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Introducing ISO CONSTRUCT project

The ISO CONSTRUCT aims at the challenging situation in the Euro-pean construction sector, which is playing an im-portant role in the EU economy and is defined by mainly low skilled and unskilled workers.

Very often these people have been trained on the job in their company, don't have any formal qualification and there-fore have nearly no possi-bilities to find a new job. For these profes-sions / workers the cur-rent discussions around accreditation and recog-nition of competences and skills within the

EQF and NQFs do not offer any appropriate solution since all ap-proaches for recognition and accreditation of pro-fessional competences and qualifications are aiming at EQF level 3 and higher.

For lower levels of skills no such mechanisms and systems are provided by most of the VET sys-tems in Europe. This leads to the fact that it is not possible to recognise competences gained through non formal and informal learning in daily working life for these professions leading into a hindered mobility of

workforce and lowest chances on the labour market during crisis times.

Aware of this, the pro-ject ISO CONSTRUCT is aiming at providing low skilled or unskilled workers in the construc-tion sector with an ap-proach for certification of their personal profes-sional skills and compe-tences (mainly acquired through on the job train-ing and other non-formal or informal ways) on the basis of the worldwide recognised approach of the norm ISO 17024:2003.



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## *Kick off meeting in Leoben (Austria)*

On November 19th-20th, the ISO CONSTRUCT partners met in Leoben, Austria for the Kick-off Meeting. In this meeting all partners introduced themselves and were given an overview of the project and of each work Package.

The next steps will be the definition of the competences required as low skilled (helping) worker in the construction sector. Therefore, the required competences for the following

professional categories will be in detail analyzed: **bricklayer, carpenter and concrete worker**. This will be performed by all involved project partners on the basis of a desk research in combination with a field study. As a result, 5 National competence matrix will be developed.

## *Upcoming Events*

The next Project Meeting will be held in Kerpen (Germany), the 28th – 29th April 2014, where the European Competence matrix for basic skills for the bricklayer, carpenter and concrete worker professions will be finished.

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