

# THE INMAIN BULLETIN

## Meeting in Bergen op Zoom–The Netherlands

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POINTS OF INTEREST :

- > Students are protagonists
- > Innovation as a key point in education
- > Being focused in excellence
- > Preparing future projects
- > Approaching to the profile of Maintenance Technician



### GETTING IN TOUCH WITH EXCELLENCE



**Markiezaat has got several times the price for the best school in Brabant**

If we had to summarize in one sentence what has happened these days here in Bergen op Zoom, no doubt that the sentence would be this one: we have been in touch with excellence.

Excellence is not the result of an economic investment, or by concentrating the world's top professionals. What we have seen here in The Markiezaat College is a real teamwork, a group of professionals who are committed to excellence, starting with the head and ending with each one of the people involved in

the institution.

Principals, teachers, students and administration work committed to excellence: no one is left out of this task. The key, the secret to succeed are the little things.

This is the conclusion: if you want to make a great institution, take care of the



**Every component is in its place, and there is a place for every component.**

**And when a student takes one, he knows its value!**

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### THE MAYOR OF BERGEN OP ZOOM WELCOMES INNMAIN PARTICIPANTS

Mayor Han Polman of Bergen op Zoom came to the Markiezaat College to the opening ceremony of the meeting.

In the speech he stressed the importance of supporting vocational training to respond to the labour market demands. He appointed that we are tack-

ling important challenges in Europe at the present time, not only because of the economical situation but also for the birth rate. According to him, one of the most important aims in Vocational Training is to establish quality networks of companies, schools and official bodies with the same objectives.



**Mayor Han Polman of Bergen op Zoom with the Director of Markiezaat College and the President of InnMain.**

## INNOVATION IN EDUCATION



Mr. Joost de Jong, Principal of Markiezaat College, welcomes the participants in the meeting

The meeting started with a magnificent lecture from **Mr. Andries Boer**.

Speaking clearly and from a very professional standpoint he tackled the complex issue of innovation.



Andries is giving the conference

The core of his message was focused on the idea that in an institution everybody becomes an asset for innovation.

*“Most ideas in organizations are not made by specific working groups or think tanks. The ideas come daily from the employees at work. Generating ideas is a craft. When organizations are able to increase the innovative climate, they are able to innovate continuously”.*



After the conference the participants met in small groups to discuss some questions: what is the most important innovation in your personal life? How can we share innovations within our partnership?

“WHAT WE  
PUT IN  
YOUR  
TRAINING  
IS MORE  
THAN KNOW-  
HOW.

IT'S  
PASSION”

*Andries Boer*

## PROFILE OF MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

**Mr. Manfred van de Kreeke** was the person responsible for giving the second conference. On this occasion he explained the Pile-Up project.

He talked about the aims



of the project, which could be transferred in the future for developing future projects in InnMain, as Pile Up is focused in developing units of learning outcomes based on ECVET methodology.

Finally he explained what are the Learning Outcomes, the ECVET basics and how to deal with a TOI project.



One of the aims of InnMain for the future can be to work in the definition of a European profile of the Maintenance Technician and the Maintenance Supervisor.

## THE FUTURE OF INNMAIN

During the afternoon of the first day, responsible of all the institutions discussed about the terms of the future Cooperation Agreement which will give

life to new Association InnMain.

Meanwhile, led by **Mr. Wim Appels** the teachers discussed about the pro-

file of Maintenance Technicians and visited some of the workshops and facilities of the Markiezaat College.



Wim, the Coordinator



**STUDENTS IN ACTION!**

During the second day there were presentations led by students and teachers of Markiezaat College with some competitions that tested the ability of the teachers.

At the end of the meeting



Some students explained the workshops

all the participants agreed on this statement: this activity was the best one of the whole meeting: the students are a living example of the educational work done in Markiezaat.



“WE ARE NOT SPECIAL PEOPLE.  
OUR CHALLENGE IS TO DISCOVER THE GREATNESS OF THE ORDINARY LIFE”

*Antonio Mir*

**VISIT TO THE AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE TRAINING SCHOOL**



In a different campus, behind to Woensdrecht airport the Markiezaat College has the Aircraft Maintenance Training school.

During the visit the participants were

able to analyze the educational system applied in the case of aviation, where safety and accuracy standards are the highest. They could also visit the hangars and the different workshops.

Markiezaat College is accredited to give the European certification for maintenance: it is one of the few centers authorized for doing it.



Visiting the hangar workshop

## VISITS TO PHILIP MORRIS FACTORY

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During the second day, the participants visited this amazing company which has a steady agreement with the Markiezaat College for the students going there for doing practices and internships.

Afterwards the closing ceremony took place, when certificates and presents were given for all.



## NEXT MEETING IN VALENCIA (SPAIN)



Some images of Valencia, the city of light and music

The last meeting of the Leonardo Partnership InnMain will be held in Valencia, Spain, on the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of May 2012.

On this occasion, the most important event will be the signature of the Cooperation Agreement that will represent the born of a new organization, as a result of these two years of work and atmosphere of camaraderie.

Like in other meetings there will be also a Lecture of an expert about the topic: "The Strategic Plan in educative organizations".

Another important event of this meeting will be the constitution of the Technical Departments, which



meeting in Valencia. Bring a lot of ideas and proposals!

Of course not everything will work: there will be time to enjoy leisure and of course to prove Valencian paella.

will be the drivers of future initiatives within InnMain. So from now we want to invite many teachers to attend the

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The Spanish delegation in Bergen op Zoom with Heleen and Jan



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