

DYNOT Project – A Dynamic Online Tool for Guidance

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Background to DYNOT project

DYNOT is a Leonardo da Vinci funded project which is led by the Institute for Research Qualifications and Training of the Austrian Economy (IBW) based in Vienna. The project began in 2005 and has a duration of 2 years with the project due to conclude in August 2007

The DYNOT project aims to essentially provide up to date information on ICT industry job roles for guidance professionals, businesses and individuals. The pilot project has a particular focus on the ICT industry as it is a highly innovative economic sector where knowledge, skills and competencies frequently change due to regular technical innovation. The DYNOT project partnership aims to create a dynamic online tool to enable individuals and organisations to monitor and keep abreast with any such changes easily.

The project partnership

The project partners include organisations from 7 different EU nation states with the developed product translated into the following languages:

German, English, Bulgarian, Greek, Lithuanian and Dutch respectively

How the tool actually works

Each of the project partners source information on various ICT professions from Computer Games Developers to Web Designers. The information for each profession is provided by ICT professionals and experts in each respective partner countries.

Thus, the online resource brings together knowledge, skills and the wider competences of ICT jobs both nationally and internationally. Individuals can access information directly online and discover the standards and training required to work in quite specific ICT roles / positions both nationally and across Europe.

The information provided for each profession in detail:

- Type of training available
- The formal requirements required to enter training
- Essential Qualifications (at which academic level)
- A description of the role / profession
- Typical day in the life

A list of skill areas are also identified by experts and rated in terms of their relevance and importance to the role. Finally, there is also an option for direct comparison to examine the requirements, similarities and differences between roles in each partner country. In an increasingly competitive global economy with an increasingly mobile

European labour market this ability to compare and contrast roles across Europe should be of interest to both business and individuals alike.

Target Groups

The primary focus for the usage of the online tool is towards the guidance community and business however the tool would be equally useful and accessible to individuals planning their own career path. The involvement of business is crucial to the maintenance of the project beyond the projects life cycle.

The project will foster the involvement of business throughout the project enabling ICT experts to access and modify requirements on an ongoing basis. Thus the online resource will be continually updated via employer involvement and usage keeping the information as relevant and as up-to-date as possible.

Dissemination Activity (present and planned)

In terms of dissemination the project has been brought to the attention of many small to medium sized UK ICT companies and this work is ongoing. Further involvement and discussions have taken place with the sector skills council for IT and Telecoms (E-Skills) and other Learning and Skills Councils (LSCs). There has also been significant involvement with careers guidance professionals particularly within the city of Bradford. The process of dissemination has been an ongoing process throughout the duration of the project and this continues

Web address

For access to the DYNOT homepage please see the following web address:

www.dynot.net

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