**About MOBILE**

**MOBILE - MOBility In Learning in Europe (2013-2015)** is a European funded international project promoting European work exchange experiences for young people and providing training and support for teachers and enterprises. The aim of the project is to create useful tools to improve the development, implementation and follow-up of work experiences across Europe.

The MOBILE project aims to enhance opportunities to develop personal and professional growth during overseas work experience through dedicated and appropriate training for all those involved in the mobility: students, teachers and work-based mentors.

**The project value...**

The partnership includes 8 educational institutions and organisations from Belgium, Germany, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. The consortium is committed to international mobility paths and work placements, and each partner brings different and complementary skills and experiences to create the most useful training for all involved in European mobilities. Through regular meetings with trainers, teachers, mentors and learners, new training programs will be developed in order to ensure the quality of international exchanges, as well as improve competences and skills of the actors involved. Moreover, a certification system will be adopted in order to ensure the suitability of the stakeholders involved in international mobilities.

**Milestones: 2 meetings organised, 3rd meeting planned...**

During two transnational meetings in Aachen and Doncaster, the partners made a big step forward in their work on the planned results of the project, including the aforementioned training programmes. The 3rd meeting is planned for 27-28th of November and will be located in Sopot, Poland. In addition to regular partner meetings, mini-conference for teachers and employers will be organised, as was previously done in Germany and the UK.

Guests from Poland will be invited to share their opinions as practitioners and decision makers, and to give their recommendation regarding the proposed MOBILE training programmes. They will be invited to participate in a series of workshops regarding key MOBILE outcomes: Competence Cards, Handbook of Resources & Tools as well as Teacher, Mentor and Learner Training programmes.
The MOBILE partners are highly experienced in working with the target group. Many of them have carried out European and local projects in the framework of education, mobility, and labour market training. Some partners send and receive learners from different countries regularly and share these experiences with the MOBILE consortium. **In the near future, MOBILE will offer a common European quality system focusing on learners and also on teachers from both sending and receiving organisations and the companies that offer the work placement.**

**News from Spain...**

One of MOBILE Partners – TOMILLO Fundacion had its 6th edition of the Leonardo da Vinci Mobility Project with 14 students of different courses (e.g. Administration, Computer Microsystems and Networks, Catering and Cook, Electricity and Electronics). These students were recently hosted in London and Turin. The experience was successful for all of them, as they were able to complete their training programmes at different levels. Those over 18 years old were hosted by Italian families for 7 weeks. The group under 18 were accommodated in a rented flat and lived with a teacher for 4 weeks. They all said the experience was great and would want to go again soon!

**News from the UK...**

European students who volunteer from Germany, Latvia, Poland and Spain were visiting Doncaster College as a part of another project - VOLARE (Volunteering Actions for the Reinsertion into Education), which explores the benefits of volunteering. Students from each country inspired one another by sharing information about their accomplishments in their home countries. Amongst other respectable endeavours, students from Germany volunteered their time teaching football. In Latvia, students brought Christmas joy to elderly homes and proved that laughter is the best medicine, volunteering as Clown Therapists at children’s hospitals. Student's hand-knitted scarves and held food drive pilots within Poland’s communities so homeless people could keep warm in the winter. Spanish students from seaside Gijon, stated that they were excited to partake in this week’s inspiring activities to learn more from their European neighbours about volunteering. The collection of students are from different parts of the world, however are in unison with their goals to improve their home nations through charitable acts!