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Mind the Gap: Migration NEEDS Integration

Report of the project meeting in Elazig Anadolu Teknik Lisesi-Teknik

17th to 22th March 2009

The second transnational management meeting was held at Elazig Anadolu Teknik Lisesi-Teknik in Elazig, Turkey 17th to 22nd March 2009

Representatives from all the nine partner schools from Bulgaria, Finland, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Portugal, The Netherlands and Turkey attended the meeting.

The project meeting started on 18th March with ice breaking activities between participants and a welcome dinner at hotel Akgun in Elazig. The coordinator of the project - Mr. Alberto Cardoso welcomed participants. Welcome message/speech was made by the Head of the Educational Directorate - Mr. Abdullah ALTAY and the Principal of Elazig Anadolu Teknik Lisesi-Teknik. Teachers of the Turkish partner school attended the dinner. The delegates were entertained with an excellent programme of a folk performance from the student's dance group from "Elazig Anatolian Technical High School" and "Industry Vocational High School":

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qt3VSrKEEK4>

Project activities:

19th March - morning session:

All delegates visited and saw the work of "Elazig Anatolian Technical High School" and "Industry Vocational High School" where the Deputy Principal welcomed the group. Partners visited classrooms, computer labs, labs of electronics, workshops and ateliers, school's library, teacher's room, principals' rooms and others with the help of our hospitable Turkish colleagues.

Project coordinators held a meeting with the Head of the Educational Directorate – Mr. Abdullah ALTAY who introduced them to the Turkish Educational System. The coordinator of the project "Mind the Gap – Migration Needs Integration" – Mr. Alberto Cardoso presented the Portuguese flag and the flag of Oliveira do Bairro to the Directorate. Another meeting was held with the Governor of the Elazig Region – Mr Muammer Erol.

All participants visited Elazig city center and after lunch at an Elazig teacher's house they had talks about the objectives of the partnership, about main aspects of the project work, our tasks and project activities.

Afternoon session:

Project participants worked at KEBAN meeting room in Akgun hotel, Elazig on Project Module 2 – “Laws and Rules”

Five presentations were held in the afternoon.

Mr. Rasim Toprak, a teacher at “Mercator Berufscolleg”, Germany presented his biography as a teacher with immigration background. He told about: his family; a history of their immigration; his life in Germany – kindergarten, schools’ years; friends; marriage; traditions; advantages of an immigration background; reasons of his migration successful – “I feel at home in Germany and I don’t see myself as an immigrant anymore”.

Mrs. Laura Pires – the Deputy of the Town Hall of Oliveira do Bairro, Portugal presented their integration strategy for migrants. She outlined: the dimension of integration; ideas of integration; integration strategy at school; difficulties.

Mrs. Claudia Iannello and Mrs. Saverina Ferraro - teachers at “Istituto Professionale di Stato – Sandro Pertini”, Italy presented the topic “Intercultural integration”

Mrs. Aldona Mocevičienė from “Plunges Zemes ukio ir verslo mokykla”, Lithuania presented the Lithuanian Politics about migrants and refugees.

Mrs. Leena Pekkanen from “LUOVI vocational institution” Finland – presented the topic “Education of migrants”

20th March - morning session:

Project participants watched and analyzed the video clips made by the students of the different partner schools at KEBAN meeting room in Akgun hotel, Elazig.

Mr. Waldemar Skorczik from “Mercator Berufscolleg”, Germany informed partners about the team working and the produced materials to date. He described a possible structure of the students’ biographies (Power Point Presentations) which partners need to prepare for next meeting in Finland and demonstrated a student’s video clip.

Mr. Andreas Brett from “Mercator Berufscolleg”, Germany described and analyzed an interview he had made with his migrant student from Georgia. He has asked her all questions by the project “Interview Questionnaire”; <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uri3f7MQ0MA>

Mr. Henk Brinks from “Koning Willem I College”, The Netherlands demonstrated two video – interviews with migrant students from Iran and Turkey. He described their promotional team at College and answered many participants’ questions. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fFsP4Jrgp70>

Ms Donka Georgieva, a teacher at IV Language School “Frederic Joliot-Curie”, Varna presented video-interviews with: minority student; migrant teacher from English Academy, Varna and the Spanish teacher who work at the same school.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fcj6uKuT9Yc>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=24wKYV7axZI>

Afternoon session:

Ms Claudia Iannello and Ms Saverina Ferraro - teachers at “Istituto Professionale di Stato – Sandro Pertini”, Italy presented their interviews with student migrant from Poland and another student migrant from Turkey. They showed the high quality Italians’ students idea of our project acronym.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q9EYEv4_M4E

Ms Lidia Stasane and Ms Lidia Locmele from “Siguldas vakara vidusskola”, Latvia presented student’s interview; their school’s practice - “How to integrate migrant students in Sigulga Evening School” and the Latvian politics about migrants.

Mr. Andreas Brett from “Mercator Berufscolleg”, Germany demonstrated the video-clip with migrant student from Georgia.

Ms Serap Karakus a teacher at “Elazig Anatolian Technical High School” presented Turkish students interviews.

Mr. Alberto Cardoso – the project coordinator presented two student interviews from Portugal and discussed with partners their tasks for the next project meeting in Finland from 03.06.2009.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3scCsSA8rc>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y_EJtAe1LKk

He brought to a conclusion the project activities on the meeting and thanked participants and the host school.

The project meeting in Elazig has been covered in local newspaper – TURAN.

The hospitable partners from Elazig Anatolian Technical and Vocational High School organized a rich cultural program: Visiting Harput – the old settlement centre of population for Elazig; Visiting the Keban barrage and Keban City centre.

The participants of the meeting had an opportunity to try traditional Turkish specialties and sweets - Ottoman cuisine, local food and to introduce to folk dances and songs typical for the Elazig region.

The Turkish project team provided an excellent programme of activities and showed professionalism in their organization allowing the delegates to fully participate making the second project “MINT” meeting successful and fruitful.

