



VOLCANO

Vocational Language for Care and New Opportunities for Migrants



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The European project V.O.L.C.A.N.O (Vocational Language for Care and New Opportunities for Migrants) is preparing to receive its first students.

Learning institutions in Croatia, Italy, Germany, Norway and Scotland have since 2015 been cooperating on developing a vocational language course that aims to create new opportunities for migrants and refugees aiming to work within the care sector.

There is a clear increase in the demand for work force within the care sector in Europe, a demand that is expected to continue to grow in the coming years. Many countries are already experiencing a shortage of care personnel and are coping with the situation by employing staff without any formal education. Many potential care workers need to accrue more skills and knowledge about the local language, culture and care sector before starting work as care staff. The VOLCANO project meets these challenges.

The partners develop locally designed courses designed to fit migrants who already have a basic understanding of the local language. The VOLCANO course can be a door opener for a potential career in health care.

The project is now in its second year and we are about to enter perhaps the most exciting part of the project; interacting with actual students. Next on our agenda will be to pilot courses, curriculums and tools that have been developed as part of the project. During spring 2017 we aim to complete the two pilot courses with 15 participants on each course in each of the five participating countries respectively.

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In Croatia the 30 candidates have already been selected³) through a successful cooperation between the partner school Dante and the local Red Cross. Dante is also cooperating with the Croatian Employment Service. They hope that the CES will recognize the initiative and give the participants who complete the course a chance to work and apply their newly acquired knowledge, skills and abilities.

The Italian partner, Associazione N.E.T is focusing mainly on women aged between 30 and 50 years from Moldova and Romania who work in private houses, caring for the elder family member of the household. Their courses will take place at Cooperativa Sociale Coges of Mestre (Venice). After this phase they will proceed with the organization of work placements within public or private structures engaged in the care sector.

The German partner will organize their courses in two different cities in Bavaria over a longer period.

In Norway the pilot courses will take place in January/February 2017 over a period of six weeks. The participants are recruited through the cooperation with different local stakeholders. We also wish to keep some spaces open for open, public registration. In October 2016 teachers from all partners were gathered for a Train the Trainer course in Glasgow to get inspiration for new and creative ways of teaching and to share thoughts and experience with each other. We are eager to get started with the pilot courses and looking forward to meeting our first students.

Read more about the project on our website: <http://volcano-europe.org/>