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Assessing voluntary experience (AVE) in a professional perspective

Leonardo da Vinci programme (2003-2006)



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Presentation

- Assessing Voluntary Experience
- Portfolio: Implementation



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Assessing Voluntary Experience

- No one treats voluntary work in this way
 - It is completely new that it can be measured and described
- No direct relation between voluntary and professional work
 - Voluntary is perceived as kindness
 - Being helpful is the reason of undertaking voluntary work



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Assessing Voluntary Experience

- Lack of awareness that voluntary work can be a way of improving qualifications
 - It can be changed in the future
- Huge unemployment
 - „+” voluntary gives opportunity to gain some experience
 - „-” voluntary does not help in getting job, because there is no job



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Implementation

- Portfolio as a standard in Regional Voluntary Centre activity
- Part of training for coordinators and volunteers



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Voluntary Centre Network

In Poland we have
12 Regional Voluntary Centers
and
about 50 local centers



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Volunteer Centre Network

12 Centres in Poland

Volunteer Job Exchange Offices

Training for volunteers and coordinators of volunteers

Thematic volunteer programmes

Assistance in Volunteer Bureau establishment

Consultations on social programme development and implementation





- Seminary about AVE for members of Network
- Distributing Portfolios and Guides

Coordinators NGO



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In every organization there is one person responsible for volunteers
– volunteer's coordinator
(trained by VC)



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Volunteers

Portfolio –
part of a training
for volunteers



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