## TRANSNATIONAL COOPERATION (TNC)

## **PROJECT FICHE**

Before filling in this form, first think what you want to achieve by transnational cooperation.

You will need a few minutes to complete this fiche then.

Remember: the better your description is, the bigger chance to find a proper partner for your project!

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Member State:	Belgium
Region (NUTS 2 or 3) <sup>1</sup> :	Level 3, code 4, NUTS code BE2
Stage of implementation: (tick the right answer):	<ul> <li>Project Idea (projects in preparation phase without grant awarded)</li> <li>Project under implementation</li> </ul>
Title of the Project:	SocialICTassist
Approximate budget of the project:	.250.000 EUR
Budget of transnational activities:	25.000 EUR
<b>Duration of the project</b> – starting date (in months):	From. 01/09/2012to 31/12/2014
Duration of the transnational activities within the project – starting date (in months):  Thematic scope <sup>2</sup> of the project (tick the right answer – maximum 2):	From 01/09/2012to 31/12/2014  Workers and new skills  Businesses undergoing change  V Access to employment and social inclusion  Education and training

 $<sup>^1\,</sup> See\ list\ of\ regions\ on\ http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/nuts\_nomenclature/introduction$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: ESF web page on <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/esf/home.jsp?langld=en">http://ec.europa.eu/esf/home.jsp?langld=en</a>









Women and jobs Fighting discrimination Working in partnership Better public services Others (please specify) Target group (final beneficiaries, Unemployed Other persons: o Long term unemployed o Ethnic or national minorities not stakeholders) for transnational Persons not actively at work Immigrants Ex-offenders cooperation (tick the right answer): Including those who are learning Persons from deprived rural areas in school or university Persons from deprived urban neighbourhoods V Employed Children Farmers Women 0 Self employed Young people (under 25 years old) Ω Employed in micro enterprises Older persons (over 50 years old) (less than 10 employees) Persons with mental or physical Employed in small enterprises disabilities (between 10 and 50 employees) Enterprises<sup>3</sup> covered by support Employed in SMEs (between 50 Social enterprises and 250 employees) Micro enterprises (less than 10 Employed in big enterprises (over employees) 250 employees) Small enterprises (between 10 and 50 Employed in public employees) administration (public entities SMEs (between 50 and 250 including Public Employment employees) services) Employed in NGOs Big enterprises (over 250 employees) Administration (public entities In particularly disadvantaging X including Public Employment conditions services, education and training NGOs (Associations, Foundations) institutions)

## Brief description of the Transnational cooperation:

1. **Problems to be solved** (justification of the need of the transnational cooperation)

## Terminology:

ICT = Information and Communication Technology

Price setters = workers involved in "pricing used products for reselling"

In Flanders/Belgium there are about 30 recognized non-profit organisations involved in recovery (and energy-cutting) activities. They are at the same time work experience companies for "people with a distance to the labour market or with certain disabilities".

Quite a percentage of their labour force is involved in "pricing used products for reselling" (estimated total number of employees involved is over thousand in Flanders only).

This is a stressful job while pricing is not evident and the variation of goods is enormous.

As to cooperation we could formulate the following very concrete question:

- Are there any organisations involved in the same kind of activity in Poland and can we in joint development elaborate a tool to support their labour force involved in "pricing used products for reselling" (price setters)?
- Added value of transnational cooperation: Learn whether the rolling out of the developed system (dissemination) is possible in another context then the Belgian one.

In regard to this concrete question, we could formulate two questions (\*) on another level where transnational cooperation would be valuable while looking for the answer:









<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See definition by size on Europa: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/sme/facts-figures-analysis/sme-definition/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/sme/facts-figures-analysis/sme-definition/index\_en.htm</a>

	- Is it possible to support "people with a distance to the labour market or with certain disabilities" via ICT (Information and Communication Technology) in the performance of their job? (jointly discovering concrete situations, insights,)
	- Can the sector of non-profit organisations involved in recovery (and energy-cutting) activities in a cross-country setting (Poland-Belgium) learn from one another?
2.	Objectives to be achieved SocialAssistICT would seek to support price setters in the execution of their job via an ICT-solution where knowledge and expertise on prices and pricing certain types of goods would be centralised as a quick and efficient help for the worker who needs to decide on a certain price
3.	Main transnational activities (as provisionally planned, to be confirmed with partners)  Joint Development. It should be discussed with the potential Polish partner whether the pricing difficulties also exist within its organisation. In this case we would opt for a joint development.  Also the above mentioned 2 other questions (*) can be discussed and included in the Project Idea.
4.	Planned outputs, deliverables, results of TNC; expected outcomes (effects)
	SocialAssistICT will develop, test and embed an ICT-tool that will enable service providers of the non-profit organisations involved in recovery activities to support "vulnerable workers" while doing their pricing job. This ICT solution will lower the stress of the workers, make the job accessible for a broader group of employee profiles, will lower absenteeism, will increase job satisfaction,
	SocialAssist ICT will find out whether ICT-tools in general can be of added value to the target group of "people with a distance to the labour market or with certain disabilities" and to which extend and how they can be trained to work with these tools.
	SocialAssist ICT will bring together non-profit organisations involved in recovery (and energy-cutting) activities across country borders and enable them to learn from one another.









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