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DEVELOPMENT OF KEY COMPETENCES OF UNEMPLOYED ADULTS

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The five European consumer associations, Federconsumatori Piemonte in Italy, Consumer Defence Association of Moravia and Silesia, Union of Working Consumers of Greece, Lithuanian National Consumer Federation and Association of Consumer Organizations in Slovakia accepted the European Commission's call for Erasmus +(no. 2018-1-SK01-KA204-046393) in the field of Strategic Partnerships and started to implement common project to promote innovation, exchange of experience and know-how between different types of organizations.

The aim of the common project is to create and verify an innovative educational program called **Development of the Key Competences of Adults by Innovative Program of Consumer Education**. The training program is designed for a target group of unemployed adult individuals up to 29 years of age who are characterized as a risk group with prematurely terminated secondary school and with lack of qualifications and skills.

The program will be based on examining the motivation of educated people to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary for the everyday life of consumers and their current knowledge and experience. In order to encourage adults in their ability to learn and develop their key competencies, educational program have to create an attractive contents from daily consumer's life and use interactive forms of learning.

Within the project, indicators will be developed to assess the development of key competences of the educated. The quality of the training program will be in the end verified on the sample of the target group. In accordance with the requirements of the ERASMUS program, the educational program will have open access to public and will be available on the websites of all participating organizations.

The implementation of the project will enable educators to exchange adult education experiences and to expand the outputs of the project to schools, universities, other institutions, pupils, parents, and all consumers.

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