



Conference, Râmnicu Vâlcea 2011 Intercultural Dialogue in Education: Training teacher for the future





Sharing best practices through European Projects



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For the beginning, here we are:



**City Hall Coats of arms
(Primaria Municipiului
Râmnicu Vâlcea)**

- **The capital of the county is Ramnicu Valcea Municipium, which lays at the confluence of Olt and Olanesti Rivers, at the bottom of Capela, Petrisor and Cetatuia hills.**



Vâlcea County's School Inspectorate



Vâlcea County's School Inspectorate is a public institution, which provides professional guidance, coordination and control at the highest professional standards for education and training institutions in order to help increase the quality of educational services, continuous improvement and efficiency of the national system education and its compatibility with European systems.

Vâlcea County's School Inspectorate, acting on the law, aims to create an environment conducive to learning, stimulating and motivating the long life learning process, providing equal chances for all citizens.



How?



- Providing constant guidance and consultancy in Projects management;
- Stimulating all teachers to participate at the lifelong learning process through Comenius grants for teacher mobility and all school units to get involved in Comenius/Leonardo da Vinci projects;
- Creating the framework for best practices exchange at all levels;
- Sharing experience and best practices on educational issues with all European countries;
- Enhancing intercultural dialogue in teacher training;
- implementing European projects and projects co-founded from European Funds.



Our vision:

Integration of European set of values in Vâlcea County's schools.



- Providing professional development workshops and training for teachers interested in implementing projects;
- Setting up a network of teachers – responsible for educational projects and European Programme in each school unit

- Developing the European dimension in all school units through the structured programme and actions, best practices exchange, dissemination activities and constant monitoring and valorization.

- Integrate Vâlcea County's school units in the European network of high qualified teachers, increasing the number of teachers and students participating in European projects.



DISEMINATION



In the school year 2009- 2010, 30 teachers from Vâlcea County got Comenius grants for individual Mobilities for professional development.

There is an on-line professional discussion group, mie_vl@yahooogroups.com through which all participants on this kind of mobilities can disseminate and share their experience.

Our department for Educational projects and European Programme have had organized special meetings, courses and workshops on these aspects, aiming to increase the number of applicants and enhance the level of implementation of all new acquired knowledge.



MONITORING



- The purpose is to use these activities in a way that leads to an overall improvement of the organizational practices within schools, reinforcing their autonomy, boosting the learning process and the pupils' engagement.
- These activities are planned to monitor and support the schools' educational performance in order to achieve a better knowledge about the processes of execution of educational policies related to education, guidance, teaching.



Comenius Mobility



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- ❑ **There are 16 teachers from Vâlcea County that applied at second round 2011 for Comenius**

Mobilities



Teachers from Vâlcea County that got financed at first round 2011 for Comenius Mobilities



Nr. Crt.	Numele	Prenumele	Profesia	Institutia candidatului	Loc. inst.	Cod curs	Titlul stagiului
1	NITU	JENICA RAMONA	PROFESOR LIMBA FRANCEZA	SCOALA MILITARA DE SUBOFITERI JANDARMI "GRIGORE ALEXANDRU GHICA"	DRAGA SANI	BE-2011-162-001	FORMATION CONTINUEE POUR LES PROFESSEURS DE FRANCAIS LANGUE ETRANGERE
2	PAUSESCU	IOANA CONSUELA	INVATATOR PROGRAM "ADOUA SANSA"	SCOALA CU CLASELE I-VIII NR. 8 COLONIE RAMNICU VALCEA	RAMNICU VALCEA	FI-2011-092-005	ACTION METHODS IMPROVING MOTIVATION AND QUALITY IN LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS
3	RADU	RAMONA	PROFESOR LIMBA ENGLEZA	GRUP SCOLAR INDUSTRIAL "GENERAL MAGHERU"	RAMNICU VALCEA	UK-2011-1218-002	DRAMA TECHNIQUES FOR THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASSROOM
4	DIACONESCU	ELENA LAVINIA	EDUCATOARE	GRADINITA CU PROGRAM PRELUNGIT "NICOLAE BALCESCU"	RAMNICU VALCEA	ES-2011-294-001	LET'S TEACH BY PLAYING





5	NEACSU	ELEONORA STELUTA	PROFESOR DE MATEMATICA	GRUP SCOLAR ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATIV SI DE SERVICII	CALIMANE STI	SI-2011- 034-002	NEW WAYS OF TEACHING MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS - PRACTICAL AND CROSS-CURRICULAR APPROACH
6	DIRLECI	GINA- EUGENIA	INVATATOR	COLEGIUL NATIONAL DE INFORMATICA "MATEI BASARAB"	RAMNICU VALCEA	UK-2011- 1293-001	ONE WEEK COURSE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS: VISITS TO BRITISH SCHOOLS.
7	SALISTE	IOANA MIHAELA	EDUCATOARE	GRADINITA CU PROGRAM PRELUNGIT "NORD 2"	RAMNICU VALCEA	IT-2011- 625-012	ECOSISTEMA BAMBINO - IL METODO ETOLOGICO AL SERVIZIO DEL CUCCILO DELL'UOMO
8	MILOIU	MARIA	PROFESOR DE BIOLOGIE	GRUP SCOLAR "CONSTANTIN BRANCOVEANU"	HOREZU	FR-2011- 295-002	LE JARDIN, MONUMENT VIVANT. PEDAGOGIE DU PATRIMOINE DES JARDINS EN EUROPE.
9	STANCUT	IOANA	PROFESOR LIMBA ENGLEZA	SCOALA CU CLASELE I-VIII MAGURA-MIHAESTI	SAT MAGURA, COM. MIHAESTI	UK-2011- 1330-001	LANGUAGE AND METHODOLOGY: A REFRESHER COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH (LAM)
10	IONESCU	MARCELA	PROFESOR LIMBA ENGLEZA	SCOALA CU CLASELE I-VIII "NICOLAE BALCESCU"	DRAGASANI	UK-2011- 1186-003	FOCUS ON SCOTLAND - 2 WEEK COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH AT SECONDARY LEVEL: DUNFERMLINE.





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Mobilities



The Transversal Programme: Study visits



- 2009, none
- 2010, three
- 2011, four
- Getting to work in the same team with responsible factors in the field of education from all Europe, principals, headmasters , inspectors will enhance their personal knowledge and professional skills.
- Personal contacts will increase the chances of developing new projects.



Some of the Study visits:



- **Study Visit 196 “Quality in Education”-**
March 20-24, 2010, The Hague, beneficiary
Prof. Gabriela Ana Ene





- **Study Visit 211," A different approach to teacher training - Anatolian teacher high schools", may 2-6 2011, beneficiary prof. Mădălina Adriana Popescu**




Comenius projects in Vâlcea County

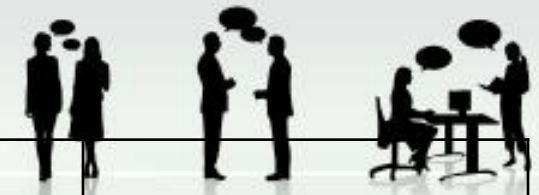



No.	Name of the project	Applicant
1.	„Building bridges between countries through leadership in sports” Comenius Regio	ISJ
2.	ACT4RIVERS – Acti Citizens for Freshwater Ecosystems 141978-LLP-1-2008-1-AT COMENIUS-CMP Comenius Centralizat	CCD
4.	EUROLUDIX 09-PM-293-VL-FR Comenius multilateral	Grup Scolar George Tarnea Băbeni





<p>5.</p>	<p>Mission: Clean Earth 09-PM-286-VL-TR Comenius multilateral</p>	<p>Scoala cu cls. I-VIII Colonie Rm. Valcea</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Using aromatics herbes and aromats in traditional recipes 09-PM-284-VL-FR Comenius multilateral</p>	<p>Scoala cu cls.I-VIII Nr.10 Rm. Valcea</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>European Teenagers Share languages and Reflections through Drama 09-PM-282-VL-ES Comenius multilateral</p>	<p>Scoala Tudor Vladimirescu Dragasani</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>An ethnical and responsible teenager consumer on the european market 08-PM-105-VL-PL Comenius multilateral</p>	<p>Grup Scolar Oltchim Rm.Valcea </p>



9.	Living Our Environment in Europe 08-PM-138-VL-BG Comenius multilateral	Colegiul Tehnic Forestier Rm.Valcea
10.	Following the famous scientists 08-PM-199-VL-PL Comenius multilateral	Scoala cu cls. I-VIII Nr.13 Rm.Valcea
11.	Name the Game 10-PM-361-VL-BE Comenius multilateral	Grup Scolar Preda Buzescu Berbești
12.	Bully: How to prevent Bullying in School 10-PM-350-VL-IT Comenius multilateral	Scoala cu cls.I-VIII I.Gh.Duca Rm. Valcea
13.	Using Colors , Sweeteners and calories in Food Products 10-PM-344-VL-EE Comenius multilateral	Scoala cu cls. I-VIII Stoilesti 

VALORIZATION



Good practices examples:
"Following the famous scientists"

http://www.scoala13valcea.ro/comenius_2008-2010.htm

EUROLUDIX

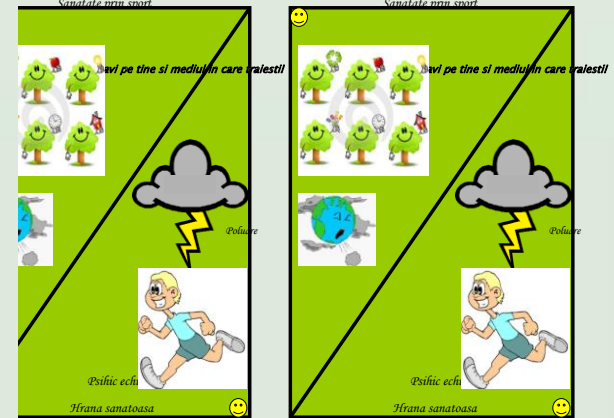
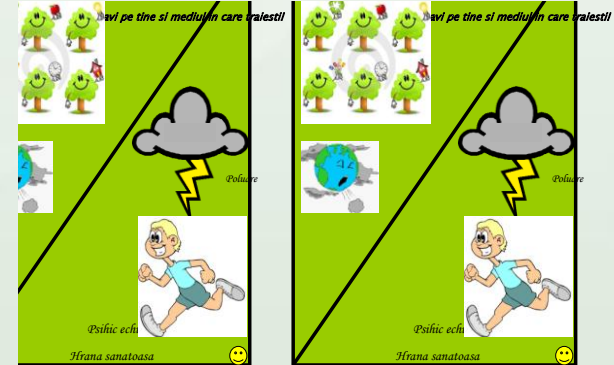
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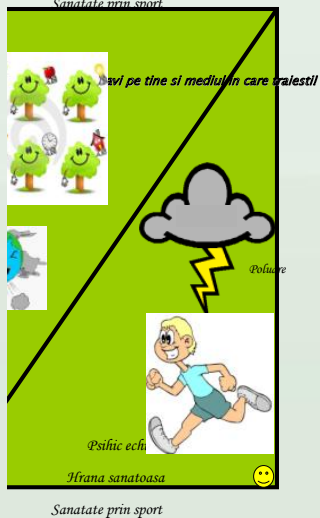




REGIO Project

“Building bridges between countries through leadership in sports”





Leonardo da Vinci Projects at ISJ Valcea



- „ Students volunteers in community action programe”;
- „ Carrier guidance in European Union”;
- „Multimedia and interactivity as tools for improvement of teaching methods in secondary level”
LLP-LdV/PLM/2010/RO/144



POS DRU Projects



- **„Toți diferiți - toți egali - Asigurarea accesului la educație a tuturor grupurilor dezavantajate din regiunea S-V”**
- **„Toți la grădiniță - toți în clasa I”,** proiect ce vizează incluziunea sociala a grupurilor dezavantajate
- **„Cunoașterea gradului de inserție profesională a absolvenților IPT- o noua abordare a ofertei educaționale”,** ID 50820;
- **„Creșterea capacității de absorbție a absolvenților IPT pe piața muncii, prin monitorizarea inserției socio-profesionale ”,** ID 57 677;
- **„Școala viitorului!” – Împreună pentru o societate bazată pe cunoaștere”,** ID 20765, aiming to increase the level of education and academic performance of students from all social categories;





- **„Pași către viitor!” – dezvoltarea serviciilor de consiliere și orientare școlară, ID:29849**, providing specialized assistance for guidance in order to enhance students’ self awareness and active participation in education , personal and professional development for students.
- **„Proces educațional optimizat in viziunea competențelor societății cunoașterii”**, ID:25952, as partener of MECTS;
- **„Corelarea ofertei educaționale a învățământului profesional și tehnic cu cerințele pieței muncii”**, Beneficiar CJRAE, ID:37932;
- **„ Pași spre o cariera europeana - consilierea si orientarea cu suport digital”**, ID:17172, beneficiar: CJRAE;
- **„Oportunități de consolidare a carierei in societatea cunoașterii in regiunea SV Oltenia”**, ID: 15196, beneficiar: SIVECO;



FAQ



Q How to increase the number of Comenius grants for professional development?

- A**
- Organize trainings and workshops;
 - Provide best practices examples of those more experienced.

Q How to ensure the constant increase of number of projects?

- A**
- Providing permanent consultancy and support for the implementing teams;
 - Organizing trainings and workshops.

Q How motivate the teachers?

- A**
- Dissemination of their activities through media;
 - Promoting their activities outcomes in Conferences and professional meetings.

Q What its to gain form these?

- A**
- The increasing quality of teaching level;
 - More students with increased chances to integrate on the European labor market.



- Everyone agrees that Top Three Leadership Skills are **Learn Lead Success.**
- **Filtering as** learning how to quickly decide what information is mission critical, what you need to be familiar with, and what can be filed away is one of the most important skills,
- **Fearlessness** or “Dare to go where no teacher has gone before!” (With apologies to Star Trek),
- **Foresight.**





- The Chief leads his subordinates, the leader is the promoter of any action, pulls his people after him.
- The Chief is based on authority, the leader on goodwill.
- Boss inspires fear; leader, enthusiasm..
- The Chief says "I", the leader says "we."
- Chief seeks culprits for failures; leader seeks remedies, solutions.
- Chief knows how to do something; leader shows how.
- Boss says "get to work" the leader says "**Let's go!**".





Let's go, and aim for success!





**Thank you for your
attention and
participation!**

