

## Estonia's first VET internationalization conference

on May 18, 2017

at Pärnumaa Vocational Education Centre (Niidupargi 12, Pärnu)

Moderator of the day **Ago Anderson** (*actor at Pärnu Theatre Endla*)

9.30 Registration of participants and coffee

10.00 PROLOGUE

10.05 I ACT

Let's start with the most important people in school.

**Students of Pärnumaa Vocational Education Centre** talk about their work placements abroad. The school organises learning mobility opportunities in Europe for approximately 100 students per year in the framework of Erasmus+. Germany is the most popular among their 17 receiving countries, followed by Spain and Finland. The school's average participant is 23 years old and spends 30 days on the placement abroad, the number of girls exceed boys by 12%.

11.00 II ACT

Mobility has been called the flagship of the Erasmus+ programme but the well-being and sailing aptitude of this ship depends on many people's and organisations' joint effort. The key persons from **Pärnumaa Vocational Education Centre, Tartu Vocational Education Centre, Kemmler Ltd and EUC Nordvestsjaellandist (Denmark)** talk about the charms and challenges of international student and staff mobility.

12.00 LUNCH

13.00 III ACT

The third act is dedicated to strategic development and co-operation. In the context of the Erasmus+ programme this means a ~ 2,2 million euro investment in content development of vocational education and training in international co-operation, adding to the Lifelong Learning Programme's 2,4 million euros. Representatives of **German Technological School of Pärnu, Tallinn Industrial Education Centre, Järvamaa Vocational Education Centre, Rakvere Vocational School and Berufskolleg Wipperfürthi** talk about their experiences and contribution. The panel discussion is moderated by **Sirje Ellermaa** from **Kuressaare Regional Training Centre**.





14.30 COFFEE BREAK

15.00 IV ACT

Let's broaden our focus and take a look at how internationalisation is integrated into vocational education and training in Finland and how internationalisation reflects in the context of the accreditation process in Estonia.

Presentations by **Mika Saarinen (Erasmus+ National Agency, Finland)** and **Marge Kroonmäe (Estonian Quality Agency for Higher and Vocational Education)**.

Conclusions on the subject by **Helen Põllo (Ministry of Education and Research)**.

16.30 EPILOGUE

