ESCOLA AGRÀRIA DE VALLFOGONA DE BALAGUER

ERASMUS POLICY STATEMENT (EPS)

Participation Erasmus+

The objective of our school is to participate in the Erasmus+ programme in the future. In the Key Action 1 (KA1) of learning individual mobility project for higher education students and staff:

- o Student mobility for studies
- o Student mobility for traineeships
- o Staff mobility for teaching
- o Staff mobility for training
- o Blended intensive programmes

For the moment we have not taken part in mobility actions in the NVQ since livestock and assistance in animal health is new to our school.

Strategy, objectives and impact

Our school in Vallfogona de Balaguer participates in the programme Erasmus+ (VET) with students from the NVQ in agriculture and livestock production. Every year, the school has been sending 2 students to take part in internships in Finland.

As we have mentioned in the previous section, our wish is to participate, from now on, in the Erasmus+ programme by sending abroad between 2 and 4 students from the higher NVQ of in livestock and assistance in animal health, every year.

Our plan is also to increase the destinations. In the case of Finland, we already have this contact and our objective is to stabilize the contact with them.

We expect that our participation in Erasmus contribute in the next aspects:

- To improve the quality and relevance of teaching and researcher training, to equip graduates with the knowledge and core transferable competences they need to succeed in high-skill occupations.

- To provide more opportunities for students to gain additional skills through study or training abroad, and to encourage cross-border co-operation to boost higher education performance; Our students will gain enormous additional skills, not only learning new methods and points of view, but also learning and practicing languages and cultural matters. That will help to become more cohesive by improving the European Union relations.

In addition, we will establish corrective actions and reviews at the end of each course in order to improve the detected weakness of our international organization. We will schedule a meeting at the end of every course with the teachers involved in the project and with the students that have been to an Erasmus internship as well as the students that will go the next year.

We would like to achieve the following objectives by participating in the Erasmus Programme:

O1. Follow a determined strategy line of Internationalization of our Institution by cooperation with different partners in order to promote mobility of students and staff in different institutions of the framework.

O2. This internationalization will be oriented to bring to everybody, especially for those with fewer opportunities. It will be realised with non-discrimination, transparency and inclusion.

O3. The results of International mobility promoted by Erasmus Programme will be disseminated in our educational community to promote new actions.

The Erasmus programme is very important for our internationalization and modernization strategy:

It allows having available resources for all students and teachers (languages, contacts, finances).
It connects our centre with other institutions and companies to develop educational and technological updates.

- It favours the personal skills of the participants, not only language but also other values development.

The impact on our institution by taking part in the Erasmus+ programme is the following:

Students and staff participating in Erasmus+ programmes will achieve broader skills and international background, which will improve the quality and renown of our institution.

Our objective is to make sure that the satisfaction level of the students is high enough, meaning that our management between our school, the school of the foreign country and the students is correct and satisfying for all the participants on the programme.

Indicators

We have a standardized procedure in Catalonia (Spain region) through a computer system web based called Qbid: https://www.empresaiformacio.org/sBid. In this application the students fill a form at the end of the exchange period in which they validate and evaluate his experience in the Erasmus Programme.

Our indicators are the results of this poll. Our objective is to get on average of 8/10 from the results of this poll from all the students answers.