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What is SocVoc?

SOCial VOCational, SocVoc, is a start-up European project in which educators from five different countries make their best practices and creative training available to prisoners in an open, digital learning environment and by giving training and presentations at various events.

The core of the project is to develop an easy-to-use guidebook consisting of good practices of methodologies of learning social skills to low-skilled adult learners while they are learning a profession and train the teachers how to use this information available on the project website. And at the same time offering exercise opportunities, digital and non-digital, on the matter to the learners in prison. In this way they can get started with the processing of the social skills, combined with getting to know a digital environment and starting to use it.If you'd like to learn more about what this project entails you can click here.

Second Transnational Meeting

After the transnational meeting in Netherlands project partners continued to perform project tasks and, of course, the preparations for the next meeting in Tallinn also began.



Between the two meetings also fell the major event of prison education - the EPEA conference in Norway, Tonsberg. Three representatives of the SocVoc project partner- country's managed to participate there and information about the ongoing project was also shared in the networking and coffee break

conversations. As the project progresses, it is planned to share the results also in the EPEA newsletter.

The transnational meeting in Tallinn, Estonia started on the morning of July the 5th, when the participants had to find the right building and door while wandering through the extensive road repair labyrinths. It was a good opportunity for the meeting in the centre of Tallinn, to use the European Union House seminar room. This seminar room was located in a secured area, i.e. all guests had to go through a security gate (like at an airport).





After a short welcome introduction and an introduction to Estonian prison education system the day was dedicated to monitoring the activities of the project, how to improve the effectiveness of the activities and increase their impact on the inmates in vocational education. and to improve their social skills. We also discussed the organization of the third meeting.



The evening was filled with a cultural walk in Tallinn's old town and ended with all partners dinner with a panoramic view.





The agenda for the second day, July 6th, included a study visit to Tallinn Prison, where Angela Allik, head of the intervention activities department and Mare Lilleorg, prison education manager of Tallinn Construction School introduced the Estonian prison system and talked about the conditions of arranging vocational training and digital learning opportunities in prison. We also met vocational teachers for questions and answers.

In the afternoon the meeting continued in the TCS computer class for guidance on using the project's website and making decisions about next steps. Of course, there was also a quick tour through this very modern, well-equipped school building.





Would you like to learn more?

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