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"Personalised Youth Work" is a European project with 4 organisations from 4 countries: UK, Austria, Cyprus and Bulgaria.

The project is aimed at enabling youth workers to apply a personalised learning approach when working with young people seeking to enhance their employability, with a particular focus on needs assessment and developing adequate intervention strategies.

Current Progress

Following completion of our 2 main outputs of the project, all partners have successfully pilot tested the Personalised Youth Work Methodology alongside the Personalised Youth Work Toolbox. The piloting process involved identifying, training and engaging 64 youth workers/trainers/professionals working with young people on how to apply the PYW methodology and the PYW toolbox.

The selected youth workers applied in real context the materials developed by the PYW project during their activities with 126 young people (learners).

Feedback-

Overall, the feedback was very positive, with the professionals stating that the tools, templates and worksheets were "very useful", "Valuable" to use in daily practice. It was also mentioned that they found them "comprehensive, practical and innovative"

The general feedback from the young people was also extremely positive with the professionals stating that the young people found the tools "engaging, interesting, interactive and helpful". The learners felt perceived as individuals, persons with individual situations, problems and needs.

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"It was extremely useful to apply the methods and tools, in terms of providing personalised learning plans and detecting the individual learning gaps of learners"

"For me, the methodology was very interesting. It provides a concise approach to the challenges of having diverse learners and their level of skills and competences in one group. Together with the tools, i offered individual solutions and learning plans to my participants"

"I was a bit reluctant to join this event. I simply came because my friend asked me too. I want to thank him though as he was the reason i changed my mind about youth work's value. The entire experience was not only helpful to assess where i need improvements on, but also to feel someone really cared about my needs too"

"I participate in a lot of activities for young people as i belong to a youth organisation, but this is one of the rare moments i saw some personal benefit because of the personalised nature of this activity"

Following rigorous evaluation from the pilot testing, there were no changes to be made to the methodology or toolbox created by the partnership for the Personalised Youth Work project.

Therefore, the next step for the project is for each partner to hold Multiplier / awareness raising events in their country. The aim of these events will be to promote the project's approach to youth work and highlight the achievements of this exciting and innovative project.





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