

# The InnMain Bulletin



MEETING IN KOCAELI—TURKEY

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## 1. The Project InnMain consolidates



An overview of the conference room

One year after the birth of InnMain, it has become apparent that this organization has a bright future. On the second InnMain-Meeting in

Kocaeli, a group of 31 people from different European countries came together. In addition two representatives of the CFI (Jean-Luc and Monir) and one from Hogeschool Utrecht (Sil) have joined us, who are already part of our family.

Honestly, it will be very difficult to surpass the extraordinary reception that our hosts have shown us. Well over what we would had imagined, all technical and material details were

coached carefully. Mr Özcan Bedel who led the great team made sure that everything went well. He welcomed us with a few words in English which thrilled all participants. And he didn't miss the good humor: he and Wim analyzed the proper role of such important Turkish institutions as the football team Galatasaray...



### Points of interest

- KNOWING BETTER THE STRATEGIES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
- PREPARING FUTURE COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS
- FOCUSED ON IMPROVING PEOPLE, TEACHERS AND STUDENTES
- BEING MAVERICK
- KNOWING COMBINE EXCELLENCE WITH FRIENDSHIP



## 2. The media is present!

On this occasion the media echoed our meeting, the press and television. The latter held an interview with the principal of Izmit and the coordinator of InnMain.



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Asli and Hasan: without both of you the meeting would not have been possible. Thank you very much!

## 3 New skills for new jobs

One of the main objectives of InnMain is promoting with the same issues of concern in the European Union. Arturo gave a brief resume of the guidelines of the European Commission and their strategy for 2020. After that all

groups presented their own conclusions.

This topic is of special important for schools. For them it is essential to know the future trends; to identify better the skills they have to teach to their students; to be

truly productive and innovative; to provide businesses with appropriate training activities to upgrade the skills of the employees; and to maintain close contact with companies and social demands of productivity.



## 4 Students' requirements for going abroad

"WE DO THIS FOR OUR STUDENTS"

Wim Appels



Since InnMain is an educational association, students are 'key players' within the work of the members. We would like to create a mobility programme that is

efficient in the future: we are not in a hurry, but we want to do it well.

In Düsseldorf items EQF and ECVET were studied as a basis for future exchange programmes. In this occasion all schools filled in a form to compare themselves with each other, as an exercise to prepare the future students' mobility.

The different possibilities of Leonardo Mobility Programs

were introduced, as well as the Erasmus forms. Arturo presented a proposal based on descriptors, in order to create a Mobility Windows Matrix. Now we have to standardize the procedure for mobility, which will be a task for the next meeting. After the exposure of the Study Commissions we conclude that InnMain needs to create a procedure with all the rules and expectations for these mobilities.

## 5. Mentoring program

Mentoring is the process in which a mentor ("master") helps a mentee ("trainee") to develop its full potential: physical, psychological, social, employment, etc.

Mentoring is important in education because in fact every teacher is a mentor (positive or negative). Consistency is essential in education: consistency between

what we say and what we do, between what we think and what we say, etc.

On the other hand it highlights the fact that all sections in a school have an educational effect on students (also positive or negative): The way we handle things, how we relate with people, how we take care of facilities, etc.

In this workshop all participants shared their experiences in their own institutions.



Arturo and Ilse were responsible for carrying out the summary of the submissions.

## 6. Educational innovation

Professor Dr. Umit Sahranc (Kocaeli University, Faculty of Education) gave us a presentation about Educational Innovation. After that, the participating institutions presented examples of innovation in their institutions.

For us innovation means to open new avenues and new services in the educational world, carried out in a different manner. This demands a special motivation, a dynamic character, restless and the will to do battle and discover new opportunities,

where in principle they are at this time obstacles.

InnMain promotes and facilitates internal improvement processes within the participating organizations. Mainly through: Internationalization

(share good and bad experiences); Training (for teachers and principals); Quality (management of the innovations); Fitness (constant flow of information); and Communication (being national benchmarks).



Mr. Mehmet Turabi and Mr. Egemen Mert

## 7. Visit to Izmit Technical School and other visits

The group visited the workshops and the training rooms of the Technical and Vocational Highschool of Izmit: an example of commitment with society. They also visited

Hyunday Factory and the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects. Finally they could listen a presentation of the Chamber of Industry & ABIGEM.



“THE MORE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS ARE STRONGER, THE MORE OUR INDUSTRIES ARE GETTING HIGHER”.

Özcan Bedel



## 8. Istanbul trip

Outside of the official program, those who wished could take a guided tour to

Istanbul, organized by the Turkish hosts.

They visited the Topkapi Palace, the Hagia Sophia Museum, the Great Blue Mosque, the Grand Bazaar and the Egyptian Bazaar. They could also take a ride on the Bosphorus boat, which highlighted some of the hidden abilities of some partici-

pants...

A splendid end of three days of intense work.



Leonardo Pinna explains the TOI projects and details of others Leonardo Projects.

“Walker, the path becomes walking”

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## InnMain participants and friends...



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Some of the images that the organizers have sent encouraging us to attend

## Next meeting in Konya

The third meeting of InnMain will be held in Konya on the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of May. On this occasion the topics are:

- Exchange of good teaching practices
- Strategies on how to make attractive maintenance studies
- The organization of the students mobility
- Business, Chambers of Commerce and training

Unlike other times, this time the study subjects have been distributed. Thus, each session will be led by two or three organizations.

The work meeting will take

place at Dedaman Konya Hotel & Convention Center, which is in Selcuklu Konya.

To complete the work meeting we could visit one of the most important companies of the country.

Outside the programme, the organizers have prepared a tour of the city that promises to be very interesting: among other places we will visit the ruins of Chatal Huyuck (considered the origin of urbanization), Chair (the first monastery in the world), and the Museum of Mevlana (a symbol of compassion and respect for other cultures and beliefs).

As always, apart of InnMain

partners, friends and guests are welcomed! It will be an unforgettable meeting.

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