



OBEC

One Block for Educational Credentials



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This project is co-funded by the European Commission through the Erasmus+ Programme under the call KA204 - Strategic Partnerships for adult education.

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Training sessions completed!

Over the winter of 2021-2022, the OBEC partners have implemented different upskilling training sessions developed by them according to their areas of expertise. Training included topics such as how to become an entrepreneur, responsible entrepreneurship, circular economy, tailoring, gaming, as well as logic & critical thinking.

In total, the training sessions had a duration of 335h, and gathered 180 participants, having exceeded the target of 120h and 50 participants.

Each learner was invited to create a profile on ECTA, a platform for registering competencies based on Blockchain. ECTA allows skills and qualifications to be issued to learners in a transparent and credible way. Its main benefits include total authenticity, decentralisation, trust and immutability, less bureaucracy, and direct interaction between learners and academia with recognition of acquired competencies.

What is OBEC?

OBEC is a project exploring how Blockchain technology can be used to promote recognition of skills and qualifications. It is doing this by testing out an innovative system for issuing and validating learning credentials. OBEC's ultimate goal is to encourage the professional and academic integration of migrants, exchange students, and individuals with alternative learning backgrounds.

Experience from testing phase of training

Each partner collected insights from at least three participants as well as from the trainers to learn more about their experience through the training. The collected insights are currently being developed into videos that will illustrate participants' impact and impressions of the training.

Recommendations for use of Blockchain

Currently, the partners are organizing the impressions and information gathered throughout the project into guiding material, which will also collect case studies and recommendations for the use of Blockchain technology in the educational field. The material will be presented during upcoming events organized by the consortium in all partner countries.

Staff training completed

The partners recently came together in Italy for a week of joint activities. During the first two days, the partners had a meeting to coordinate the final stages of the project. Then, for three days trainers exchanged their experience from the training, impressions about the goals of the project and recommendations for future uses of Blockchain in the educational sector.

Training counted on the participation of Alessandro Aldini, an expert in Blockchain and Associate Professor in Computer Science at the University of Urbino "Carlo Bo".

Events Coming Up

Events are being organized in each partner country until September to share the results of the OBEC project as well as the findings and reflections regarding the use of Blockchain technology in the educational sector. Check out our partners' social media platforms for more information about the events!

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