

*An overview of EUE-Net and its major
objectives and outputs:
Q-Planet, CDO-Net, Enterprenaut and
Entrepreneurship Tuning*

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The EUE-Net

- 52 partners
- Building on the previous EUI-Net (2004-2007)
- More attention to enterprises: not only large but also SME's and and micro-enterprises
- Using instruments that proved effective in EUI-Net: the Annual Conferences, brainstorming meetings, a Tuning methodology on Entrepreneurship
- A strategy directly linked to Lisbon agenda

The EUE-Net approach

- Targets:
 - Structured institutional arrangements
 - The emergence of new patterns of academia – business interaction
 - To attenuate the boundaries between university and industry
 - To blur the boundaries between teaching, research and entrepreneurial activities – by creating an independent organizational environment

The 4 EUE-Net Major objectives

- Quality of *practical placements of students*
- *Network of Career Development Offices (CDO).*
- Tuning Entrepreneurship
 - defining *generic entrepreneurial skills for the students and best profile of teachers* in order to enhance the entrepreneurial approach within the University sector.
- *innovative mobility schemes involving entrepreneurs:*
 - *University (Students) to entrepreneurs*
 - *Entrepreneurs to University*

The EUE-Net special interest groups

- Quality of student practical placements – Q-PlaNet
- European Network of Career Development Offices – CDO-Net
- Entrepreneurship teaching and learning – tuning research
- Entrepreneurial mobility (Enterprenaut)

Outputs: Q-PlaNet

- a subnetwork of EUE-Net that produced:
 - A model for quality control of trans-national practical placements
 - A standard and guidelines on quality control of student practical placements
 - Experimental units devoted to quality control of trans-national student placements
 - Launching Q-PlaNet extension by
 - dissemination of the quality standard in larger Networks (EAEC), European Business Forum , etc.
 - Starting the process of accreditation and certification at European level for a structured expansion of Q-Planet

Outputs: CDO-Net

- A EUE-Net Sub-Network of CDO's Network aiming to:
- Gather together the European actors working in this area
- Evolve as an independent Network
- Exchange of experience, and in particular about the various databases for career development including:
 - Information from Enterprises (available jobs)
 - Information from University graduates looking for jobs
- Launch a debate about the creation of a unified database at European level, able to offer relevant information about demand and offer on the job market (University level of studies)

Outputs: Tuning of Entrepreneurship

- A research action within EUE-Net
- Target: to identify and create a harmonized view at European level about the generic and specific competences for Entrepreneurship courses.
- Tuning book on Entrepreneurship

Outputs: Entrepreneurship mobility

- Innovative mobility schemes:
 - University to Entrepreneurs
 - Entrepreneurs to University
- 2 Entrepreneurship mobility experiments and report
- Guidelines for a European programme on Entrepreneurship mobility

Other outputs

- Conference proceedings, website, newsletters
- EUE-Net Agenda 2010-2013
 - A brainstorming session at the end of the project

EUE-Net annual events

7-8 February 2008, Brasov, Romania, **The EUE-Net Kick-off meeting and Workshop on Quality Control of Students Practical Placement in Enterprises**

29 April – 3 May 2009, Nicosia, Cyprus,
The 5th EUE-Net Conference and GA, co-located with ERACON 2009

15-18 April 2010, Vienna, Austria,
The 1st European Career Convention CareerCon 2010 and the EUE-Net GA

Lesson learned

- Pioneering ideas, structured approach, many steps forwards
- Some ideas – more difficult to implement than initially anticipated

Examples:

- Q-PlaNet: Creation of Reference Centres in the countries without such institutions
→ very difficult and probably not possible without Gov/ EU incentive
- CDO-Net: Federating databases of all CDO's revealed a very complex technical approach needed. The Network should be very strong to first to enable a sustainable Federation
- Enterprenaut: Entrepreneurs presence in their own company is critical. Even short mobility flows are difficult to organize.
- Tuning: More and more difficult to conduct research based on answering questionnaires !!!
some countries → target groups hardly accept to answer). Other info collecting need to be invented (in

Conclusion

- EUE-Net is nowadays known, visible and acknowledged in Europe
- Defined and developed pilots showing the mainstream focus of U-E cooperation in Europe:
 - Quality of trans-national student placements
 - Networking CDOs in Europe and federating databases
 - Identification of entrepreneurial competences
 - Innovating and experimenting mobility schemes for entrepreneurs
- What continuation ?

EUE-Net Final Workshop

- To present Achievements and Lesson learned
- To brainstorm on the continuation of EUE-Net
- The main question: "What other forms could U-E cooperation embrace ?"
- EUE-Net was always identifying the new axes in Europe. Let's define the new path !



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THANK YOU ALL

for the fruitful cooperation!

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