

## DEVELOPING EUROPEAN MOBILITY OF PEOPLE IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING AUVERGNE REGION (FRANCE)

The Regional Council of Auvergne is a regional authority located in the French Massif Central. Its main fields of activities are economic development, regional planning, regional transports, education and vocational training.

The Regional Council of Auvergne has launched a European project (co-funded through the European Social Fund) entitled "Regional Scheme for the Development of European Mobility". The objective of the project is to **develop the mobility of people in vocational training** (incoming and outgoing mobility) through the **support of vocational training centres and career guidance centres** in the development of their mobility projects (placements, exchanges, etc.).

**73 training centres in Auvergne** have joined our Mobility Scheme. They are **from all sectors** (agriculture, industry, tourism, hotels and catering, building industry, trade, secretarial work, communication and other branches of the tertiary sector, as well as career guidance services) and include :

- Vocational secondary schools,
- Centres for apprenticeship,
- Continuous vocational training centres (for young people and adults),
- "Missions locales" (personal, social, educational and career guidance services for youngsters from 16 to 26 who have left the school system).

Each centre has chosen a "**mobility coordinator**" who is in charge of **developing mobility projects** (according to their choice: placements of trainees abroad, hosting foreign trainees in Auvergne companies, exchanges of professional practices between trainees, exchanges of practices between trainers, etc.). Some are experienced, others are "beginners".

Most of these training centres are looking for European partners, experienced or not in mobility. Through its partnership with regional authorities or public bodies responsible for VET, the Regional Council of Auvergne wishes to organize **contact visits** for mobility coordinators, so that they could **meet potential European partners in order to build future projects. We wish to organize these 3-day visits in 2012. All the costs related to this visit are to be taken over by the Regional Council of Auvergne and the European Social Fund.**

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