			
I am satisfied with the results of our meeting	15	7	1		
I am satisfied with the working process	12	9	2		
I am satisfied with the working conditions during the meeting (location, rooms, catering, support etc.)	15	3	4		

Your opinion about the benefits of the meeting

	(strongly) agree (strongly) disagree				
	5	4	3	2	1
I have got a clear picture about the institutional conditions and peculiarities for implementing a competence based approach for enhancing employability in the partner universities	15	8			
I have got a clear idea about the national conditions and peculiarities for implementing a competence based approach for enhancing employability in Kazakhstan	19	2	2		
I have got a clear idea about the national conditions and peculiarities for implementing a competence based approach for enhancing employability in Russia	18	4	1		
I have got a clear picture about the CCED model appropriate for our university	16	3		1	
I have got a clear idea about the next steps regarding dissemination activities	15	4	3	1	
I have got a clear idea about the next steps regarding evaluation activities	13	8	2		
I have got a clear idea about the next steps regarding project management activities	13	5	4		



Other benefits

The participants highlighted some other ways in which they have benefited from the meeting:

1. CCED

- I gain precise picture of the CCED model and next activities
- New visions for model of the centre for competence, correct own wishes for model of the centre of competences.
- Additional ideas for CCED

2. Getting to know and comparing different backgrounds and approaches

- I can compare different approaches of partner universities to increase the employability of their graduates and to work with different target groups, related to the project.
- Debates help me to understand different approaches between countries, universities or among "teams".
- A clear idea of common and different backgrounds for joint project realization and QA of higher education.

3. Ideas for new joint projects or further cooperation

- I have discussions concerning joint projects in some scientific co-funded granting initiatives.
- New ideas of interproject cooperation
- New contacts and basic suggestions for possible cooperation (proposals, exchange, research etc.)
- New contacts and proposals for further cooperation.
- making (...?) for other Erasmus+ proposals.

4. Individual / personal exchange of information

- Individual talks with members of the program seemed more helpful.
- Possibility to discuss in personally questions of the project realization
- I was glad to communicate with colleagues and discuss issues in the Russian education system.

5. New intercultural experience

- new experience – new city – Athens.
- Also by networking I got to know something about other cultures that are less familiar to me (... Kazakhstan).

6. News ideas for the own university

- New ideas for my university.
- I have found out some possibilities that my faculty benefit from.



7. More knowledge and information

- Yes, there were smart remarks/spin-offs which gave additional info for thinking (e.g. science-based VS economy-based education etc.)
- A lot of new knowledge regarding competencies, knowledge systems, competencies def., etc. from other participating countries. Some basic definitions were still not clearly defined, but getting there

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Suggestions for Improvement

The participants of the transnational meeting in Piraeus were asked to discuss with their university colleagues if they have any suggestions how to improve the common work in Complete project. Their statements are documented in the evaluation form which is available in www.infonex.eu. At this point the statements were clustered for getting a clear picture about the main issues and recommendations.

1. Suggestions regarding transnational meetings

- Feedback, concrete suggestions and expectations from partners while the agenda is in preparation. Active contribution is awaited.
- Better time management during the meetings; Time management; More effective time management; Better time management.
- Time limits for speakers should be kept; Time limit, please! - Time regulation, presentations and speeches have to adhere to agreed time regulations.
- We need strict rules on timekeeping. Maybe there will be a person chosen from the group to manage the time.
- заявленный регламент должен соблюдаться; можно предусмотреть время на доклад и время на вопросы по нему; внести это в программу; вовремя начинать работу.
- Speakers should speak up to the topic, less opinion-based boring talking (from Russia); The focus of the presentations has to be more (concrete) on the project topic. Sometime it contains more general information.
- Clear moderation.
- I couldn't hear all the presentations because they were too quiet. In the next meeting microphone should be used; Only speakers that speak loud and clear should be asked to present; One speaker's voice was too low in spite of requests to speak louder.
- English as conference language (translated in Russian if necessary); The language of the seminar (English) seemed hard for some participants, at some point, if it is possible the summary should be done in Russian.
- It would be interesting to hear more comments from European universities.



2. Suggestions regarding dissemination

- More information about dissemination
- to provide more opportunities for cross-country conferences, when we inform about the completion of this project together with the colleagues from other countries, like an outlook and agreed position combining and comparing practices of different countries, not only of a group from one university, making dissemination part of the project more international by its character.

3. Suggestions regarding evaluation

- More information about evaluation

4. Suggestions regarding project management and further project activities

- We should be more strict about deadlines and try to solve questions (e.g. project glossary) without any delay.
- To clarify and unify the facts and forms
- I think we must discuss summary results of research, but we must meet (?) a new model which offers approaches to creation of centre (CCED)
- I want to see a new practice, which using in Europe.
- Show the best experience of good practice of centre of competence and employability in universities-partners.
- Workshop for example for employability skills development.
- теоретические проблемы рассмотрены очень подробно, не хватило знакомства с практикой: может быть, экскурсии по университету, оценки практики организации учебного процесса, работы центров по трудоустройству и.т. п.