



Newsletter n°1 – April 2016

We are proud to bring you the first issue of the WoW newsletter, featuring general information about the project, updates on our last activities, and details about the upcoming events.

About WOW

The WoW project (“World Skills of World Youth for better employability”) brings together representatives of different sectors – educational institutions, non-profit organisations, providers of non-formal training, youth workers, and youth organizations – to develop a tool-kit with learning scenarios that bridge the gaps between youngsters' skills and the world of work via non-formal education methods. The toolkit is intended as an instrument for youth workers and will be complemented by a training course that will increase the youth workers' capacity to provide non-formal training, which can also match with the curricula in a formal education settings.

WoW is strongly motivated by the EU Agenda for new skills and jobs as future perspective, as well as by the Education and Training 2020 strategic priorities.

The project is developed by five partner institutions: [Centre for Creative Training Association](#) (Bulgaria), [Doga Schools](#) (Turkey), [FSPAC Association](#) (Romania), [Scuola di Robotica](#) (Italy), and [Universidad de Aconcagua](#) (Chile).

Learn more about the WoW project from the project web-site: <http://www.wowyouth.eu/en/whatiswow.html>



The first steps in WOW project work

Our kick-off project meeting took place in Genoa (Italy), at the end of November 2015. Besides from administrative, logistical, organizational, and financial issues, we discussed about the tool-kit with learning scenarios that will represent the main outcome of this project, creating together a mind map and a template for each partner to work on once they got back to their home countries.



Working session from the meeting in Italy >>>

The WOW workshop in Chile

After we all spent weeks creating the drafts of the learning scenarios, it was time to discuss and refine them during our first international workshop in Chile, where we met from 14th to 18th March 2016. Several new concepts and countless ideas shared during many hours of work lead to the development of an intermediate form of the scenarios. Working together on creating innovative non-formal learning tools might not sound as an extremely difficult task, but it sure is very challenging, especially when our original ideas don't really coincide.



Working session from the Chile Workshop

During our stay in Chile, apart from the working sessions, our partners from Universidad de Aconcagua facilitated official meetings with representatives of the local authorities and of the national agency, responsible for employment and training. At these meetings we presented the situation of youth unemployment in our countries, the employers' expectations, and the competences' deficits.



Presentations in San Felipe



Group photo in front of UAC San Felipe

The discussions helped everybody understand more the profiles of the different target groups we are working for within this project, therefore our deliverables will be better targeted and adapted to their needs and expectations.

Link to the Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E5MoZQCMPPU&feature=youtu.be>

What's next?

Our next workshop will take place in Istanbul, Turkey from June 19th till June 25th 2016, where we will test the scenarios with the help of youth workers from our organizations. Looking forward to bringing you news on the evolution of our project! Stay tuned!

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