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Project: Aging well: don't hesitate, be active!



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Who is your partner?

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We are new for the partnership

The Bulgarian partner is Vocational training centre at Veliko Tarnovo Regional Union of Worker producers co-operatives

- one of the oldest training centres for additional qualification
- established as long ago as 1973 with a Decree by the Minister of Labour and Social Services.
- renamed several times when in 2003 received its present name
- Licensed by the National Agency for Vocational Education and Training
- the centre offers vocational training to adults for 24 different professions

Where are we from?



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Gabrovo city is situated in the centre of Bulgaria, at the Northern foothills of Stara planina mountain





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Types of courses we offer

We offer more than 20 training courses for acquiring a profession or additional qualification:

- Electric technicians,
- plumbers,
- elevator fitters,
- cooks, barmen, waitors
- builders, painters,
- crane and motor-car operators,
- cosmeticians, masseurs, hair-dressers,
- home appliances technicians, etc

Training courses



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Target groups



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- mainly people from Gabrovo and Veliko Tarnovo regions.
- unemployed people,
- young people who need additional qualifications,
- elderly people who have lost their job and is hard to find a new one due to labour market changes,
- people without education or with no job for a very long time, etc. Since many of our trainees are people from marginal and risk groups, very often the meaning of our work is not only to train them, but also to reassure them. Through our trainings we provide them with new social contacts, new friends among their future colleagues.

How we work?



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train-motivate-reassure

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TRAINEES PER YEARS



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No.	Year	Number trained students
1.	2000	302
2.	2001	351
3.	2002	422
4.	2003	327
5.	2004	292
6.	2005	399
7.	2006	306
8.	2007	225
9.	2008	555
10.	2009	203
11.	2010	143
12.	2011	146
13	until 10.2012	236

Projects



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1. During the last three years we worked actively under projects of the Employment Agency financed by Human Resource Development Operational Programme.
2. Close cooperation with the Labour Office under the Programs for Temporary Employment and Improvement of Unemployed people's qualifications

Projects



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We trained adults and seniors to improve their key competences, acquire a new profession or receive a chance for career development under the following projects:

No.	Operational Program "Human resource development"	Number trained students
1.	"I can more"	31
2.	"Development"	63
3.	"Adaptation"	8



Projects



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- For the project BG 2005/017-353.01.02-1.09 “New Chance – Establishing a Centre for Family Support and Counselling”, the role of the centre was to train single mothers for the professions: **"Beautician", "Masseur", "Hairdresser", and "Computerized Hair Shaping"**
- We managed to encourage them to find realization on the labour market and be independent financially.

Projects



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“Beautiful Bulgaria” project - we trained unemployed people in the building profession.



Trained adults under Beautiful Bulgaria project



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No.	Year	Number trained adults
1	2001	140
2	2002	100
3	2003	60
4	2004	30
5	2005	30
6	2006	30
7	2007	30
8	2008	30
9	2009	30
10	2010	12

OUR AIM AND EXPECTATIONS FOR THE PROJECT



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TO SUPPORT THE ACTIVE AND DIGNIFIED LIFE OF
ELDERLY PEOPLE BY:

- trainings – ICT and languages
- to socialize them by meeting them with their EU peers in order to exchange ideas and experience



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Thank you for the attention!

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