# Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoșani (RO)

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## Description of the organisation

Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani - Technical secondary school, is located in the RO11 North East Region, in the city of Botoşani, Romania. The school has many economical and social partners. Also, the school is part of the technical schools network which benefited from the Phare program through which these schools were given performance equipment. Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani provides technical education and training for the technology and theoretical profiles.

The school has a total of 722 students, between 14 and 19 years old in the secondary education and over in the tertiary level, 47 teachers, 10 auxiliary teaching staff, 18 non-teaching staff. Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoșani is VET unit expertise in textile and leather priority, providing professional and methodological assistance to other schools in the county conducting training in textile and leather.

Many teachers from this school are training teachers, participating in European Projects inside and outside of Romania.

They have competencies in elaborating of training and didactic materials, in quality assurance of education, developing innovative didactical materials to increase motivation for reading of all students, addressing multilingual classrooms through methods building on diverse language skills alongside the main language of instruction. Some treachers are members of the National Curriculum Commission.

The teachers from our school organize activities for all types of students and all types of intelligences using different methods for each student learning style and each intelligence implementing the MI theory. Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani is training over 50% students with learning difficulties, students at the risk of school abandonment, from poor or single parent families. The school has a psychological adviser and many educational projects in order to prevent the dropping out from school.

The school is implementing the quality assurance system, has a commission who is responsible for and the headmaster coordinate it.

### Experience of the organization in previous European projects

European Study Visit, SV-07-R2-BT-1, "Development of quality of schools in Lower Saxony", individual mobility, Achihăiței Mihaela Cornelia, Hanover – Germany, 2008, financed by National Agency from Romania.

Leonardo da Vinci, LLP-LdV/VETPRO/2008/RO/021, "Initial and continuous training of teachers for an European quality education", mobility project, 10 inspectors from County School Inspectorate was participated, one being teacher from Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani, I.U.F.M. de l'Académie de Lyon, France, 2009, financed by National Agency from Romania.

Grundtvig Programme, GRU-09-MOF-221-BT-UK, Content and Language integrated learning (CLIL) - math and science individual mobility, Vreme Iuliana, Exeter/Great Britain, 2009, financed by National Agency from Romania.

Leonardo da Vinci, LLP-LdV/PLM/2009/RO/061, «School inspection in Europe – unity and diversity for a quality education», Académie de Nancy-Metz, France, 2010, financed by National Agency from Romania, Achihăiţei Mihaela Cornelia – school inspector, teacher from Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani was participated.

Study visit, 10-SV-R2-183-BT, "Cross-border mobility in vocational education", individual mobility, Aalborg-Denmark, 2011, Achihăiţei Mihaela Cornelia – school inspector, teacher from Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani was participated, financed by National Agency from Romania.

Leonardo da Vinci, LLP-LdV/VETPRO/2011/RO/142, "Innovative Practices for Quality Improvement in Vocational Education and Training", Florence, Italy, organized by Pixel, financed by National Agency from Romania, 10 teachers from Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoşani was participated.

Comenius – multilateral project, 11 – PM – 857 – BT – BE, 2011 (Romania, Belgium, Portugal, Finland, Greece), "Eco-responsible? Yes, we can!", financed by National Agency from Belgium.

Comenius Project KA4, "School Safety Net", No. 531028-LLP-1-2012-1-IT-KA4-KA4MP contractor CIPAT (Corsorzio Istituti Professionnali Associati Toscani, Italia), partners from Italy, Romania, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Greece, Turkey.

# Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area

Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botosani is VET unit expertise in textile and leather priority, providing professional and methodological assistance to other schools in the county conducting training in textile and leather. Many teachers from this school are training teachers, participating in European Projects inside and outside of Romania. They have competencies in elaborating of training and didactic materials, in quality assurance of education, developing innovative didactical materials to increase motivation for reading of all students, addressing multilingual classrooms through methods building on diverse language skills alongside the main language of instruction.

The teachers from our school organize activities for all types of students and all types of intelligences using different methods for each student learning style and each intelligence implementing the MI theory. Every

year, teachers propose a school curricula, adapted at the new requested on the labor market, working with the enterprise and community representatives.

More than 15 years ago the school started a methodology innovation process, starting the Student Centred Learning, Multiple Intelligences, e-Learning tools. Between 2012-2014 more than 20 teachers participated in the School Safety Net Comenius Project were they elaborated Reviews of Training and Educational Material, Reviews of Publications on the issue of early school leaving, Guidelines for policy makers, head teachers, teachers, students and parents, school leaders and Key Policy Makers, Case Studies on early school leaving with related strategies to solve them using the project platform http://schoolsafetynet.pixel-online.org/. The staff involved in this project have all consistent experiences in European Project and in the field that cover this project: addressing underachievement in the basic skills of maths, science and literacy through more effective, innovative teaching methods, boost motivation towards learning by mean of a more attractive learning methodology, address Early School Leaving problem.

### Contributions that can be provided to the project

Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botosani will be in charge of organizing and supporting the following activities:

- Analysis of the National Curriculum requirements.
- Design, development of the Learner Tasks, Teacher Guidelines
- Pilot test of the learner tasks in their school.
- Translation of the Intellectual Outputs.
- Recording and edition of videos of the pilot phase.
- Revision of the products and final version.
- Dissemination of the Project by mean of the network in which it takes part.

## Reasons of involvement in the project

Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" from Botoşani county has experience in all project topics, such us: Key Competences (incl. mathematics and literacy) - basic skills, Early School Leaving / combating failure in education and New innovative curricula/educational methods/development of training courses. We identified the needs of our teachers and students and we consider that this project will produce results useful for them. In the other hand, we consider that we have experience and expertise to:

- design teaching and training methodologies and curricula
- compare and make analysis of the curricula
- design Guidelines for teachers about PBL (Problem Based Learning) Methodology and Multiple Intelligence theory.
- develop resources to train the teachers in the new methodologies.
- develop didactical materials (following the PBL Methodology and MI Theory) to be used in class.
- produce videos showing all the process and the students and teachers working with the new methodologies
- organize National and International Multipliers events.
- organize training activity in Problem Based Learning Methodology and Multiple Intelligence for Teachers of the partner schools.
- organize learning activities for students in other partner schools.

# **Contact Person's Experience and Expertise**

- 1. Achihăiței Mihaela Cornelia Person responsible for the project management (contact person) Teacher at Liceul "Alexandru cel Bun" Botoșani, first degree in education, graduated in Textile and Leather engineering and Master in Educational Management, school inspector from 2007 to 2013. Skills and competencies
- Project manager/local coordinator:
- Comenius Project "School Safety Net", 2012-2014
- Leonardo da Vinci European Project, "Innovative Practices for Quality Improvement in Vocational Education and Training", 2012
- Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development, MISS Graduates on the labor market insertion and Matching Education and labor market Project, applicant School Inspectorate from Iasi.
- Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development, "Correlation of the educational offer with the labour market" Project, applicant Romanian Ministry of Education.
- Individual Consultant in ROSE Project (Romanian Secundary Education Project), coordinated by Romanian Ministry of Education http://proiecte.pmu.ro/web/guest/rose
- Teacher trainer in Quality Education Domain http://oldsite.edu.ro/index.php/articles/14746
- Expert in education (member of National Body Experts in Education) http://cneme.edu.ro/rezportofolii-final.php?jud=BOTO%C5%9EANI

- Expert in Quality Assurance at the Quality Assurance National Agency (ARACIP)
- Member of the Ministry of Education Body Control
- Coordinator of Technical Teaching Department
- Methodist teacher of the Local School Inspectorate
- Mentor for Vocational Schools in the Local Rural Area- mentor for teacher from technical schools network -Vocational Schools in the Local Rural Area
- Students and parents adviser
- Students programs organizing and students projects coordinating
- Member of the staff involved in intercultural education or working with children of migrant workers, gypsies and travelers, and occupational travelers;
- Member of the staff working with pupils with special educational needs in the national program for students dropped out of school or early school leaving (including gypsies), named "The second chance"
- Member of the National Curriculum Commission.

Skills covered by training:

- participating in European projects (LLP Grundtvig, Firenze Italy, 2007 European Project Planning, Study visit, Hanover Germany, 2008 and Aalborg-Denmark, 2011, Leonardo da Vinci, Lyon-France, 2009 and Nancy-France, 2010)
- European project planning (Pixel certificate)
- Educational Management Master
- project manager (certificate)
- improving quality in education certificate
- Using TIC, CAD and AEL 3.1 software (Educational Assistant for High Schools) certificate
- trainer for School development and improvement of School Action Plan (certificate)
- teacher- trainer for Inclusion (certificate)
- teacher- trainer for Demand Educational Planning (certificate)
- Designing School Curricula for students with special needs (certificate)
- learning from experience, communication and feed back, interactive teaching strategies and methods, group dynamic, Self knowledge and communication, Values and decision taking (certificate from "Young for Young Foundation" and CCD Botoşani, financed by USAID (United States Agency for International Development)
- Local Specialist Trainer for School Development: in PHARE TVET Program (WYG IMC Consulting)
- -Teacher Trainer for School Development
- Teacher Trainer for Student Centered Learning
- Teacher Trainer for Individual Learning for Integrating the Students with Special Educational Needs
- Management of class, Pedagogy and communication (certificate)
- First Degree in Education (certificate)
- Textile engineer (diploma)
- Work on the Internet portals (on-line courses)
- Member of Evaluation and Quality Assurance Commission
- Designing National School Curricula
- Planning school curricula for optional courses, for students with special needs
- Designing the technical department Action Plan and the content of the professional activities
- Designing Local Action Plan 2011-2020 (PLAI 2011-2020 Botosani

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- Designing test for the graduation examination and national contests
- Designing procedures to improve quality in education, as member of School Evaluation and Quality Assurance Commission