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*LEARNING MOBILITY FOR
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Learning mobility and internationalization is gradually embedded within formal education systems as complementary measure to foster both personal and professional skills and competencies of learners. Learning mobility is increasingly perceived and more and more adopted as an effective measure to involve **NEETs** in practical experiences abroad. Learning mobility is an integral element of many youth programmes promoting empowerment via non-formal and informal education activities. Learning mobility is integrated within measures supporting the implementation of the **Youth Guarantee**.

The conference offers a unique opportunity to decision makers and practitioners to meet each other, discuss around successful initiatives and fine tune new programmes. The conference promotes synergies and exchange of experiences between educational providers active in different sectors (VET, HE and Non formal Education) and among decision makers with different portfolios (Youth, Employment, Education).

Participants benefit from the event by establishing synergies in terms of:

- Strategic planning and benchmarking successful programmes under European Social Fund, former Lifelong Learning Programme and Erasmus+ for **decision makers**
- Innovative solutions, tools and practical measures to implement learning mobility schemes for **practitioners**

The conference aims at providing professionals the marketplace for exchanging experiences and good practices in the adoption of transnational learning mobility for engaging youngsters and contributing to better educational and employment perspectives.

Europemobility Network is an International Community of Mobility Coordinators, composed by over 240 members in 30 countries, active in VET, HE and Non Formal Education, representing over 500.000 learners, 50.000 staff members and 16.000 transnational exchanges per year:
www.europemobility.eu

Europemobility Network celebrates within the International Conference the Award Ceremony of the yearly Video Contest for mobile learners:
www.europemobility.tv

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DAY 1: 25 September 2014

Venue: Teatro Massimo, via De Magistris 12, Cagliari - SARDINIA

08.00 – 09.00	Registration of participants Mobility Exhibition
09.00 – 09.30	Welcome Europemobility Network, Giovanni Crisonà Autonomous Region of Sardinia, Francesco Pigliaru
09.30 – 09.50	Opening: European Commission <i>Cross Sectorial Partnerships for Mobility Schemes under Erasmus+</i>
09.50 – 10.10	Italian Ministry of Labour <i>Traineeships and work-based learning</i>
10.00 – 10.20	Italian Ministry of Education, Marcello Limina <i>Internationalization of education</i>
10.20 – 10.40	Eurofund, Massimiliano Mascherini <i>European Outlook on NEETs</i>
10.40 – 11.00	Italian Ministry of Labour <i>National measures supporting transnational mobility</i>
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee break & networking exercise
11.30 – 13.00	<i>Parallel Workshops</i> Round 1: Quality or Cooperation Models
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.30	Award Ceremony of 2014 Europemobility Video Contest
14.30 – 16.00	Panel among decision makers and practitioners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • German Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Bettina Reuter <i>Lessons learned from IDA Programme</i> • Piedmont Region, Nadia Cordero AFP Colline Astigiane, Matteo Gazzarata <i>Transnational Measures for practical experiences abroad based on ECVET and funded by the European Social Fund</i>, Matteo Gazzarata • Swedish National Agency for Labour, Robert Nyholm <i>UNGA IN programme</i> • Basque Government, Gotzone Sagardui Goikoetxea San Viator, Alfredo Garmendia <i>Work Placements Abroad for Disadvantaged Youngsters</i>
16.00 – 16.15	Coffee break & networking exercise
16.00 – 17.30	<i>Parallel Workshops</i> Round 2: Funding Schemes or Impact or Recognition
20.00	Social dinner



Workshops Round 1:

Quality assurance in mobility

"Improving the quality of mobility...where do I start?"

It is clear that quality assurance (QA) is one of the most important issues and concerns when students go abroad to work and to learn. Not only in terms of safety and health, but also in terms of expectations, preparation and what the students can/will achieve in terms of competences and how they will be supervised and evaluated.

The workshop is built up from two points of view of quality Assurance in mobility: "micro" quality in the context of quality in mobility at operational/ implementation level and the "macro" quality in the context of the quality of the Erasmus+ programme as such.

The first session of the workshop offers an overview of the tools developed by Europemobility Network to support quality at micro level while within the second session participants have the opportunity to formulate comments and recommendations to the European Commission on critical aspects and on solutions to improve the implementation of Erasmus+.

Moderators: Thomas Berger, Eva-Maria Kropp (Inter-research e.V – Germany),
Pauline van den Bosch (European Vocational Training Association – Belgium)

Case studies: Erasmus+ Quality Framework and Accreditation of Sending Organizations from the VET sector

Cooperation models for mobility

"How to build cross sectorial partnerships for learning mobility"

The workshop provides the opportunity to discover innovative models of cooperation among different stakeholders active in the field of learning mobility. Building on the experience of Regional Government of Catalunya, the workshop presents successful case studies and promotes a reflection among the participants on how public authorities can embed learning mobility as active measure within youth, education and employment policies. The workshop presents how public authorities, business representatives, different educational providers from Higher Education, VET and Non Formal Education can establish sustainable partnership for mobility.

Moderators: Stefano Tirati (CSCS – Italy), Rob van Wezel (KCH – The Netherlands)

Case studies: Regional Policy and International Cooperation on Learning Mobility presented by Angel Font (Generalitat de Catalunya)

Workshops Round 2:

Funding schemes for mobility

"How to benchmark and create synergies between EU programmes and national funding measures?"

In Europemobility, we have mapped over a hundred different European possible funding schemes supporting mobility in the different member states. The workshop on funding schemes promotes a reflection on how learning mobility schemes can be embedded within policy measures targeting NEETs in order to promote transition mechanisms from inactivity into employment or education. The workshop offers the experience of Sardinia Government on introducing transnational learning mobility among Youth Guarantee measures.

Moderators: Evita Marchiori (CBE – Belgium), John Gunnarsson (European Minds – Sweden)

Case studies: Youth Guarantee and Transnational Measures presented by Emanuela Atzori (Regional Employment Agency of Sardinia Government)



Impact of mobility

“How to measure the impact of learning mobility on Learners and Host Organizations?”

The workshop presents the findings of a major study conducted by the Finnish National Agency for Erasmus+ CIMO on how international skills and competences are developed through study or practical training abroad and how employers perceive international experiences accomplished by young candidates during their recruitment activities. Furthermore, the workshop presents the findings of research activities on the impact of learning mobility on mobile learners and on host organizations conducted by the Europemobility Network. Participants will be asked to comment upon the findings of the surveys and the studies and share their own views on the impact of mobility on learners and on host organizations.

Moderator: Giovanni Crisonà (CSCS – Italy)

Case studies: Impact Study conducted presented by Mika Saarinen (Director of CIMO, Erasmus+ Finnish National Agency; Impact Study conducted by Europemobility Network presented by Eva-Maria Kropp)

Recognition of mobility

“Learning outcomes and European transversal competences in mobility”

The aim of the workshop is to share successful experiences, tools and methodologies for assessing, recognizing and validating learning outcomes acquired within transnational work placements and practical experiences abroad. ISFOL presents the activities accomplished in Italy by the ECVET Experts while participants have the opportunities to exchange views on solutions applicable both to formal and informal education settings.

Moderator: Geoff Scapellhorn (Efvnet, Belgium)

Case studies: ECVET Italian Experts Team presented by Sveva Balduini, ISFOL



DAY 2: 26 September 2014

Venue: Teatro Massimo, via De Magistris 12, Cagliari - SARDINIA

09.00 – 09.10	Opening: Europemobility Network, Stefano Tirati Autonomous Region of Sardinia, Virginia Mura
09.10 – 09.30	The ESF Mobility Network and the Coordinated Call for transnational mobility projects for NEETs Italian Ministry of Labour German Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Stephanie Koenen
09.30 – 11.00	<i>Parallel Workshops – Round 1</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop n° 1 on IT Solutions for Mobility: Focus: mTransition project with mobile apps for mobility Guest speakers: Dutch Public Database of Accredited Host Organizations <i>New technologies for implementing learning mobility</i> • Workshop n° 2 on Entrepreneurship: Focus: Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme Guest speakers: European Commission, DG ENTR Christian Weinberger <i>Promoting entrepreneurial education via mobility schemes</i> • Workshop n° 3 on Employment: Focus: Your First EURES Job programme Guest speakers: EURES Italy / Aarhus Commune, Ea Nielsen <i>Making European job opportunities available</i> • Workshop n° 4 on Learning Resources for Mobility: Focus: Resilience project Guest speakers: Italian Youth National Agency / TDM 2000 <i>Personal development via non-formal education</i>
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee break & networking exercise
11.30 – 13.00	<i>Parallel Workshops – Round 2</i> <i>Workshops n° 1, n° 2, n° 3, n° 4</i>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.00	<i>Rapporteurs from Workshops Day 1 and Day 2</i>
15.00 – 16.00	Conference Conclusions “From policy and strategies to solutions” European Commission Regional Government of Sardinia Europemobility Network
16.00 – 17.30	Call for Action for new initiatives and Closure

