

COMENIUS REGIO PARTNERSHIPS 2013 –“I can do entrepreneurship too“

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Joint memorandum on the collaboration in the implementation of the project “I can do entrepreneurship too”

In accordance with the policies of the European Commission and the Lifelong Learning Programme of the European Union as well as the Croatian and Polish national educational policies, the project named “I can do entrepreneurship too!” was launched in order to strengthen and promote the entrepreneur spirit among children and young adults in Karlovac County and Igolomia.

Karlovac County in collaboration with the Polish district of Igolomia – Wawrzencyce, has signed a new project born from the Lifelong Learning Programme a subprogramme of the Comenius Regio, with the following partners: Ekonomsko-turistička škola Karlovac (School of economics and tourism Karlovac), Osnovna škola Ivana Brlić-Mažuranić in Ogulin (Ivana Brlić-Mažuranić Primary School in Ogulin), Srednja škola Slunj (High School Slunj), Turistička zajednica grada Karlovca (Karlovac Tourist Board) and Društvo “Zvono uz Kupu” (“Zvono uz Kupu” Society). The partnering institutions in Poland are the District Office for Education as the project holder in Poland, and the Wawrzencyce High School and the Centre for culture and promotion.

The main goal of this project is the promotion of entrepreneurship in schools of both region-partners through the development of sustainable European partnership among local and regional authorities, educational institutions and civil societies.

Specific aims of this project are the increase of the effect of international collaboration and idea exchange on curriculum development in the sense of developing skills related to entrepreneurship among children and young adults in primary and high schools of both regions, raising awareness of entrepreneurship and the development of positive attitudes towards lifelong learning in the field of entrepreneurship as well as the improvement and upgrade of capacities in educational institutions regarding to entrepreneurship training.

The activities that will be conducted within the project are as follow: assembling a project team and distributing assignments, holding two international conferences and two international seminars, holding a workshop on the topic of the development of a business idea and making a business plan, implementing the “Keep up with my shift” (“Prati moju smjenu”) programme and organizing a competition for the best business idea and business plan with rewards for the winners.

The results that would be achieved through this project, except for the conferences, seminars and other activities as the student’s business idea fair, are the

following: flyers, brochures and a web page for the project, the procurement of equipment (computers, projectors, cameras), a higher level of awareness about the importance of entrepreneurship among students and the implementation of experiences gained through the project in the improvement of school curricula related to strengthening the entrepreneurship spirit among children and young adults.

Therefore, we, the representatives of Karlovac County and Igolomia- Wawrzencyce, declare that we shall collaborate in order to successfully implement the project in the Comenius Regio Programme “I can do entrepreneurship too!” –“I ja se mogu baviti poduzetništvom!”.

Our common goal is to make young adults and children as well as the citizens of both partnering regions aware that being an entrepreneur is an idea developed from an early age and is the key to the success of a society.

We will teach entrepreneurship, encourage activity and award creativity!

It is our wish for our young people to have an active role in the life of both their school and community!

We will actively include all partnering institutions with the aim of contributing to the implementation of the entrepreneurship development strategy for both regions- Igolomia and Karlovac County!

ALL HOLDERS, PARTNERS AND PARTICIPANTS OF THIS PROJECT WILL BE DEDICATED TO THE MAKING OF A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT AND ENCOURAGING PERSONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF ALL INVOLVED WITH THE AIM OF STRENGTHENING THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP SPIRIT IN BOTH REGIONS!

It is our wish to continue future collaborations in the exchange of experiences in education and entrepreneurship as well as the promotion of instances of good practice!

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